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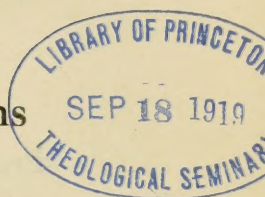
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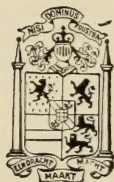
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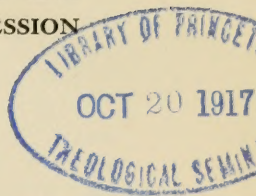
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QUOTATIONS OF
MATTERS TO WHICH THE SPECIAL ATTENTION OF
THE CHURCHES IS CALLED BY THE
GENERAL SYNOD.

THE SEMINARY AT NEW BRUNSWICK.

We recommend:

1. That General Synod commend the work done by the Seminary and endorse the broader program for the future, and wish it not only God-speed in the forward movement, but also ask the church to respond in such manner as to make the vision a reality.

WESTERN SEMINARY.

We recommend:

1. That the good work of the Seminary be commended and that the churches be urged to increase their contributions.

EDUCATION.

2. That the last Thursday or the last Sunday of January be observed throughout our churches as a Day of Prayer for Schools, Colleges and Seminaries.

7. That all our churches be strongly urged to give an annual offering to Hope College.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

1. That we express our heartfelt gratitude to God for his signal blessing upon the work.

2. That we express our deep appreciation of the labors of the officers of both Synod's and the Women's Board, for their efficient administration, and that we pledge them our support, both financially and otherwise, and especially by bearing them on the wings of prayer before the throne of grace.

3. That we earnestly commend our missionary periodicals to all our churches as indispensable means of developing a growing interest in Missions among the families of our churches.

4. That in view of the satisfactory experience we renew the recommendation that the last Sunday in February be designated as the day for the special consideration of Foreign Missions in all our churches.

5. That we continue our strong recommendation of the Every Member Canvass and the Duplex System, now in successful use in over 125 of our churches, as the best method for enlisting the financial assistance of the entire constituency of our churches in the support of the local church and the denominational agencies.

6. That as a concrete expression of our resolve we as a Board and as a church, definitely and purposefully undertake to reach the financial goal of \$325,000, fixed by recommendation of General Synod three years ago, and the two succeeding years, as our obtainable objective for the coming year.

7. That, in the midst of the turmoil of the present day and the challenge of many of the ideals of our national and religious life, we once more declare our unfaltering devotion to the fundamental and enduring things; that we stress the unselfish and spiritual elements in life's activities; and realizing that in the history of the nations and of the church, periods of political disturbance and economic distress have given birth to great spiritual enterprises, we solemnly resolve to abate nothing of our stewardship in the full maintenance of the spiritual life of our country, and especially in the contact of that life with those parts of the spiritually needy world, in which our church is represented by its faithful ambassadors. Thus shall we and must we do our part in these challenging times, to keep alive our own souls and the souls of our people.

DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

Your Committee would offer the following recommendations.

1. That acknowledgment be made to the God of all Grace, for His blessing upon the work of the Boards during the past year.

2. That, Synod herewith, record its recognition and appreciation of the work of the officers and members of the Board of Domestic Missions and the Women's Board of Domestic Missions.

3. That, hearty commendation be accorded to the members of the Boards for their presentation of the work, as given in the Reports at hand.

4. That, the members of the Synod and the Officers of the whole church be urgently requested to make a thorough study of the reports.

5. That, the Synod approve the Joint Budget for the ensuing year, viz.—\$284,200.00.

6. That, in view of the unprecedented challenge to the church in this time of great unrest and warfare, and of the coming reconstructive period, the church be summoned to give herself and substance, with a worthy Christian patriotism.

7. That, in view of the appeal of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, for co-operation by our church in the work of social service, the Board of Domestic Missions be authorized to promote such co-operation in such manner as may prove practicable.

8. That, the interest of the Classes in the Board be cultivated through the Classical Agents.

9. That, Synod expresses herewith its approval of the enlarged plan in the interests of Missionary Education and requests our Board to continue to co-operate with the other Boards.

10. That, the last Sunday in November be designated as Domestic Missions Day, and the Churches urged to observe it.

PUBLICATION.

Concerning the overtures of the Board of Directors of the Intelligencer Publishing Company, the Committee reports that conference was held with the representatives of the Intelligencer Company and the Board, with the result that it is the unanimous opinion of the Committee, that General Synod should grant the request of the Intelligencer Publishing Company, and offers as its recommendation, the following minute and resolutions as prepared by the Board's special committee:

I. General Synod has learned with sincere regret that, because of the impaired health of two editors, and increasing costs of publication, the Christian Intelligencer Association finds it impossible to continue the publication of our Church paper after July 1st, 1917, and believes that in the face of the present business conditions, the Intelligencer can no longer continue to exist as an individual enterprise.

We recognize the debt of gratitude due to those good and faithful servants of the Reformed Church in America, who, under God, have been enabled to publish for more than four score years, a paper of such character and usefulness as to be a blessing in thousands of homes and tens of thousands of hearts.

The Christian Intelligencer has been proclaiming for all these years the unsearchable riches of Christ, interpreting the spirit and genius of our denomination, and inspiring pastors, officers and people to be and to do their best for the Kingdom of God.

Its influence for good cannot be measured and we bow before the Great Head of the Church as we record this potent and beautiful service, rendered with such marked devotion and in such a self-sacrificing spirit.

II. General Synod believes that a representative church paper is so essential to the life and progress of our denomination, that it would be a real calamity to allow the Christian Intelligencer to suspend publication or to be lost to the denomination.

The work so well done in the past should be sustained and increase in power and efficiency.

The experience of other denominations justifies the statement that a church paper is more likely to succeed if published officially under the care and direction of a Board of the General Synod than

if under the control of a private corporation, no matter how devoted to the best interests of the church the latter may be.

The greatness of the task and the material difficulties alike challenge the Church to assume this high and holy obligation as a great venture of faith, counting with confidence on the guidance and blessing of God and the co-operation of all our pastors and people.

III. General Synod therefore, authorizes and instructs its "Board of Publication and Bible School Work" to accept the offer of the Christian Intelligencer Association, viz.:

A. To take over the right, title and interest of the Christian Intelligencer on July 1, 1917, with its subscription lists, advertising contracts, good will, etc., and to assume full control of the management and publication of said paper from that date.

B. To assume the indebtedness of the \$4,500, note to the Drury Estate, according to the offer made, that is to pay the sum of \$400 per annum instead of interest, for a period of nine years (total \$3,600); said payments to begin July 1, 1918.

IV. General Synod expresses its enthusiastic approval of the Board's selection of Dr. William P. Bruce, to be the editor-in-chief of the Christian Intelligencer, and unqualifiedly commends him and his associates to the confidence and support of the Church, so that by the fullest loyalty and co-operation the number of subscribers and advertisers be greatly increased and the paper placed as rapidly as possible upon a self-supporting basis.

V. General Synod (recognizing that the Church paper is the medium through which our denominational, missionary, educational and benevolent work is constantly stimulated, our united effort fostered, and that harmonious and aggressive spirit secured, which is so essential to the welfare of our church; therefore, it enjoins the Boards, Institutions and Agencies of the Church and, through the Classes, all pastors and people, to rally to the moral and financial support of the Christian Intelligencer.

The first years of the undertaking will be critical and this support most urgently needed, and General Synod therefore recommends to the Boards and Educational Institutions, the sharing of the burden by making such an annual generous donation to the Board of Publication as may be warranted, to be applied solely to expense incident to the publication of the Church paper and in return for space allotted to such Board or Institution.

VI. General Synod further suggests to the men and women who love the Reformed Church in America, that by gifts and by legacies to the Board of Publication and Bible School Work, they create an endowment fund, which in course of time may become

sufficiently large to guarantee the continuance of the paper and the maintenance of its high character and usefulness.

VII. General Synod expresses the hope that some amicable arrangement may be made in the near future to combine the Christian Intelligencer and The Leader, and thus concentrate our efforts in the support of one official and comprehensive organ which shall serve all the interests of the denomination and tend to unify all our life and work.

We further recommend:

1. That in view of the enlarging work of our Board, the Synod ask the church to contribute \$20,000 as the minimum amount adequate for the work of the Board in the Departments of Education, Evangelism and Publication, including the Intelligencer.

2. That the Consistories of all of our Churches in apportioning the budget of benevolences for the coming year be enjoined to give this Board five percent. of the benevolences contributed to denominational objects. In the report of the Board, 10 cents on each dollar of the Church's benevolence is asked. The Committee feels that the five cents recommended by Synod last year will be a fairer working basis.

3. That all of our Churches be advised and urged to use to the fullest extent the facilities of our Board for supplying churches Bible Schools and Young People's Societies, for the maintenance of their various lines of work, and that before ordering supplies elsewhere, our churches communicate with our Business Department.

4. That Synod urge upon all our Churches the importance of making annually a contribution to the Board of Publication and Bible School Work, enabling it to carry on its work of assisting needy churches calling for aid in the matter of hymnbooks, psalters and literature of all kinds.

As relating to the Work of the Department of Religious Education, we recommend:

1. That Synod urge upon our Bible Schools the attainment of a seventy-five percent. average attendance.

2. That the goal of "More of our pupils won for Jesus Christ," be the subject of work and prayer throughout the year.

3. That our "Bible Schools" be urged to adopt and introduce for missionary instruction, the definite graded course of lessons in preparation by the Joint Committee of the Education Department.

WIDOW'S FUND.

1. In grateful acknowledgment of the faithful and efficient service of Dr. Denis Wortman, as the Agent of General Synod for this Fund, we recommend to the Synod that he be continued as Synod's Agents to procure generous contributions for this Fund.

2. That Synod heartily commend this Fund to every church and minister.

3. We further recommend to the generosity of every prosperous church, that it assume the payment of the premium of its own pastor.

4. We also recommend to the generosity of the more prosperous individuals that they assume the payment of the premium of some missionary pastor.

5. And finally that the Stated Clerk of every Classis hereafter, notify the Consistory of any church about to extend a call to a new pastor to send to the same a copy of Synod's action of 1903 (see page 385 of Minutes of 1903), which is as follows:

"The General Synod requests the Consistories of every church to raise and pay to the Treasurer of the Board of Direction for their present pastor a sum sufficient to place and keep his name on the Widows' Fund, and when making out a call to a new pastor, to insert as a part of the business contract the pledge of such an amount per annum as will place and keep his name on the Widows' Fund, or in case his name is there, to pay his annual dues."

DISABLED MINISTER'S FUND.

1. Resolved, That we commend the efforts and faithfulness of the worthy agent of the Fund, Rev. Dr. Denis Wortman, and pray the Heavenly Father to bless and sustain him in the remaining, we trust many, years of his useful life.

2. Resolved, That we appreciate the large amounts of money that have come to the Fund through legacies and other sources, and trust that many others may be influenced to follow the worthy example of these givers, in order that the resources of the Fund may be still further materially increased.

3. Resolved, That we commend to our churches the claims of the Fund, and urge them to arrange for a generous offering in their annual budgets.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Whereas, the extraordinary international situation that confronts the United States, is a matter of deep concern to all Christians and all churches, calling for their co-operation in the largest ways, and with the wisest methods, in the adoption of Christian principles in our dealing with the belligerent nations of Europe, with Mexico, and Latin America; and with China and Japan, and—

Whereas, the Commission on International Justice and Good-

will of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, in co-operation with the American Council of the World alliance for promoting international friendship through the churches, has worked out plans whereby the christians and churches of the United States may unite in their great new task of christianizing America's international relations.

Resolved: 1. That all our pastors be and hereby are urged by this General Synod to secure from the Federal Council (105 E. 22nd St., New York City), the literature setting forth these plans and proposals.

Resolved: 2. That we commend to the pastors and churches for careful consideration, two pamphlets issued by the Federal Council; "The Duty of the Church in this Hour of National Need" and "A New Era in Human History"—the latter being a four weeks course of study in the outlines of world constructive statemanship.

Resolved: 3. That the religious weeklies and other organs of our body be requested to keep our members informed of the activities and programs of the World Alliance for International Friendship, in order that our body, as one regiment in the great Christian Army in the United States, may keep step with the other communions and may be ready to do its part effectively, in christianizing America's relations with other lands.

BENEVOLENT SOCIETIES.

1. The *American Tract Society* states that for ninety-two years it has disseminated, in both the home and foreign mission fields, the saving truths of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, as commonly believed and accepted by all Evangelical churches, and has supplied Christian literature in 178 languages and dialects, to a total of over 797,700,000 copies of volumes, periodicals and tracts; and has made cash grants to foreign mission stations, to the total amount of nearly \$1,000,000.

Their Colporteurs have made, during all these years, nearly 19,000,000 family visits, distributed millions of volumes of Gospel literature and conducted nearly 600,000 religious meetings, a service which has accomplished untold good, conserved Christian faith and character, and proclaimed the Gospel of our salvation to millions of men and women in all parts of the world. This Society still is needed to bring the word of God in an attractive and convincing manner to the millions yet unreached.

Resolved, That in view of the above facts the Synod earnestly commends the work of the American Tract Society to our Pastors, churches, and members, and urges all our consistories to include the work of this Society in their budget for an annual offering.

2. *The American Bible Society.*

This is one of the two great Bible Societies of the World, the other being the British and Foreign Bible Society. The American Society, within the past year, has entered upon the 101st year of its life and work, and during 1916 held many most interesting and helpful Centennial meetings to celebrate this notable event. These meetings were participated in by thousands of churches, Sunday-schools and religious societies, in union meetings and large popular gatherings, and particularly in the official celebrations at Washington and New York and in many of the chief cities of Central and South America, Japan, Corea, China, Egypt, and many other important centers.

These celebrations were intended not only to review the past, but to arouse greater interest in the present and future work of this society, and there is abundant evidence, that this result has already been achieved.

The magnitude of the Society's work is somewhat shown by the fact that the Bibles and portions printed by it are regularly distributed by over 2,000 Colporteurs and correspondents, through nine home and twelve foreign agencies, scattered over five continents, and the Islands of the Sea and expressed in over 150 languages. The issues of 1916 were 5,170,000 volumes and the total issues for the hundred years of the Society's work, were over 117,687,000 volumes. The income of this Society in 1916 was \$665,880.00 and its expenses \$735,848.00, the difference being provided by funds reserved for that purpose, but as opportunity opens for development the need of constantly increasing funds is evident.

In view of these facts we offer the following resolutions:

Resolved: 1. That this Synod heartily congratulates the American Bible Society upon the world-wide and sympathetic recognition of its Centennial Year (1916), and the increased interest in its work which has marked the first year of its new century.

2. That the Synod regrets that the gifts of the living to the Society, while larger than in previous years, did not, during the past year, suffice for the unusually large and necessary expansion of its work, and hopes that the Christian Churches of America, including all congregations of the Reformed Church in America, will respond with hearty sympathy and liberal gifts to the appeal of the Society for funds so that the fundamental work of distributing the Holy Scripture throughout our land and the nations of the earth, may not be delayed for lack of means.

3. Wm. Perry Watson, M. D., an Elder of the old Bergen Reformed Church of Jersey City, submits the following preamble and resolutions; which your Committee heartily approves and recommends to the endorsement of the General Synod.

Whereas, it is commonly known, that the Sabbath Day is not observed by a large number of people in accordance with the Fourth Commandment, which tells us to "Remember the Sabbath Day to keep it Holy," in that social visits, dinners and Sunday newspapers, automobile riding and other such things, take up most of that day; therefore, General Synod of the Reformed Church in America, enters its protest against all such desecration of the Sabbath Day, and earnestly requests all the members of our Church to diligently practice the Christian religion by a more faithful daily study of God's word, a more regular attendance at divine worship, and by every way, which will tend to keep the Sabbath Day as a Holy Day of God's appointment.

Resolved, that this action of Synod be read in each of our Reformed Churches at their services on the third Sunday of September, 1917.

4. The National Reform Association respectfully urges the General Synod to join with it in petitioning the President of the United States to set apart a day of prayer, upon which the people of this land may unitedly implore the God of the Nation for divine guidance, the overthrow of national evils, forgiveness for national sins, the speedy cessation of war and the establishment of a righteous and lasting peace.

Among other reasons for this request, the National Reform Association points out that:

1. This is a time of crisis in our national life; a Christian man goes to God for help and guidance in his crisis, so also should this Christian nation go to God for its aid in this Crisis.

2. We have been guilty of national sins, for which we should humbly crave God's pardon, such as the licensed saloon, pride, greed, and self-righteousness.

3. An opportunity would thus be given to unitedly consider important questions relating to our duty to the enlisted man, to the Government, to the cause of World peace and to the universal Kingdom of God.

An additional reason for this action may be pointed out in the fact that such a day of prayer would arouse the Christian people of this land as they could in no other way be aroused, to a sense of their dependence upon God in the face of our national perils, and their need of mutual council, conference and prayer; that the God who has made and preserved us as a Nation, may continue to sustain and guide us amid the calamities under which we are fallen. Therefore,

Resolved: 1. That this General Synod concur with the suggestion of the National Reform Association in petitioning our Government for the appointment of a National Day of Prayer, and when it

shall have been designated by the President, they commend the appropriate and solemn observance of such a Day of Prayer to all our congregations.

Resolved: 2. That a copy of this preamble and resolution be signed by the President and the Stated Clerk of this General Synod and sent to the President of the United States, and that this action be also communicated to the National Reform Association.

5. Federal Council of the Church of Christ in America sends a communication relating to the present deplorable condition of the Armenian and Syrian peoples whose sufferings, precipitated by the racial and religious hatred of their oppressors and stimulated rather than restrained by nations whose sympathies for their fellow-beings have been stifled by the hard hand of war-like passions, are well known to the civilized world. Starvation and practical annihilation, faces these wretched remnants of once happy and prosperous people, and the American Committee for their relief appeals for \$6,000,000 a month to save those still living. In the face of this unexampled horror and suffering the General Synod resolves: That the Synod commends to all our people the duty and privilege of an opportunity to do our part in the relief of human suffering and sorrow such as the world has rarely witnessed, and calls upon all our pastors and churches to present this need to their congregations at an early date and to ask them to give liberally for the relief work of the Armenian and Syrian committee among these starving and dying millions.

7. The Lord's Day Alliance of the United States sends to the General Synod a very important communication on the outstanding question of the Christian Sabbath in the shape of a report of a special Committee of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, U. S. A., to that body in its late annual session. This report is a carefully considered and expressed statement of the Sabbath question and its present status. To quote many of its arguments would be impossible in this connection, but we would like to call the attention of the Synod to a statement which cannot be contradicted, namely:

Never before was there so ably organized and well financed a movement to break down our Christian Sabbath as the year through which we have passed. The bold and brazen marshalling together of mighty forces which leaped into the open in the recent months startled even those into whose hands was largely committed the safeguarding of the Lord's Day. The liquor traffic, sporting elements, theatre, dance halls, motion-picture show houses, business of unnumbered varieties, the powerful newspaper, strident voices of the world from everywhere, and the mad haste for Sunday pleasure in which an innumerable company of church members are like-

wise registered—these all have played their part against the sanctity of this day labeled with the name of the Author of our faith. With these facts including the tremendous efforts put forth in nearly every State of the nation this year to commercialize the Christian Sabbath, we most emphatically assert that the time of neutrality—if such ever existed—on this question, as in the great war into which we have been drawn, has passed. There is no neutral ground. Every true believer must stand up and be counted.

Moreover, we are now facing this question of the secularization of the Sabbath for a new and startling standpoint. To quote again—

The distressing European war into which the United States has been drawn has brought with it careless regard for the Sabbath in many places. In New England, the Middle States and elsewhere munition factories, steel plants and foundries have been running seven days a week, and paper and pulp factories, seizing the opportunity for increased profits, are doing the same. Railroads ready to meet the traffic demands have increased their Sunday traffic, and businesses of many kinds have leaped swiftly into line. If England has been able to keep her munition factories closed on Sundays since the war began, why cannot the United States? The words of Hon. William B. Wilson, Secretary of Labor, are apropos here and as touching other situations:

“Give to every able-bodied and willing worker the opportunity of six days’ toil in seven, and every physical necessity of mankind will be abundantly supplied. This principle is divinely ordained, economically sound, physiologically needed, and imperative from the humanitarian standpoint.”

We do not need to add further to the statements, nor is any argument necessary, we are sure, to induce the Reformed Church in America to cast the whole weight of her influence for the preservation and safe guarding of the Scriptural observance of the Christian Sabbath. In view of these facts and of the needs of the whole movement of the Sabbath observance, we therefore offer for adoption the following resolutions:

Resolved: 1. That the General Synod expresses its strong and emphatic disapproval of all secular uses of the Lord’s Day, all games and sports in civic life as also in the Army and Navy, all unnecessary traveling and all excursions, and urges upon all employers of labor and captains of industry to recognize the need of the laboring man for his weekly rest day and to secure him in this right, thereby insure his larger efficiency and happiness and the greater prosperity of both capital and labor.

2. That this Synod most strongly protests against the operation of moving picture shows and of liquor saloons and all at-

tempts to legalize them on the Lord's Day, and urges our public officials to enforce the law against this indefensible Sunday business, all of which is a serious menace to the true spirit of the Lord's Day, to our churches and sabbath schools, and to the right employment of the Sabbath in our families.

3. That this Synod again expresses its disapproval of the Sunday Newspaper, as a needless and destructive influence against the sanctity of the Lord's Day, and urges the members of our church neither to buy, nor read nor advertise in it.

4. That this General Synod appoint a permanent committee on the observance of the Lord's Day whose number shall be seven and which shall co-operate with similar committees of other denominations and with other organizations formed for the promotion of the sanctity of the Lord's Day, and whose object shall be to extend and to safe-guard the scriptural observance of the Christian Sabbath throughout our land.

The President of Synod later appointed the following committee as called for by Resolution 4 of the resolutions pertaining to the work of the Lord's Day Alliance as follows:

Revs. A. DeW. Mason, John Van Westenberg, P. H. Milliken and Edward Dawson. Elders Wm. Perry Watson, M. D., George Tiffany and J. N. Trompen.

5. That this Synod recommends that each of our Classes appoint a similar committee to advance the interest of this important work, in their constituent churches, and the local communities in which they are situated.

6. That the Synod heartily commends and endorses the work of the Lord's Day Alliance of the United States and the Women's National Sabbath Alliance and commend these organizations to the co-operation of all our churches.

7. That this Synod recommend that the week known as Lord's Day Week, commencing on the first Sabbath after Easter, and including the second Sabbath after Easter, be observed as a week of prayer for the preservation of the Lord's Day in its quiet, rest and worship, that the lesson in all our Sabbath Schools on the first Sabbath after Easter, be on the observance of the Sabbath, and that each of our Pastors preach a sermon on that day or as soon thereafter as possible on the subject of the Sabbath.

In some of the churches which have adopted this system there seems to prevail a sentiment that no special appeals should ever be made from their pulpits for denominational causes; that the results attained by the Every Member Canvass should be accepted as the total possible or practicable benevolence of the church. This is an unfortunate point of view that it is hoped may change. It is true that Systematic Beneficence renders unnecessary and in-

advisable the many appeals and the constant urging of congregations necessary before its adoption, but no church should close its doors to the special appeal prompted by a denominational emergency, and in every church a place should be found for a free will offering for denominational causes upon the special Sundays set aside by the General Synod for the particular consideration of the missionary and benevolent causes of the Reformed Church. It has been well said that "there seems danger that giving shall lose its exuberance by being systematized"; but in our denomination there need be no such danger if our churches include special giving on these special Sundays, and also plan each to share willingly in the giving that may prove necessary in times of unusual stress.

Your Committee rejoices in the statement of the Permanent Committee that this year, there has been a marked increase in contributions from the churches, due, in the judgment of the Committee, to the larger number of churches who have adopted the every member canvass, and weekly offering.

We would emphasize the suggestion of the Committee that the churches do not unduly depend on the duplex envelope system, to the titter exclusion of any necessary appeals that may be properly made for any denominational emergency.

RESOLUTIONS OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

1. Resolved, That General Synod instruct the Permanent Committee on Temperance to co-operate in the most intimate manner possible, with the Committee on Temperance of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, and urge the individual churches to carry out the suggestions which the Committee of the Federal Council may from time to time formulate.

2. Resolved, That General Synod recognize the Anti-Saloon League of America as a most effective force working in behalf of the Christian Churches, for national prohibition by legislative action, and urge the individual churches to support the League by opening its pulpits to its representatives, and by the appointment of local committees to co-operate in its political activities.

3. That the General Synod respectfully request the President and Congress of the United States in view of the present war needs, to enact at once legislation establishing nation-wide prohibition of the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors; and be it also resolved that a copy of this resolution signed by the President and Stated Clerk of General Synod, be forwarded to the President and the two Houses of Congress.

4. Resolved, That General Synod authorize Permanent Com-

mittee on Temperance to circularize the churches for funds with which to meet the expenses of its work, to amount not to exceed \$1.00 per church.

REPORT OF THE STATE OF RELIGION OF THE GENERAL SYNOD R. C. A.

The perfect, model report on the State of Religion is that of the glorified Head of the Church upon the spiritual condition of the seven churches of Asia Minor. At His dictation it was to be written by John on Patmos, and to be sent as the Saviour's message to each of these seven churches. That report proceeds from the knowledge of Him who addresses every church with the prelude, "I know Thy works," and He who "searcheth the reins and hearts" as "the true and faithful witness" declares, I know in all these seven fields, and I appreciate and commend your faith, love, piety, toil, tribulation, patience and courage. Our Lord in these reports, hates and commends discipline for all heresy, false teachings and sins, that are not promptly removed. He demands a holy separation from the world for His Church, which he bought with His own blood. And I know also the things I have against you, and point out with disapproval and loving warning your decline, your lukewarmness, your deadness.

It is noteworthy how this faithful report by the Lord Himself, discriminately allows for the hardness of the field and the strong opposition, and assures the churches and us, "I know where thou dwellest." I realize your peculiar local difficulties and your struggles and handicaps by reason of weakness of numbers and of poverty. And there runs throughout this review and analysis of their religious condition, the consoling and aspiring assurance, "I love you." Yet Jesus, mark it well, calls six of these seven churches to repent, and to repent quickly.

It is noteworthy that the exalted Lord makes no reference to statistical returns in this report. He reads the figures "which the Lord shall count when He writeth up the people, that this and that man was born in Zion," and to all He addresses the appeal to "overcome." Our exalted Saviour insists on the true and abundant spiritual life of the Churches as the secret and power that master all evils and obstacles.

A marked feature of the Lord's own report is that it is to be conveyed to each church as His urgent message. Our Classical and Synodical Reports should, as far as possible, pattern after these principles and aims of His, in all these features, and should then be read with solemnity to and by every congregation.

In the earliest day of Christianity a couple of rough statistical

estimates were made, and of that first Pentecostal ingathering it is suggestively reported that there were added about three thousand souls. "Souls," "Souls saved," "Souls, not mere names," were added. Soon after, the New Testament ignores all statistical figures, and the exhibit of the real state of the churches was not in numbers—but in soundness, in Christ-likeness, in power, and in the conquest of the Nations.

In order to prepare for any denomination a report worthy to command attention and to serve as a Spiritual message, the annual reporter should enjoy a personal visit and searching survey of the whole field. The Church that commissions and invites such a visitor to inspect and study every part of the field and to hold fellowship and convey timely messages to representative gatherings, that Church may approve a report, based upon correct, fresh, vital materials and insight, rather than on cold print and figures; and such a conspectus and message would give help and new impetus to the church's work. But now nearly every report to the Particular Synods and to the General Synod refers to this vagueness of impressions made by the usual returns. This is not remedied when unhappily so many charges send "statistics only" or "no remarks."

Quite probably there are found within the bounds of our church as well as in other ecclesiastical bodies, diverse standards and terms of admission of members, and diverse modes of operating our confessional and administrative system, and decidedly diverse types of personal piety and of congregational spirituality and power.

It is highly gratifying to note, that the year has proven more than usually evangelistic. The judicious and stirring appeal of Synod's Evangelistic Committee was an incentive to more aggressive and persuasive soul-winning as the fruits of such efforts prove; manifestly arousing voices were heard, as appeared in the report in behalf of a burning zeal to save the people living in unbelief and unconcern.

A desire was also expressed in an eastern Synod for a return to the essential basis of a healthy church-life and growth in the catechizing of the young; a holy insistence upon this fundamental educational work of religion should characterize all Reformed Churches. Decay in that line of work will blight nearly all other ministries of the churches. Another appeal nobly pleads for Family Religion. As the families are, so shall the churches be. To be true to the Biblical ideals of the Reformed Church implies a religious home life wherein the Word of God and the family altar are an unfailing and transforming power in the saving and sanctifying of the household. And the more earnestly must our church inculcate this home ideal, since the increase or decrease of ministers will invariably correspond to the maintenance or decline of such family

worship and instruction. I was told by a Canadian minister, that a great denomination of Canada receives its supply of ministers largely from the Province in which all homes are so positively consecrated and loyal to Christ and His church.

The inadequate patronage of our religious papers is deplored, and an Eastern Synod very wisely urges general effort to interest, enlighten, and bless all the homes of our church by the introduction of these informing journals. Our people should be familiar with our current church history, its needs, operations, enterprises and opportunities.

A lament also arises, and very warrantably, that in an Eastern Synod so many rural charges are unshepherded. This trying problem should somehow be solved. Decay and death menace these churches unless provision for pastoral care can be devised. We venture upon no suggestion since we are not acquainted with the difficulties of the situation; yet may not more and longer use be made in this emergency of many ministers without charge? There must be quite a percentage of even the retired ministers, who would gladly respond to respectful and fair overtures for their help in this time of sore need. Why should so much treasure of knowledge, ripe experience, seasoned godliness and power, be wasted by permitting or compelling men so often then at their best, to remain idle? Let there be no such egregious folly in Israel. This leads to the warmest commendation of many churches, that last year increased the salaries of their pastors. A Classical report puts it strongly and bravely, and most truthfully, that at present the high cost of living falls hardest on the ministers of the gospel. May the eyes of all churches be opened to this need, and to this privilege of cheering and inspiring the men of God for their labors, freed from carking worldly cares; according to their call.

There is another advance that call for praise, to wit; the growing number of churches that support a missionary abroad. What a blessing to them and to the grand cause, to hold themselves responsible for the support of their own missionaries. Let this plan spread and prevail.

And vitally linked, with the foregoing items of progress, is the improving financial system of so many churches by the adoption of the EVERY MEMBER CANVASS, and DUPLEX ENVELOPE SYSTEM. Good business management, consecrated to the Lord's cause gives new impetus to normal religion.

Yes, there are gains and advancing steps that gladden our hearts, and it is well to remember that "one soweth and another reapeth." Let the servant and the church, that toiled all the year faithfully without encouraging visible fruits, be cheered by the prospect of a harvest from their sowing, even if reaped by other

hands. But let us beware of applauding the specious reports of the surprising successes of new men who, in all justice, should credit faithful forerunners with the sowing and tilling done up to the harvest time.

Besides there are diversity of gifts, and they who build up as well as those who are not gifted to edify but to persuade and gather in, are equally acceptable to our Lord.

Decidedly pleasing is the surprise to find, that the benevolences of the church have markedly increased, and that the unusually large contributions for relief of European sufferers have not diminished but rather enlarged our loyal liberality toward our own denominational enterprises.

Whilst avoiding all odious comparisons and invidious distinctions, this report is constrained to call attention to the significant fact that in the past year the churches of the Chicago Synod contributed only \$36,000 less than one-half of the aggregate of the entire Church's contributions for denominational objects. Surely a commendable manifestation of devout and ardent loyalty, zeal, and sacrifice; hence, also our operations at home and abroad in education and missions are well maintained, as the various reports of the schools and Boards will show.

The Lord be praised for His grace given to us, and may the Holy Spirit endue us more plentifully for the arduous work awaiting us in this time of "the distress of nations."

We recommend what our Lord addressed to the seven churches of Asia to our more than 700 churches for serious study, reflection and guidance, and close with His solemn refrain, "He that hath ears to hear let him hear what the Spirit saith to the churches."

Respectfully submitted,

P. MOERDYKE.

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ACTS AND PROCEEDINGS.

THE ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH GENERAL SYNOD OF THE REFORMED CHURCH IN AMERICA CONVENED IN REGULAR SESSION IN THE GRAND AVE., REFORMED CHURCH OF ASBURY PARK, N. J., ON THURSDAY, THE THIRTY-FIRST DAY OF MAY, ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND SEVENTEEN, AT TWO-THIRTY O'CLOCK, P. M., AND ADJOURNED ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6, AT THE NOON HOUR.

FORMATION OF SYNOD.

ARTICLE I.

OPENING OF THE SYNOD.

The Synod was called to order by the President, the Rev. Peter Moerdyke, D. D., who preached the synodical sermon at the evening service of May 31st, from the text: Ps. 73:17—"Until I went into the sanctuary of God: then understood I their end."

ARTICLE II.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

PARTICULAR SYNOD OF NEW YORK.

CLASSIS OF HUDSON—*Ministers*, Revs. J. M. Martin, A. I. Mann. *Elders*, Wellman Russell.

CLASSIS OF KINGSTON—*Ministers*, Revs. M. V. Oggel, John Neander. *Elder*, A. S. Denton.

NORTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND—*Ministers*, Revs. R. Anderson Watson, Charles K. Clearwater, George J. Schork. *Elders*, George G. Dorn, John Zeh.

SOUTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND—*Ministers*, Revs. G. W. Carter, C. W. Roeder, A. DeW. Mason. *Elders*, C. W. Osborne, George Tiffany, H. J. Holt, W. W. Kouwenhoven.

CLASSIS OF NEW YORK—*Ministers*, Revs. DeWitt Clinton Snyder, Albert F. Hahn, Arthur F. Mabon, Peter F. Milliken, Paul Seibert Leinbach, Frelon Eugene Bolster. *Elders*, Prof. F. R. Hutton, William Archibald, John M. Kyle, Conrad Bill, Charles Brown, Daniel McClure.

CLASSIS OF ORANGE—*Ministers*, Revs. J. R. Sizoo, William Wyckoff Schomp, A. B. Boynton. *Elders*, R. A. Demarest, J. P. Worzel, T. L. Millspaugh.

CLASSIS OF POUGHKEEPSIE—*Ministers*, Revs. Alexander M. Conger, J. E. Lyall. *Elders*, G. C. Blossom, F. S. Sewell.

CLASSIS OF WESTCHESTER—*Ministers*, Revs. F. W. Cutler, Sartell Prentice, E. W. Thompson. *Elders*, Wilberforce Van Slyke, David Horton.

PARTICULAR SYNOD OF ALBANY.

CLASSIS OF ALBANY—*Ministers*, Revs. Jacob Van Ess, J. Addison Jones, J. S. Kittell. *Elders*, E. W. Parker, Luther Frisbee.

CLASSIS OF GREENE—*Ministers*, Revs. J. A. Dykstra, S. O. Lawsing. *Elder*, William Van Orden.

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY—*Ministers*, Revs. H. A. Eliason, Royal A. Stanton, U. G. Warren. *Elders*, John Kilts, G. Harold Merry.

CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER—*Ministers*, Revs. J. C. Bulness, E. A. MacCullom. *Elder*, J. C. Morton.

CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER—*Ministers*, Revs. Benjamin DeYoung, H. E. Tellman, John Wolterink. *Elder*, Jacob Scherens.

CLASSIS OF SARATOGA—*Ministers*, Rev. I. W. Kinney. *Elder*, J. A. McDougal.

CLASSIS OF SCHNECTADY—*Ministers*, Revs. H. B. Rob-

erts, E. O. Moffet. *Elders*, Frank Higgins, E. E. Dockstader, W. B. Mynderse.

CLASSIS OF SCOTCHBAY—*Ministers*, Revs. H. C. Morehouse, C. W. Smith. *Elders*, M. Lawyer, J. B. Wyckoff.

CLASSIS OF ULSTER—*Ministers*, Rev. W. F. Stowe, G. W. Gulick.

PARTICULAR SYNOD OF CHICAGO

CLASSIS OF CASCADES—*Minister*, Rev. C. Heines.

CLASSIS OF DAKOTA—*Ministers*, Revs. J. W. Brink, W. H. Dickens. *Elder*, J. Winters.

CLASSIS OF GERMANIA—No delegates present.

CLASSIS OF GRAND RIVER—*Ministers*, Revs. K. J. Dykema, A. W. DeJonge, John Steunenberg. *Elders*, P. DeWeerd, Isaac Louis.

CLASSIS OF HOLLAND—*Ministers*, Revs. M. E. Broekstra, Benjamin Hoffman, Henry Mollema. *Elders*, G. J. Bolks, P. H. DePree, B. DuMez.

CLASSIS OF ILLINOIS—*Ministers*, Revs. John Lamar, John Bennink.

CLASSIS OF IOWA—*Ministers*, Revs. D. Scholten, Z. Roetman, G. D. Van Peurse. *Elders*, George DeBey, Albert Mos.

CLASSIS OF MICHIGAN—*Ministers*, Revs. Ralph Bloemendal, John Van Zomeren, P. Moerdyke. *Elders*, John Veltman, J. C. Hertstein, Prof. J. B. Nykerk.

CLASSIS OF PELLA—*Ministers*, Revs. C. W. Deelsnyder, Peter Grooters. *Elders*, Y. T. van Niewaal, William Paltzer.

CLASSIS OF PLEASANT PRAIRIE—*Ministers*, Revs. J. G. Theilken, E. K. Russmann. *Elders*, S. Wubben, Sander Sessler.

CLASSIS OF WISCONSIN—*Ministers*, Revs. H. J. Pietenpol, William Wolvius, D. J. DeBey, C. Kuyper. *Elders*, C. W. Blocker, Eli Cuperi, C. Ver Hulst, E. Van der Ploeg.

PARTICULAR SYNOD OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

CLASSIS OF BERGEN—*Ministers*, Revs. Albert von Schlieder, Henry Bacon Allen. *Elders*, J. W. Strayer, M. J. Borgert.

SOUTH CLASSIS OF BERGEN—*Ministers*, Revs. A. F. Bender, Abram Duryee, F. S. Wilson. *Elders*, Theodore Junger, William Perry Watson, W. C. Oliver.

CLASSIS OF MONMOUTH—*Ministers*, Revs. F. T. B. Reynolds, L. G. Leggett. *Elder*, Arthur S. Van Buskirk.

CLASSIS OF NEWARK—*Ministers*, Revs. Edward S. Ralston, J. Garland Hamner, Otis M. Trousdale, Charles Beach Condit. *Elders*, A. R. Corbet, Joseph J. Garrabrant, Giles Van Dyne.

CLASSIS OF NEW BRUNSWICK—*Ministers*, Revs. Lewis B. Chamberlain, J. A. Thomson. *Elders*, John E. DeHart, Adam Hummer.

CLASSIS OF THE PALISADES—*Ministers*, Revs. William Manchee, J. Harvey Murphy, Chas. S. Wright. *Elders*, Lewis Huber, W. W. Nicholas.

CLASSIS OF PARAMUS—*Ministers*, Revs. A. C. Dykema, J. H. Whitehead, Edward Dawson, J. C. A. Becker. *Elder*, Charles Lounsbury.

CLASSIS OF PASSAIC—*Ministers*, Revs. T. E. Gouwens, Elmer W. K. Mould, H. A. Deck. *Elders*, W. A. Voight, John Kort, Cornelius Van der Weide.

CLASSIS OF PHILADELPHIA—*Ministers*, Revs. H. K. Hotaling, A. J. Walter. *Elders*, William Skillman, Isaac Bennet.

CLASSIS OF RARITAN—*Ministers*, Revs. Isaac Sperling, J. A. Lumley, D. R. Reese. *Elders*, Philip Case, N. M. P. Durling.

REPRESENTATIVES OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARIES—Rev. Prof. J. Preston Searle, from the New Brunswick Theological Sem. Rev. Prof. John W. Beardslee, from the Western Theological Seminary.

ARTICLE III.

MODERATORS.

The President appointed the Revs. John Van Zomeren and H. K. Hotaling as tellers.

The Rev. J. Preston Searle, D. D., of New Brunswick, was elected President, and was called to the chair.

The Rev. J. Addison Jones, D. D., of Albany, N. Y., was elected Vice President.

The Rev. John Van Zomeren, and the Rev. H. K. Hotaling were elected Temporary Clerks.

The Rev. William E. Compton was appointed Press Clerk for the coming year.

The Rev. Jasper S. Hogan, D. D., was appointed chairman, and Elder Frederic R. Hutton, ScD., was appointed Elder-at-large, on the Committee on Correspondence and Religious Exercises for the coming year. The other members of this committee being ex-officio, the President of the General Synod, the Stated Clerk, and the pastor of the church entertaining General Synod in 1918.

ARTICLE IV

READING OF MINUTES.

On motion the reading of the minutes of last session was omitted.

ACTS OF THE SYNOD.

ARTICLE I.

RULES OF ORDER.

The reading of the rules of order was omitted, and copies of the printed Rules were placed upon the desk.

The Preliminary Report of the Committee on Correspondence and Religious Exercises, which pertains to the Rules of Order, was read and is as follows:—

PRELIMINARY REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON
CORRESPONDENCE AND RELIGIOUS EX-
ERCISES.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America.

FATHERS AND BRETHREN: In accordance with the direction of the Synod, your Committee on Correspondence and Religious Exercises herewith submits a partial report, as early in its session as possible.

There have been several meetings of the Committee, and a large amount of correspondence has also been required. The results of the Committee's work appear in the printed "Program of the General Synod."

The Board of Education and the Board of Publication and Bible-School Work have jointly prepared the program of exercises for Friday evening, as has been their custom. The Board of Foreign Missions and the Board of Domestic Missions, as well as the Women's Boards, are responsible for the special exercises appointed in the interest of the work which is entrusted to them.

So far as it has been possible to do so, a special time has been assigned to visiting delegates to address the Synod in behalf of the organizations which they represent. Unfortunately not all who desire a hearing have communicated with the Committee early enough for such an appointment. The Committee will therefore have to ask the indulgence of the Synod for the introduction of such representatives at the time most convenient to the Synod and to the speakers.

The Committee has thought it desirable to have the Standing Committees appointed as early as possible, so they may begin their work without delay. The Program therefore provides for the announcement of such committees at the close of the evening service on Thursday, and the reference of the various documents to them at that time. We have therefore ventured to propose that the Vice President preside at the preaching service, in order to give the President freedom to prepare the list of his committees, for such early announcement.

Inasmuch as the work of this Committee will continue throughout this Synod its final report will necessarily be delayed until the closing session. At this time we beg leave to submit this preliminary report, of which the printed "Program of the General Synod" forms a part, and recommend that it be adopted by the Synod as the order for its business sessions and religious exercises.

Respectfull submitted,

JASPER S. HOGAN,
Chairman of the Committee.

The report was adopted.

The Report of the Commission to secure greater efficiency in the use of time at the meetings of General Synod, was read. It is as follows:

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America.

FATHERS AND BRETHREN: At the meeting of General Synod in June, 1915, a motion was introduced seeking to secure such changes in method and procedure at the meetings of Synod as should utilize the time devotable to such meetings to better advantage and secure an improved efficiency in their conduct. (Minutes, 1915, page 349.)

This motion was referred to a Special Commission to consider and report; the Commission was made to consist of the Committee on Correspondence and Religious Exercises and the former Presidents of Synod (Minutes, 1915, page 350). The Commission made a report of Progress in 1916, (Minutes, 1916, page 675), and now submits a report of recommendations.

I. OBJECTS.

Two principal objects are sought:

(1). To get the business of the Committees of Synod into their hands at the earliest possible moment after the Synod has organized, so that the reports of such committees may early begin to flow back to the floor of Synod.

(2). To reduce the congestion of business on the last days and hours of the Synod, and give fuller time for deliberative legislative and inspirational consideration of such business and important reports of committees.

II. ADVANTAGES.

If these are attained, two further advantages are secured:

(3). A greater attendance of the members of Synod is secured at the deliberative sessions and the counsel of wise advisers made available as it cannot be when committees must sit at the same time that the general sessions of Synod are in progress.

(4). A reduced total cost and a consequent reduction of the assessment rate on the Classes, without a lowered *per diem* rate, if the over-all length of the sessions of Synod can be reduced without loss (or better with a gain in effectiveness), for their primary purposes.

If the first object, (or No. One in the foregoing) can be secured, the advantages will follow.

III. PROPOSED CHANGES.

The Commission suggests the following easily effected changes to obtain these ends:

(5). That the President of Synod who calls the meeting to order at the close of his year of service, continue to preside and to discharge presidential functions until the adjournment of the opening session (now on Thursday afternoon). The newly elected President shall begin his presidential functions at the opening of the services of Thursday evening. He shall sit as an assessor or adviser of the President in office on the platform after he has been welcomed by his predecessor and has responded at the opening session.

(6). The President of Synod who has served during the year shall announce the appointment of Synodical Committees as soon as the Synod has been constituted by a response

to the Roll Call, and immediately after the election of President and Vice President for the coming year has been consummated.

(7). The papers and business before Synod shall be referred to the appropriate committees at the first or opening session, or immediately after the constitution of the committees has been announced by the President; this will happen on Thursday afternoon by this plan.

(8). It shall be in order for any committee which is ready to report, to do so at the Friday morning's session, and thereafter as ready.

IV. ARGUMENT.

A summary of the argument for such proposed changes will include:

(9). The President of Synod whose term of office is about to expire will come to its meeting with a knowledge that the duty of appointing the committees will be on his shoulders. Now, the new President cannot know this, but it comes on him without warning and unexpectedly, and finds him relatively unprepared to do his best work. He appoints under a pressure of time, and with only a general familiarity with the requirements.

(10). The President appointing committees under the new plan brings a year's familiarity with the administrative work of the Church to this important duty. He will be less subject to a need for wise counsel outside of himself, and can impress his personal gifts and wisdom on the year's work. It is not thought to be greatly significant that a President should preside at the sessions when his appointees are presenting their reports.

(11). The quality of the deliberative, legislative, and inspirational work of a Synod will be improved to the extent to which the regular sessions are made orderly and unhurried; and are made fully representative of the whole Church by the presence of all the delegates; and this is attained to the degree that committee members are released from synchronous committee meetings outside.

V. RESOLUTIONS.

The Commission therefore offers the following resolutions:

(1R). RESOLVED, That under the provisions of Art. 182 of the Constitution, notice in writing is hereby submitted of an amendment to the Standing Rules now in force as amended and adopted in 1910, (Minutes, 1910, page 764, and for the present under suspension by vote of Synod; Minutes, 1915, page 349);

(2R). RESOLVED, That Synod approve as required under Art. 182, the following changes in the Rules of Order:

(a). Under Heading 3, to replace the words "On his election, the President takes the Chair" by the words: "The President and Vice President elect take their offices after the adjournment of the opening session."

(b). Transpose Heading 22: "Announcement of Standing Committees by the President" at the third session to be Heading 4 of the opening session, and increase the ordinal number of the Headings by one from 4 to 21.

Respectfully submitted,

By the Commission,

JASPER S. HOGAN,

Chairman.

The Report was adopted and the following resolutions were offered by Prof. F. R. Hutton, a member of the commission:

WHEREAS, the amendments just offered and favorably received cannot become formally effective until approved by vote of the Synod at an early session of the Synod convened in 1918; and,

WHEREAS, the Committee on Correspondence and Religious Exercises must go to press with the printed program of the meeting of Synod in advance of such first session of the Synod, and it would appear to be of advantage to have the proposed amendments become effective as soon as they have been approved by the Synod of 1918; and these must

otherwise wait to become effective for another year or until 1919.

RESOLVED, That the Committee on Correspondence and Religious Exercises be authorized and directed to prepare and print the docket and program for the meeting of Synod in 1918 with the amendments of the Rules of Order provisionally incorporated therein which the Commission has reported, and the President of Synod be requested to come to the opening session of the Synod of 1918 prepared to make announcement of the constitution of the Standing Committees of that Synod at its opening session if he shall be asked to do so by favorable action on the proposed amendments to the Rules of Order.

The resolution was adopted.

The hours of meeting and adjournment were fixed. The limits of the house were fixed.

On motion the Van Benschoten Bequest was read by title.

ARTICLE II.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

DIRECTION—*Elders*, F. R. Hutton, J. B. Nykerk, C. W. Osborne, W. C. Oliver, W. W. Kouwenhoven.

PROFESSORATE—*Ministers*, Revs. J. S. Kittell, John Lamar, A. F. Mabon, C. S. Wright, P. S. Leinbach. *Elders*, Giles Van Duyne, John Bingham, P. H. DePree.

FOREIGN MISSIONS—*Ministers*, Revs. Benj. Hoffman, A. W. DeJonge, J. R. Sizoo, U. G. Warren, J. A. Dykstra. *Elders*, H. DePree, J. M. Kyle, Wm. Perry Watson.

DOMESTIC MISSIONS—*Ministers*, Revs. P. S. Wilson, J. W. Beardslee, M. E. Broekstra, P. H. Milliken, R. H. Watson. *Elders*, W. Van Slyke, K. Holtman, Geo. Tiffany, S. Wubbena.

OVERTURES—*Ministers*, Revs. E. W. Thompson, H. Molema, G. D. Van Peursem, A. E. MacCullon, M. V. Oggel. *Elders*, G. H. Merry, M. Lawyer.

EDUCATION—*Ministers*, Revs. Sartell Prentice, P. Moerdyke, E. S. Ralston, F. E. Bolster, Louis B. Chamberlain. *Elders*, Y. T. van Niewaal, E. W. Parker, John E. Pratt.

PUBLICATION AND BIBLE WORK—*Ministers*, Revs. Edward Dawson, W. W. Schomp, R. Bloemendal, F. W. Cutler. *Elders*, W. Van Orden, Chas. Lounsberry, I. Louis.

WIDOWS' FUND—*Ministers*, Revs. J. Steuenberg, Wilber F. Stowe, C. W. Roeder. *Elders*, Wm. Paltzer, Luther Frisbee, Jacob Scherens.

DISABLED MINISTERS' FUND—*Ministers*, Revs. A. J. Walter, John Bennink, Peter Grooters, A. C. Dykema. *Elders*, B. Dumez, M. J. Bogert, Frank Higgins.

SYNODICAL MINUTES AND REFERENCES—*Ministers*, Revs. Abram Duyree, J. G. Theilken, J. Harvey Murphy, J. A. Thomson. *Elders*, C. E. Olivine, Geo. DeBey, W. A. Voight.

JUDICIAL BUSINESS—*Ministers*, Revs. O. M. Trousdale, H. S. Pietenpol, A. F. Bender. *Elders*, F. S. Sewall, J. W. Strayer.

CORRESPONDENCE AND RELIGIOUS EXERCISES—*Ministers*, Revs. J. S. Hogan, J. P. Searle, Henry Lockwood, G. M. Conover. *Elder*, F. R. Hutton,

BENEVOLENT SOCIETIES—*Ministers*, Revs. A. D'W. Mason, K. J. Dykema, J. E. Lyall, J. G. Hamner. *Elders*, J. E. Durling, J. Kilts.

SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCES—*Ministers*, Revs. H. B. Roberts, D. Scholten, H. A. Deck, L. G. Leggett. *Elders*, C. Ver Hulst, W. Skillman.

STATE OF RELIGION—*Ministers*, Revs. J. P. Searle, J. A. Jones. *Elder*, C. Dosker.

NECROLOGY—*Ministers*, Revs. J. H. Raven, Jacob Weber, P. G. M. Bahler, C. DeJonge.

ACCOUNTS—*Ministers*, Revs. D. J. DeBey, J. A. Lumley, C. B. Condit, C. W. Kinney. *Elders*, P. DeWeerd, E. Van Wagenen, John E. DeHart.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE—*Ministers*, Revs. T. E. Gouwens, Benj. DeYoung, H. C. Morehouse. *Elders*, W. B. Mynderse, C. W. Blocker.

RESOLUTIONS—*Ministers*, Revs. A. von Schlieder, C. K. Clearwater, H. B. Allen, C. Heines. *Elders*, J. C. Hertstein, Arthur S. Van Buskirk, Philip Case.

NEXT PLACE OF MEETING—*Ministers*, Revs. Isaac Sperling, J. C. Bulness, A. M. Conger. *Elders*, A. Hummer, J. Winter, J. A. McDougal.

ARTICLE III.

COMMUNICATIONS.

Communications were received and disposed of as follows:—

Report of Board of Direction June, 1916.

Financial Statement of Treasurer of General Synod.

Overture from Classis of Cascades to be exempted from Classical Assessment. Referred to the Committee on Board of Direction.

Request from Classis of Dakota for a ruling in reference to Widows' Fund.

Request from Classis of Rensselaer in regard to assessments.

Report of Special Committee to examine Real Estate Values.

Report of Special Committee on New Church Home.

All referred to Committee on Board of Direction.

Annual Report of the Board of Superintendents of New Brunswick Theological Seminary.

Nominations for Board of Superintendents of New Brunswick Theological Seminary.

Forty-seventh Annual Report of Standing Committee on Seminary grounds and property of New Brunswick Theological Seminary.

Report of the Treasurer of the Standing Committee on Seminary Grounds and Property, at New Brunswick.

Report of the Board of Suuperintendents of the Western Theological Seminary.

Nominations for the Board of Superintendents of the Western Theological Seminary.

Report of the General Synod's Permanent Committee on the Finances of the Western Theological Seminary.

Nomination of Rev. Lewis R. Scudder, M. D., as Professor of Theology in the Arcot Theological Seminary by the Board of Superintendents of the Arcot Theological Seminary.

Resignation of Prof. J. F. Berg as professor of Hellenistic Greek and New Testament Exegesis in the New Brunswick Theological Seminary.

Request of Prof. J. F. Berg for a letter of dismission to the Classis of South Long Island.

Resignation of Prof. J. W. Beardslee, Sr., as Professor of Old Testament Language and Literature in the Western Theological Seminary.

Resignation of Prof. J. W. Beardslee, Jr., as Professor of New Testament Languages and Literature in the Western Theological Seminary, and

Acceptance of Prof. J. W. Beardslee, Jr., of the Professorship of Hellenistic Greek and New Testament Exegesis in the New Brunswick Theological Seminary.

Overtures for Dispensations.

All referred to the Committee on Professorate.

Eighty-fourth Annual *Report* of the Board of Education.

The 51st Annual *Report* of the Council of Hope College.

Financial Statement of the Benevolent Boards of Hope College, North Western Classical Academy and Pleasant Prairie Academy.

Report of the Pleasant Prairie Academy.

Report of the Board of Trustees of the North Western Classical Academy.

Report of the Wisconsin Memorial Academy.

Recommendation for aid for the Wisconsin Memorial Academy made by the Classis of Wisconsin.

Recommendation for aid to the North Western Classical Academy by the Classis of Iowa.

Report of Committee of Education of the North Western Classical Academy and Classis of Iowa.

Report of Central College, Pella, Iowa.

All referred to the Committee on Education, Academies and Colleges.

Annual Report of the Board of Foreign Missions. Referred to Committee on Board of Foreign Missions.

Eighty-third *Annual Report* of Board of Domestic Missions.

Referred to Committee on Domestic Missions.

Report of Board of Publication and Bible School Work.

Report of Permanent Committee on English Preaching at The Hague.

Overture from the Board of Directors of the Christian Intelligence Publication Co., requesting that General Synod give consent to the Board of Publication and Bible School Work to take over the publication of that paper.

Overture from South Classis of Long Island in regard to combination of publications.

Overture from the North Classis of Long Island in regard to combination of publications.

Referred to Committee on Publication and Bible School Work.

Financial Statement of Widows' Fund of Treasurer Frank R. Van Nest.

Referred to Committee on Widows' Fund.

Financial Statement of Disabled Ministers Fund of Treasurer Frank R. Van Nest.

Referred to Committee on Disabled Ministers' Fund.

Overtures from 32 classes in regard to Pension Fund, referred to combined committees on the Widows' Fund and Disabled Ministers Fund.

Minutes of General Synod and the four Particular Synods were referred to the Committee on Synodical Minutes and References.

Overture from the Particular Synod of Chicago in reference to the catechising of children, referred to the Committee on Judicial Business.

Request of Rev. O. B. Close to speak in the interests of the Anti-Saloon League.

Request of Rev. H. L. Bowlby to speak in the interests of the Lord's Day Alliance.

Request for Rev. John Lamar to speak in the interests of the Chicago Tract Society.

Request of Women's Board of Domestic Missions that Rev. Isaac Messler be recognized as corresponding delegate from the Board, and be given the privileges of the floor.

Statement on the floor of Synod of Rev. I. W. Gowen, corresponding delegate to the Reformed Church in the United States.

Request of Rev. James I. Good to speak representing the Alliance of Reformed Churches holding the Presbyterian system (Western section).

Request for hearing for Rev. L. B. Chamberlain of American Bible Society.

Request for hearing for Rev. Judson Swift, in behalf of American Tract Society.

Request from Rev. G. D. Van Peursem to speak in behalf of the Syrian and Armenian Relief.

Communication from the Executive Commission of the Alliance of Reformed Churches throughout the World holding Presbyterian system relative to the publication of the works of the great reformers.

Report and Minutes of Executive Commission of Alliance of Reformed Churches holding Presbyterian system.

Annual Report and Minutes of Council of the Reformed Churches in America, holding the Presbyterian system.

Credentials of Rev. J. P. Searle, D. D., to represent Council of Reformed Church in America holding the Presbyterian system.

Communications to the Constituent Bodies from the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America.

All referred to the Committee on Correspondence and Religious Exercises.

Annual Reports of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America for the year 1916-7.

Address of Rev. Judson Swift, D. D.

Address of Rev. O. Bell Close, D. D.

Address of Rev. H. L. Bowlby, D. D.

Address of Rev. John Lamar.

Communication from the National Reform Association of Pittsburgh, Pa.

All referred to the Committee on Benevolent Societies.

Report of the Permanent Committee on Systematic Beneficence.

Statement of the Stated Clerk in regard to Other Benevolence Statistics.

All referred to the Committee on Systematic Beneficence.

Actions of the classes on the proposed amendment to section 113 of the constitution.

Overture from the Classis of Saratoga in regard to amendment to section 50 of the constitution.

Overture from Classis of Orange to amend section 21 of the constitution.

Overture from Classis of Palisades to amend section 113 of the constitution.

All referred to the Committee on Revision of the Constitution.

ARTICLE IV.

BOARD OF DIRECTION OF THE CORPORATION.

The following Report with accompanying document was received from the Board of Direction of the Corporation. It was referred to the Committee on Board of Direction.

Report of the Board of Direction

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America.

With the report of the Treasurer of the Church we respectfully offer the following statement: The Board has held monthly meetings and exercised the utmost care in the many details of the Trust. The bonds, mortgages and other securities have been personally inspected and found to agree with the statement of investment now submitted. From the treasurers of many Classes come urgent appeals to reduce the assessments on the churches made to provide funds to meet the cost of Synod and the enactments requiring funds. On behalf of these we urge Synod to exercise the utmost care in ordering such assessments.

In the past year we have received from the estate of Elizabeth Van Kleeck, for the Disabled Ministers' Fund \$43,389.00, and from the Estate of Lambert Suydam \$10,000.00. This Fund is now \$207,350.25. Within the year the Churches have given to it \$11,500.00. This is the largest amount ever received from this source.

There has been little increase in the Widows' Fund. To it the Churches have contributed \$11,000.00, together with annual payments by ministers towards income. It now amounts to \$119,300.11.

Dr. Wortman has to the limit of his power sought to interest the Churches and increase the Funds. We heartily recommend that he again be named their agent.

For several years the Board has realized, and urged upon the Church in its annual reports, the paramount necessity of adequately pensioning her aged ministers and their widows. A generation ago we led all communions in this, but have fallen far behind these. It is beyond the province of the Board to assume other responsibilities than those now carried. We suggest an adaptation of the methods recently adopted and now successfully followed by other branches of the Christian Church. It is of pri-

mary importance to have the facts gathered and collated, and on these formulate a practical and equitable system. A small commission of trained and consecrated men, granted full power and adequate support, should within a year prepare a working method.

Acting under the instructions of a past Synod the several organizations of the Church using the House, 25 East 22nd Street, has formulated plans to renovate and enlarge the property. In 1891 Synod authorized "the purchase of a Church House at a cost limit of \$100,000.00, the several Boards to pay such rents as may be mutually agreed upon." (Page 270, Minutes 1891). The report of the Board of Direction to the Synod of 1892 (page 502) states at length the history of the purchase for \$60,000.00, and the methods of meeting its costs so that the trust funds used should yield a proper income. Since then permanent improvements have cost \$17,000.00. The Joint Committee is therefore limited to \$23,000.00 to pay for the needed renovation. The plans, drawn nearly a year ago, although every effort was made to carry them through, could not be immediately followed; contractors hesitated in making estimates and abnormal conditions in the building trades have doubled the costs. We hope however to soon complete the improvements. Increased rentals will provide interest on the trust funds invested.

The Synod of 1916 adopted these resolutions (page 721). That the Board of Direction be directed to take such steps as may be required by law to increase the number of directors of the General Synod from 5 to 9, and to send in their nominations for such additional directors to the Synod of 1917.

"That the General Synod recommend to the Classes the following amendment to the constitution. 'Amend Sec. 113 of Article IX by striking out the word five and inserting in place thereof the word nine.'" Until the latter resolution is finally acted upon the Board is estopped from acting on the former.

The issue involved is of serious moment to the Church. A hundred years ago the Synod incorporated so as to legally hold and administer Trusts. The Board of five members has ever since acted as an Executive Committee for Synod. Each member is elected in turn by Synod for a period of five years. A careful study of the annual reports prove the constant and wise co-operation

of all the members in administering a sacred trust. It challenges a comparison with any similar trust. The funds have been so guarded that no losses have been incurred, an unusually large income, commensurate with the absolute safety of the principal, secured, and the cost of administration reduced to the lowest minimum. The present Board has no desire to perpetuate itself. We have freely given our services at the call of the Church. The counsel of the Board have for many years served without compensation. The history of more than one large Trust proves that a Board of many members tends to a merely formal interest on the part of a majority and consequent loss of funds through mismanagement. This statement looks to the future. The present personnel of the Board is of small moment, in the nature of things others must soon take our place. But we solemnly affirm that our personal experience and the advice of many disinterested trustees of other corporations lead us to urge the Synod to revoke the action of last year.

EXTRACT FROM THE REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTION TO THE
GENERAL SYNOD OF 1906.

The Synod of 1905 resolved as follows: "That the Board of Direction be directed to apply to the Legislature of the State of New York at its next regular session for an amendment of the Acts of Incorporation, and the act or acts amendatory thereof, so as to provide for the addition of two members to the directors of said corporation, so that General Synod may at their annual meetings appoint a president, five directors and a treasurer of said corporation."

In pursuance of this command the Board called to its aid Francis C. Reed, Esq., its Counsel, to whom the resolution was read. Mr. Reed propounded the following questions:

1st. Is the Board as constituted, in its own judgment, competent, and individually faithful, in meeting every obligation of its trust?

2nd. Has there been, since the oldest present member took office, any loss or waste of the funds of the Church?

3rd. In the judgment of the Board would the addition of two members conserve the interests committed to its care.

Cognizant of their responsibility, and of the issues involved, the first question was answered affirmatively and the second and third negatively by the members.

Mr. Reed submitted the following verbal opinion, which was transcribed and reaffirmed by him: "From long and intimate knowledge of the methods and actions of the Board as constituted, he could not advise application to the Legislature for the proposed amendment: 1st. Because the peculiar nature of the trust demanded individual care and constant attention on the part of the members. 2nd. Because the Board as constituted fully met its responsibility. 3d. Because it was the policy of the Legislature to restrict rather than enlarge the number of trustees of like incorporations, so as to concentrate responsibility. He further advised that the Board postpone action until the next Synod reconsidered the action of the last."

On receiving this opinion members of the Board informally consulted many competent and impartial members of the Church as to their duty in the premises. Their consensus of opinion is as follows: "That the Board as at present constituted is ample to fulfill the duties involved. That each member individually meets his responsibility by faithfully attending the regular monthly, and many special meetings, and personally interesting himself in every detail of the trust. That with a larger membership this sense of responsibility would be necessarily lessened, and the interests of the Church suffer proportionately."

In view of this counsel the present members faced a dilemma. It is their first desire to promptly, fully and without prejudice meet the commands of Synod; on the other hand they could not in this case justify themselves by obeying its direction. Therefore, after due deliberation, the Board unanimously requests the Synod of 1906 to reconsider this action of the last Synod.

EXTRACT FROM THE MINUTES OF GENERAL SYNOD JUNE, 1906.

The Committee on the Board of Direction of the Corporation presented their report. It was accepted and adopted, and is as follows:

In regard to the matter of increasing the membership of the Board of Direction, and the direction of the last Synod that the Board apply to the Legislature for an amendment to their Act of Incorporation permitting the same, your committee would submit the following opinion of Mr. Francis C. Reed, the Board's counsel, to whom the resolution was referred. Mr. Reed propounded the following questions:

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In furtherance of this opinion of Mr. Reed's, your committee would recommend that the action of Synod be re-considered, and that no addition be made to the present membership of the Board of Direction. The Board is performing its duties in a perfectly satisfactory manner as it is now constituted and, as Mr. Reed suggests, in increasing its number would lessen the personal responsibility of its members.

The Board has paid the four professors in the Theological Seminary, at New Brunswick, N. J., the additional \$250.00 on their

salaries for the past year and recommend that the same amount be paid to them for the coming year.

The member of the Board whose term of office ends with this meeting of Synod is Mr. William L. Brower.

The following is the list of monies received i. e. for the several funds during the year, viz.:

The Theological Seminary at New Brunswick, N. J.

Legacy of Mrs. Katharine S. Du Bois, balance.....	\$1,250 00
Legacy of Mary S. Sanborn.....	1,000 00
Second Ref. Church, New Brunswick, N. J.....	10 00
Plattekill Ref. Church, Mt. Marion, N. Y.....	3 25
Highwoods Ref. Church, Saugerties, N. Y.....	1 46
Temporary expenses	2,199 49
Alumni Fund, per Rev. Hy. Lockwood, Treasurer...	175 00
Library Alcove Endowment, legacy of Miss Josephine Hopkins	1,000 00
Museum of the Theological Seminary, legacy of John S. Bussing	2,000 00

Endowment of the Widows' Fund.....

Payment by Minister at one time, 3 per cent. on \$1,250	37 50
Discount premium on bonds.....	5 47
Withdrawn payment by Minister at one time.....	500 00

Disabled Ministers' Fund, "Endowment."

Bequest of Lambert Suydam, memorial to his brother James Suydam	10,000 00
Legacy of Miss Cornelia Veeder by First Ref. Church, Schenectady, N. Y.	1,000 00
Legacy of Elizabeth Van Kleeck, one-third of residuary estate	43,389 44
Legacy of Chas. S. Ward, 1-12—Residuary estate, bal.	75
Mrs. P. M. Doolittle, donation.....	200 00

Disabled Ministers' Fund, Income.

From Churches and individuals.....	11,431 83
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Interest on Fund, net.....	7,365 13
Appropriation to Rev. C. A. Conant, deceased, re- turned	100 00
Payments	17,367 34

Widows' Fund, Income.

From Churches, individuals and annual payments...	10,773 29
Interest on annual payments, deferred.....	59 87
Interest on Fund, net.....	5,663 67
Payments	15,159 84
Transfer to Widows' Fund, 3 per cent. on \$1,250, payment by Ministers at one time.....	37 50

Education Fund.

Legacy of Catherine Jane Peyer, on account.....	1,200 00
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WM. N. CLARK,

President.

JOSEPH R. DURYEE, D. D.,

WM. L. BROWER,

JOHN M. KYLE,

FRANK R. VAN NEST,

Directors.

New York, May 1, 1917.

EQUITABLE BUILDING, 120 Broadway, New York, May 24, 1917.

Mr. William N. Clark, President,
Board of Direction,
Reformed Church in America,
New York City, New York.

DEAR SIR:—Having completed our audit of the books of account and cash transactions as shown by the records of the Treasurer of the Board of Direction for the year ended April 30th, 1917, we submit herewith

STATEMENT OF CONDITION

as at April 30th, 1917.

CASH SUMMARY FOR YEAR

ended April 30th, 1917.

We find that the total amount of bequests and donations, of which the principal is to be invested, is one million seven hundred twenty thousand three hundred fifteen dollars and seventeen cents (\$1,720,315.17); also that the total amount of income which will be disbursed subsequent to April 30th, 1917, according to the stipulations of bequests or donations or which is to be paid to the several church boards, is fifty-nine thousand nine hundred seventy-six dollars and ninety-four cents (\$59,976.94); which has been accounted for as shown in the attached statement of conditions.

By a perusal of the cash summary, attached hereto, it will be noticed that the total principal receipts during the year amounted to one hundred seventeen thousand five hundred forty-four dollars and fifty-one cents (\$117,544.51); while, ninety-eight thousand two hundred ninety-six dollars and eighteen cents (\$98,296.18); was invested, there being twenty-two thousand six hundred sixty-eight dollars and twenty-four cents (\$22,668.24) available for investment.

We would call your attention to the fact that during the year ended April 30th, 1917, the proportion of net earnings credited to the Widows' Fund Income amounted to five thousand eight hundred ninety-five dollars and five cents (\$5,895.05), which together with the contributions by churches and individuals amounting to ten thousand eight hundred thirty-three dollars and sixteen cents (\$10,833.16), making a total of sixteen thousand seven hundred twenty-eight dollars and twenty-one cents (\$16,728.21), from which payments have been made amounting to fifteen thousand four hundred twenty-eight dollars and seventy-two cents (\$15,428.72).

A similar condition prevailed as to the Disabled Ministers' Fund Income, as the proportion of net earnings credited amounted to seven thousand six hundred sixty-one dollars and sixty-eight cents (\$7,661.68), which, together with the contributions by churches and individuals amounting to eleven thousand five hundred thirty-one dollars and eighty-three cents (\$11,531.83), making a total of nineteen thousand one hundred ninety-three dollars and fifty-one cents (\$19,193.51), from which payments have been made, amounting to seventeen thousand six hundred sixty three dollars and eighty-nine cents (\$17,663.89).

It will therefore be seen that there is a constant and heavy call upon the income from these invested funds, and if the good work of the past is to be continued or enlarged upon, it would appear to us as important that your representatives to the General Synod earnestly urge the representatives of the churches that if possible they increase the amount of their former contributions.

We have verified the amount shown as balance in the Corn Exchange Bank as well as verified by inspection the several bonds and mortgages, also stocks and bonds as shown in the attached statement of condition. The amount shown as real estate and property consists of the original cost together with subsequent expenditures. We have satisfied ourselves that all cash transactions have been properly accounted for.

Respectfully submitted,

McWHORTER, BOYCE, HUGHES AND FARRELL,

By, CHAS. F. McWHORTER,

Certified Public Accountant,

University of the State of New York.

GENERAL SYNOD REFORMED CHURCH IN AMERICA.
STATEMENT OF CONDITION APRIL 30, 1917.

PRINCIPAL FUNDS TO BE INVESTED:

Education Fund	\$230,358	74
Parochial School Fund	11,507	50
Permanent Seminary Fund	195,885	03
Donation of Colonel Henry Rutgers	5,000	00
Permanent Contingent Fund	9,984	04
Widows' Fund	119,300	11
Disabled Ministers' Fund	207,350	25
John Antonides Scholarship Fund	97,111	73
Bequest of H. J. Meenk	384	00
James Suydam Professorial Fund	60,000	00
George A. Sandham Scholarship Fund	4,000	00
James Suydam Fund for repairs and improvements, Professorial Dwellings	11,135	00
Legacy of Mrs. Ann Hertzog for repairs to Peter Hertzog Hall	10,000	00
Board of Foreign Missions	12,206	08
Board of Domestic Missions	15,159	08
Hope College Endowment Fund	53,420	06
A. C. Van Raalte Professorship of Didactic and Polemic Theology in Western Theological Sem- inary	30,000	00
C. Van der Meulen second Professorship in Western Theological Seminary	30,000	00
James A. H. Cornell Professorship of Historical Theo- logy in Western Theological Seminary	30,000	00
Fourth Professorship in Western Theological Semin- ary	9,495	09
Property and Contingent Fund of Western Theolog- ical Seminary	6,474	30
Augustus Elmendorf Theological Educational Fund ..	2,383	00
Arcot Theological Seminary Fund	58,673	78
Margaret Antoinette Thompson Fund	2,000	00
James Anderson Memorial Fund	1,169	21
G. A. Sage Endowment for Support and Maintenance of Peter Hertzog Hall	25,000	00
Endowment Fund for Support and Maintenance of G. A. Sage Library	35,015	00
Endowment Fund for the purchase of books for G. A. Sage Library	20,000	00
G. A. Sage Professorial Fund	50,000	00
James Suydam legacy for Support and Maintenance of Jas. Suydam Hall	20,000	00
James Suydam legacy for repairs and improvements of Seminary buildings and grounds	20,000	00
Nathan F. Graves Lecture Fund	8,114	00
Church Building Fund	4,728	00
Library Alcove Endowment	18,214	42
Abraham J. Swit's Scholarship Fund in Western The- ological Seminary	1,825	00
Angelina Silvernail Fund	25,000	00
Alida Van Schaick Legacy	109,669	10
Library of Theological Seminary, New Brunswick, N. J.	5,000	00
S. Helen Knieskern Annuity	1,000	00
Archibald Laidlie, D. D., Memorial Fund	5,000	00
Ralph Voorhees Fund	25,000	00
Board of Publication	2,193	12
Mrs. Ann Hertzog Memorial Fund	72,750	00
Catskill Church Faculty Fund	5,000	00
Fund for Professorial Dwelling	47	63
Alumni Endowment Fund for Theological Seminary, New Brunswick, N. J.	6,486	01
Property Fund of the Theological Seminary, New Brunswick, N. J.	14,536	48
Museum, Theological Seminary at New Brunswick, N. J. Legacy of John S. Bussing	2,000	00
Legacy of Mrs. Anna H. Carver	25,000	00
Legacy of Rev. Peter Lepeltak in trust for Arabian Missions	1,505	50
Legacy of Mrs. Mary B. Pell for the benefit of the Theological Seminary, New Brunswick, N. J.	13	91

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Legacy of Abie J. Bell income, in perpetuity to be credited one-half each to Disabled Ministers' Fund Income and Permanent Seminary Fund Income	220 00	
Bequest of Annie M. Van Zandt in trust	4,000 00	
		\$1,720,315 17

INCOME FROM INVESTMENT OF FUNDS NOT AS YET DISBURSED:

Education Fund	\$2,155 64	
Parochial School Fund	86 42	
Permanent Seminary Fund	7,426 69	
Donation of Colonel Henry Rutgers	240 30	
Widows Fund	11,943 85	
Disabled Ministers' Fund	10,949 93	
John Antonides' Scholarship Fund	729 51	
Bequest of H. J. Meenk	2 89	
James Suydam Professorial Fund	975 71	
George A. Sandham Scholarship Fund	324 62	
James Suydam Fund for repairs and improvements, Professorial Dwellings	279 04	
Legacy of Mrs. Ann Hertzog for repairs to Peter Hertzog Hall	275 12	
Board of Foreign Missions	304 93	
Board of Domestic Missions	370 23	
Hope College Endowment Fund	338 09	
Salary Fund of Western Theological Seminary	1,995 75	
Property Fund of Western Theological Seminary	107 59	
Augustus Elmendorf Theological Educational Fund	113 22	
Expense Fund	2,022 01	
Arctot Theological Seminary Fund	445 32	
Margaret Antoinette Thompson Fund	15 02	
G. A. Sage Endowment for Support and Maintenance of Peter Hertzog Hall	637 80	
Endowment Fund for Support and Maintenance of G. A. Sage Library	913 63	
Endowment Fund for purchase of books for G. A. Sage Library	550 24	
G. A. Sage Professorial Fund	313 09	
James Suydam legacy for support and maintenance of Jas. Suydam Hall	550 24	
James Suydam legacy for repairs and improvements of Seminary buildings and grounds	550 24	
Nathan F. Graves Lecture Fund	385 51	
Church Building Fund	124 64	
Library Alcove Endowment	417 87	
Abraham J. Swit's Scholarship Fund in Western Theological Seminary	256 30	
Entertainment Fund	2,641 55	
Angelina Silvernail Fund	923 37	
Alida Van Schaick Legacy	2,344 63	
Library of Theological Seminary, New Brunswick, N. J.	237 56	
Helen S. Knieskern Annuity	50 00	
Archibald Laidlie, D. D., Memorial Fund	237 56	
Board of Publication	54 20	
Mrs. Ann Hertzog Memorial Fund	4,437 09	
Catskill Church Faculty Fund	237 56	
Special Fund for Expenses of Theological Seminary, New Brunswick, N. J.	109 04	
Alumni Endowment Fund for Theological Seminary, New Brunswick, N. J.	893 35	
Property Fund of the Theological Seminary, New Brunswick, N. J.	440 63	
Prof. John H. Raven, Income on proceeds, Professorial Dwelling Fund, New Brunswick, N. J.	62 46	
Contingent Expenses, Western Theological Seminary ..	236 75	
Legacy of Mrs. Anna H. Carver	1,187 80	
Legacy of Rev. Peter Lepeltak in trust for Arabian Missions	71 50	
Legacy of Abie J. Bell for Disabled Ministers' Fund and Permanent Seminary Fund	10 45	
		\$59,976 94
		26 29

REPAIR FUND, unexpended balance

TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR

\$1,780,318 40

JUNE, 1917.

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ACCOUNTED FOR AS FOLLOWS:

Bonds and Mortgages	\$1,376,326 00	
Stocks and Bonds	32,612 96	
		\$1,408,938 96
Real Estate	\$115,949 36	
Van Schaick Legacy, Real Estate	40,000 00	
Property, 25 East 22nd St., New York	77,027 43	
		\$232,976 79

ARCOT SEMINARY FUND:

Bonds and Mortgages	\$42,900 00	
Stocks and Bonds	4,000 00	
Real Estate	8,831 18	
		\$55,731 18

CASH IN CORN EXCHANGE BANK:

Principal of Funds uninvested	\$22,668 24	
Income from investment of funds not yet disbursed	60,003 23	
		\$82,671 47

TOTAL ACCOUNTED FOR		\$1,780,318 40
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GENERAL SYNOD.

BOARD OF DIRECTION REFORMED CHURCH IN AMERICA.

CASH SUMMARY.

Year Ended April 30, 1917.

PRINCIPAL:

Balance, May 1, 1916 \$3,419 91

Receipts:

Legacies	\$62,629 78
Church Contributions	14 71
Individual Contributions	1,375 00
Proceeds of sale of 2 shares Preferred and 1 share common Wheeling & Lake Erie R. R. Co. stock carried at no value	15 31
Bonds and Mortgages Repaid	52,125 00
Sale of old boiler—25 East 22nd St.	33 00
Income credited to or transferred to principal of funds	1,351 71

Total	\$117,544 51
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	\$120,964 42
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Disbursements:

Bond and Mortgage Loans	83,000 00
Real Estate	1,372 34
Arcot Theological Seminary Fund—Real Estate....	831 18
Widows' Fund—Payment to Rev. James Cantine....	500 00
Presessorial Dwelling Fund	11,092 66
Angelina Silvernail Seminary Fund	800 00
Legacy of Mrs. Mary B. Pell	700 00

	\$12,592 66
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Total	\$98,296 18
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Balance, April 30, 1917	\$22,668 24
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INCOME:

Balance, May 1, 1916 \$53,030 12

Receipts:

Contingent Expenses, General Synod	\$6,248 36
Entertainment Fund, General Synod	2,858 74
Widows' Fund, General Synod	5,637 75
From Churches for pastors	2,628 63
From Ministers for annual payments	2,566 78
Disabled Ministers' Fund	11,431 83
Arcot Theological Seminary	3,579 47
Rents	13,183 15
Interest	71,491 40
Miscellaneous Contributions	7,173 11
Miscellaneous Refunds	602 17

Total	\$127,401 39
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	\$180,431 51
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Disbursements:

Fund Income Payments	\$68,517 80
Widows' Fund	14,859 84
Disabled Ministers' Fund	16,067 34
Rev. D. Wortman	1,500 00
Entertainment Fund	3,050 00
Expense Account, General Synod	8,277 33
Real Estate Expenses	2,485 51
Property Expenses, 25 East 22nd St., N. Y.	1,902 25
Expenses apportioned to Boards	3,216 50
Income transferred to Principal of Funds	551 71

Total	\$120,428 28
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Balance, April 30, 1917	\$60,003 23
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TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT.

The General Synod of the Reformed Church in America

IN ACCOUNT WITH

FRANK R. VAN NEST, Treasurer.

Balance brought forward from last report \$56,450 03

LEGACIES RECEIVED FOR SPECIFIED PURPOSES:

Catherine Jane Prver, for Education Fund	\$1,200 00
Mrs. Katherine S. Du Bois, for Permanent Seminary Fund	1,250 00
Mary B. Sanborn, for Permanent Seminary Fund....	1,000 00
Estate Chas. S. Ward, for Disabled Ministers' Fund...	75
Lambert Suydam, as memorial for his brother, James Suydam, for Disabled Ministers' Fund	10,000 00
Miss Cornelia Veeder, for Disabled Ministers' Fund..	1,000 00
Elizabeth Van Kleeck, for Disabled Ministers' Fund...	43,389 44
Kommer Schaddelee, for Western Theological Seminary Fund	1,789 59
Miss Josephine Hopkins, for Library Alcove Endowment, Theological Seminary of New Brunswick, N. J.	1,000 00
John S. Bussing, Museum of Theological Seminary, New Brunswick, N. J.	2,000 00

Total \$62,629 78

CHURCH CONTRIBUTIONS FOR SPECIFIED PURPOSES:

Highwood Reformed Church, for Permanent Seminary Fund	1 46
Second Reformed Church of New Brunswick, N. J., for Permanent Seminary Fund	10 00
Plattekill Reformed Church, Mt. Marion, N. Y., for Permanent Seminary Fund	3 25

Total \$14 71

INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS FOR SPECIFIED PURPOSES:

Mrs. P. M. Doolittle, for Disabled Ministers' Fund.....	\$200 00
Through Professor Zwemer, for Western Theological Seminary	1,000 00
Alumni Association of Theological Seminary, New Brunswick, N. J.	175 00

Total \$1,375 00

BONDS AND MORTGAGES REPAID \$52,125 00

Proceeds of sale of 2 shares of preferred and 1 share of common Wheeling and Lake Erie R. R. Co. stock	\$15 31
Sale of old boiler, 25 East 22nd St., New York	33 00

To Cash received from the following Classes for Contingent Expenses of General Synod, during the year, viz: April 30, 1917.

Classis of Montgomery	1915	\$235 29
" " Poughkeepsie	"	104 03
" " Kingston	"	103 83

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North Classis of Long Island, balance.....	"	75 06
Classis of New York	1916	640 67
" Hudson	"	94 50
" Rensselaer	"	102 26
" Iowa	"	249 43
" Pella	"	100 40
" Wisconsin	"	362 52
" Germania	"	35 18
" Bergen	"	118 74
" Ulster	"	120 69
" Passaic	"	164 65
" Cascades	"	11 27
" Grand River	"	289 95
" New Brunswick.....	1915	137 05
" Westchester	1916	170 52
" Schoharie	"	51 46
" Philadelphia	"	124 69
" Dakota	"	63 10
" Albany	"	160 82
" Orange	"	173 98
" Palisades	"	192 93
" Greene	"	75 05
South Classis of Long Island	"	362 12
Classis of Monmouth	"	81 70
" Saratoga	"	74 89
" Raritan	"	180 78
" Holland	"	242 87
" Rochester	"	163 39
" Kingston	"	108 16
" Paramus	"	317 92
" Montgomery	"	236 52
South Classis of Bergen	"	190 05
North " " Long Island	"	150 00
Classis of Schenectady	"	181 89
Total		\$6,248 36

To Cash received from the following Classes for the Entertainment Fund of General Synod, during the year, viz:

April 30, 1917.

Classis of Montgomery	1915	\$68 63
" Poughkeepsie	"	30 85
" Kingston	"	30 28
" New York	1916	286 12
" Raritan	"	80 57
" Hudson	"	42 19
" Rensselaer	"	45 66
" Iowa	"	111 43
" Pella	"	44 82
" Wisconsin	"	162 00
" Germania	"	15 71
" Bergen	"	53 01
" Ulster	"	53 80
" Cascades	"	5 03
" Grand River	"	129 61
" New Brunswick	1915	39 98
" Westchester	1916	76 10
" Schoharie	"	22 97
" Newark	"	144 44
" Dakota	"	28 17
" Albany	"	71 66
" Palisades	"	86 00
" Orange	"	77 54
" Greene	"	33 50
" Passaic	"	73 37
" Monmouth	"	36 47
" Saratoga	"	33 44
South Classis of Long Island	"	161 81
North Classis of Long Island	"	115 59
Classis of Holland	"	108 50
" Rochester	"	72 81
" Kingston	"	48 29
" Paramus	"	142 03
" Montgomery	"	105 50

South Classis of Bergen.....	"	84 62
Classis of Philadelphia	"	55 67
" " Schenectady	"	81 07

Total \$2,858 74

WIDOWS' FUND.

Received Personal Contributions during the year, viz:

April 30, 1917.

Mrs. C. L. Wells	\$100 00
Mrs. John D. Parsons, Jr.	100 00
Two Friends	50 00
"Kingston"	55 00
For Rev. Henry de Vries	30 00
Mrs. Elizabeth Garretson	25 00
Friend in Jersey	10 00
"M."	10 00
Mr. Jacob DeYoung	5 16
Miss M. L. Varick	5 00
Miss Maria B. Labagh	5 00
Mr. John Vanderbilt	1 00
Rev. J. L. Amerman, D. D.	67

\$396 83

Interest on deferred annual payments 59 87

Received from Churches, during year, for detail refer to
Tabular Statement, in Minutes at General Synod,
1917

\$5,181 05

\$5,637 75

Cash received from churches to apply to the credit of
Pastors, during the year, viz:

1916.			
May 3.	Ref. Ch. Beacon, N. Y., Rev. A. C.		
	V. Dangremond	\$20 00	
5.	" Owasco, N. Y., Rev. Geo.		
	G. Seibert	20 00	
5.	" Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Rev.		
	Clifford P. Case	30 00	
6. First	" Albany, N. Y., Rev. J. S.		
	Kittell, D. D.	20 00	
8. S. S. of First	" Long Island City, N. Y.,		
	Rev. D. P. Doyle, D. D.	5 43	
11. First	" Orange City, Iowa, Rev.		
	John Engiesman	40 00	
11.	" Flushing, N. Y., Rev. T.		
	H. MacKenzie, D. D.	20 00	
11.	" Alto, Wis., H. J. Pietenpol		
	of the Ger. Ev. Ref. Ch.	20 00	
16. Tabitha Verein	Hoboken, N. J., Rev. John		
	Rudolph	20 00	
16. First	" Jamaica, N. Y., Rev. Robt.		
	K. Wick	40 00	
15.	" West Sayville, N. Y., Rev.		
	C. Muller	13 70	
15.	" Grandville, Mich., Rev. J.		
	G. Brouwer	13 75	
June 5. New Concord	" Ghent, N. Y., Rev. John		
	Black	2 05	
5. Second	" Paterson, N. J., Rev. Wm.		
	J. Lonsdale	30 00	
7.	" LaFayette, Ind., Rev. P.		
	Siegers	5 46	
6.	" Altamont, N. Y., Rev.		
	Geo. W. Furbeck	20 00	
8. Ocean Hill	" Brooklyn, N. Y., Rev. And-		
	rew Hageman	4 09	
12.	" Coopersville, Mich., Rev.		
	A. DeYoung	20 00	
15. Flatlands	" Brooklyn, N. Y., Rev.		
	Chas. W. Roeder	30 00	

GENERAL SYNOD.

	22.		Ref. Ch. Gano, Ill., Rev. John Sietsema	12 00
	26.	First	" Pella, Ia., Rev. John Wesselink	30 00
	29.		" Friesland, Wis., Rev. A. Vanderwerf	20 00
	30.	First	" New Brunswick, N. J., Rev. J. S. Hogan	12 00
July	5.	American	" Newburgh, N. Y., Rev. M. Seymour Purdy	20 00
	5.	Broadway	" Paterson, N. J., Rev. Simon Blocker	5 14
	7.		" Queens, N. Y., Rev. J. S. N. Demarest	20 00
	7.	First	" Grand Rapids, Mich., Rev. J. Alex. Brown	30 00
	7.	Cortlandtown	" Montrose, N. Y., Rev. Claus Olandt	20 00
	7.		" North Blendon, Mich., Rev. J. J. Burgraaff	4 25
	17.		" Doon, Iowa, Rev. E. S. Schilstra	5 38
	18.		" Niskayuna, N. Y., Rev. C. P. Ditmars	20 00
	18.	Immanuel	" Belmond, Iowa, Rev. E. H. Thormann	20 00
Aug.	3.		" Germantown, N. Y., Rev. Benj. F. White	7 98
	11.	First	" Passaic, N. J., Rev. Edw. Dawson	30 00
	11.		" Otley, Iowa, Rev. Peter Grooters	20 00
	13.		" Shandakin, N. Y., Rev. Geo. W. Gulick	2 40
	21.	First Jerusalem	" Feura Bush, N. Y., Rev. Theo. A. Hageman	20 00
Sept.	2.		" Chatham, N. Y., Rev. W. J. Leggett	20 00
	9.		" Claverack, N. Y., Rev. H. Hageman	20 00
	9.	First	" Sioux Center, Ia., Rev. F. Lubbers	30 00
	13.	First	" Coxsackie, N. Y., Rev. Wm. A. Dumont	7 81
	18.		" Ellenville, N. Y., Rev. Walter S. Maines	24 50
	18.	Abbe	" Clymer, N. Y., Rev. A. Klerk	16 00
	19.		" Altamont, N. Y., Rev. G. W. Furbeck	20 00
	23.		" Germantown, N. Y., Rev. Benj. F. White	10 00
	23.		" Holland, Nebr., Rev. Z. Roetman	7 60
	26.		" Newkirk, Ia., Rev. R. D. Douwstra	20 00
	30.	First	" Kalamazoo, Mich., Rev. John Steunenberg	20 00
	30.		" Zeeland, Mich., Rev. P. F. Cheff	30 00
	30.		" Hackensack, N. J., Rev. A. Von Schlieder	30 00
	30.		" Jersey City, N. J., Rev. W. Reese Hart	20 00
Oct.	2.		" Fairview, Ill., Rev. J. P. Winter	20 00
	2.		" Florida, N. Y., Rev. R. A. Pearse	5 00
	3.	Broadway	" Paterson, N. J., Rev. S. Blocker	4 95
	4.		" Lisha's Kill, N. Y., Rev. J. O. Van Fleet	20 00
	6.	Gallatin	" Mt. Ross, N. Y., Rev. F. A. Force	20 00

	9.	First	Ref. Ch. New Brunswick, N. J.,		
			Rev. J. S. Hogan	8	00
	9.	Staten Island	" Port Richmond, N. Y.,		
			Rev. C. F. Mohn	30	00
	9.	Bethany Mis. Fd.	" Clara City, Minn., Rev.		
			Christp. Bauer	30	00
	10.	Second	" Cossackie, N. Y., Rev. S.		
			T. Clifton	20	00
	10.	Bellevue	" Schenectady, N. Y., Rev.		
			Cornls. DeYoung	20	00
	14.	DeMotte	" Thayer, Ind., Rev. Peter		
			Swart	30	00
	14.	First	" Grand Haven, Mich., Rev.		
			Hy. Harmeling	20	00
	14.		" Pottersville, N. J., Rev.		
			A. Westveer	6	00
	17.	First	" College Point, N. Y., Rev.		
			Henry Sluyter	30	00
	20.	Bergen	" Jersey City, N. J., Rev.		
			Cornls. Brett, D. D. . . .	20	00
	25.	Third	" Muskegon, Mich., Rev.		
			John Broek	10	00
	28.		" Wellsburg, Ia., Rev. Wm.		
			Landsiedel	30	00
	28.	Second	" New Brunswick, N. J.,		
			Rev. John A. Ingham . . .	30	00
	28.		" Canajoharie, N. Y., Rev.		
			Victor J. Blekkink	20	00
	31.		" Sayville, N. Y., Rev. C.		
			Muller	20	00
	31.		" Scotia, N. Y., Rev. H. B.		
			Roberts	20	00
	31.	First	" Somerville, N. J., Rev. W.		
			S. Cranmer, D. D. . . .	20	00
Nov.	1.		" South Branch, N. J., Rev.		
			Isaac Sperling	2	49
	3.		" Neshanic, N. J., Rev. John		
			Hart	3	00
	11.		" Bloomington, N. Y., Rev.		
			A. A. Zabriskie	20	00
	13.	First	" Catskill, N. Y., Rev. John		
			A. Dykstra	20	00
	14.	Clinton Ave.	" Newark, N. J., Rev. Al-		
			bertus T. Broek	20	00
	15.	Madison Ave.	" Albany, N. Y., Rev. N.		
			I. M. Bogert	20	00
	15.		" Clifton, N. J., Rev. J. C.		
			A. Becker	30	00
	22.	People's Park	" Paterson, N. J., Rev.		
			Titus Hager	40	00
Dec.	1.	Trinity	" Plainfield, N. J., Rev.		
			John Y. Broek	20	35
	5.	Miss'y Soc'y	" Pompton Plains, N. J.,		
			Rev. F. E. Foertner . . .	20	00
	6.		" Portage, Mich., Rev. Wm.		
			S. Gruys	6	00
	11.	First	" Maurice, Iowa, Rev. John		
			Vander Beek	8	82
	14.		" Cedar Grove, Wis., Rev.		
			C. Kuyper	25	00
	18.	First	" Maurice, Iowa, Rev. John		
			Vander Beek	23	09
	20.		" Holland, Nebr., Rev. Z.		
			Roetman	1	45
	22.		" Mount Vernon, N. Y., Rev.		
			C. H. Tyndall	4	65
1917.					
Jan.	2.	S.S. of First	" Hospers, Iowa, Rev. Geo.		
			H. Douwstra	20	00
	4.	First	" Roseland, Ill., Rev. J. F.		
			Heemstra	30	00
	8.	Linlithgo	" Livingston, N. Y., Rev. M.		
			J. Den Herder	20	00
	13.	Broadway	" Paterson, N. J., Rev. S.		
			Blocker	6	57

15.		Ref. Ch. Holland, Nebr., Rev. Z. Roetman	15 59
19.		" Neshanic, N. J., Rev. John Hart	2 60
24.	South Bushwick	" Brooklyn, N. Y., Rev. A. J. Meyer	20 00
23.		" Beacon, N. Y., Rev. A. C. V. Dangremond	20 00
Feb. 2.	Second	" Englewood, Ill., Rev. L. Dykstra	12 00
14.		" Mount Vernon, N. Y., Rev. C. H. Tyndall	4 85
23.		" Holland, Nebr., Rev. Z. Roetman	10 00
Mar. 12.	L. Aid So. Gano	" Chicago, Ill., John Sietsema	5 00
15.	Fourth	" Grand Rapids, Mich., Rev. H. Frieling	20 00
16.	Ebenezer	" Morrison, Ill., Rev. Jean A. Vis	11 90
20.	First	" Ridgewood, N. J., Rev. John A. Van Neste	20 00
23.	Third	" Holland, Mich., Rev. M. Flipse	20 00
26.		" Doon, Ia., Rev. E. S. Schilstra	10 70
27.	Holland	" Clifton, N. J., Rev. J. K. E. TeGrootenhuis	20 00
29.		" Ellenville, N. Y., Rev. Walter S. Maines	20 00
30.	Silver Cr. Ger	" German Valley, Ill., Rev. Geo. Schnucker	20 00
30.		" Metuchen, N. J., Rev. John W. Van Zanten	20 00
Apr. 2.		" Hasbrouck Hgts., N. J., P. T. Pockman, D. D.	10 00
3.	First	" Rock Valley, Ia., Rev. B. De Jonge	20 00
4.	First	" Brooklyn, N. Y., Rev. Jas. M. Farrar, D. D.	20 00
5.	First	" Orange City, Ia., Rev. John Engleman	40 00
6.	Union	" Paterson, N. J., Rev. A. Karremann	30 00
9.	Fifth St.	" Bayonne, N. J., Rev. F. Wilson	40 00
9.	Grove	" New Durham, N. J., Rev. I. W. Gowen	20 00
10.	First Ger. Evan.	" Jersey City, N. J., Rev. Geo. Muller	40 00
10.	First Holland	" Passaic, N. J., Rev. A. M. Van Duine	20 00
10.	Bellevue	" Schenectady, N. Y., Rev. C. DeYoung	20 00
12.	Free Grace	" Middleburg, Iowa., Rev. H. Douwstra	40 00
12.	St. John's Ger.	" Jersey City, N. J., Rev. G. Andreae	40 00
12.		" Harlingen, N. J., Rev. W. L. Sahler	30 00
12.	Emmanuel	" Castleton-on-Hudson, Rev. E. A. MacCullum	20 00
13.		" Fultonville, N. Y., Rev. Theo. A. Hageman	20 00
15.	West Side	" Chicago, Ill., Rev. H. J. Pieterpol	7 00
16.		" Mt. Vernon, N. Y., Rev. Chas. H. Tyndall, bal. 1916	10 50
16.		" Mt. Vernon, N. Y., Rev. Chas. H. Tyndall, acct. 1917	9 74
19.	Fifth	" Philadelphia, Pa., Rev. C. F. C. Suckow	20 00
20.	Ger. Evan.	" Jamaica, N. Y., Rev. Fred. Stoebener	20 00

23.		Ref. Ch. Neshanic, N. J., Rev. John Hart	2 15
23.	Edgewood	" Brooklyn, N. Y., Rev. Wouters	22 00
25.		" Fonda, N. Y., Rev. H. C. Cussler	30 00
27.	Cortlandtown	" Montrose, N. Y., Rev. Claus Olandt	10 00
27.	Bethel	" Leota, Minn., Rev. J. J. V. D. Schaaf	2 50
27.	Bethany	" Chicago, Ill., Rev. John Lamar	40 00
28.	First	" Albany, N. Y., Rev. Dr. Kittell	20 00
28.	Fourth Raritan	" Somerville, N. J., Rev. H. J. Wahl	7 50
30.		" Alvord, Ia., Rev. D. Scholten	2 50
30.	First	" Long Island City, N. Y., Rev. D. P. Doyle	7 19
30.	Calvary	" Hagaman, N. Y., Rev. C. V. W. Bedford	36 00

\$2,628 63

Cash received from Ministers for annual payments to the Widows' Fund during the year, viz:

1916.			
May	4.	Rev. F. S. Schenck	\$20 00
	4.	" B. M. Flikkema	20 00
	4.	" G. Veenker	20 00
	10.	" B. Van Heuvelen	30 00
	11.	" John G. Fagg, D. D.	20 00
	11.	" O. J. Hogan, on account	10 00
	12.	" D. Wortman	20 00
	16.	" John Hoffman	29 00
	15.	" J. G. Brouwer	6 25
June	3.	" M. V. Oggel	20 00
	7.	" P. Siegers	24 54
	9.	" James Ossewarde	20 00
	12.	" John Luxen	20 00
	22.	" H. W. Brink	20 00
	29.	" Herman DeWitt, on account	10 00
July	10.	" H. Pannkuk	20 00
	12.	" Sidney O. Lawsing	20 00
	14.	" O. J. Hogan, balance	10 00
	18.	" Theo. F. Bayles	30 00
	18.	" Chas. S. Wright	20 00
	28.	" W. E. Compton	30 00
Aug.	2.	" J. E. Lyall	20 00
	2.	" P. T. Pockman, D. D.	90 00
	5.	" David C. Weidner	20 00
	7.	" N. H. Van Arsdale	20 00
	9.	" Garret Hondelink	20 00
	16.	" W. J. Van Kersen	20 00
	17.	" Henry D. Cook	20 00
	25.	" James Cantine	20 00
	23.	" S. E. Koster	30 00
	30.	" Peter Crispell	20 00
	30.	" Herman DeWitt, balance	10 00
	31.	" John Ossewaarde	20 00
Sept.	1.	" Jno. G. Gebhard, D. D.	20 00
	1.	" Lewis R. Scudder, M. D.	20 00
	1.	" W. T. Scudder	20 00
	1.	" E. S. Booth	20 00
	1.	" A. Pieters	20 00
	1.	" H. V. S. Peeke	20 00
	1.	" A. Oltmans, D. D.	20 00
	1.	" A. L. Warnshuis	20 00
	1.	" C. E. Calverly	20 00
	1.	" W. G. Hockje	20 00
	1.	" B. Rottschaefer	20 00
	1.	" D. C. Ruigh	30 00
	9.	" L. Dykstra, balance	32 78
	9.	" F. S. Scudder	20 00

Sept.	9.	Rev. G. C. Dangremond	20 00
	11.	P. S. Beekman	20 00
	13.	Edw. G. Read, D. D.	20 00
	13.	Wm. A. Dumont	12 19
	15.	Geo. W. Labaw	20 00
	21.	John Baumeister	20 00
	21.	Henry Unglaub	20 00
	23.	Benj. F. White	2 02
	23.	J. Meulendyke	19 00
	23.	John H. Warnshuis	20 00
	26.	A. Westveer	10 00
	28.	John H. Straks	20 00
	29.	J. J. Burgraaff	32 15
	29.	A. J. Reeverts	20 00
	29.	John Van Westenburger	20 00
Oct.	2.	A. DeW. Mason, D. D.	20 00
	2.	A. DeW. Mason, D. D.	20 00
	2.	Jesse W. Brooks, D. D.	20 00
	2.	R. A. Pearse	15 00
	6.	Andrew Hageman	15 91
	7.	D. J. DeBey	20 00
	11.	H. E. Nies	20 00
	13.	John S. Gardner, D. D.	20 00
	13.	P. H. Milliken, D. D.	20 00
	16.	A. F. Beyer	20 00
	19.	Matthew Kolyn, D. D.	20 00
	20.	J. L. Stillwell	20 00
	23.	A. Klerk	4 00
	24.	S. M. Hogenboom	40 00
	24.	E. J. Blekkink	20 00
	24.	D. Wortman, D. D.	20 00
	24.	A. Westveer	4 00
	24.	A. Westveer	6 00
	25.	John Broek	10 00
	26.	Wm. Schmitz	20 00
	26.	S. C. Nettinga	20 00
	30.	W. E. Compton	30 00
	31.	H. Vander Ploeg	20 00
	31.	Geo. W. Gulick	17 60
	31.	Seth Vander Werf	20 00
Nov.	1.	Isaac Sperling	17 51
	4.	Ame Vennema, D. D.	20 00
	9.	Hy. J. Scudder	20 00
	16.	John C. Rauscher	20 00
	24.	H. Douwstra	40 00
Dec.	9.	J. W. Kots	28 00
	21.	Jas. L. Amerman, D. D.	20 00
	21.	John A. Thurston	20 00
	22.	Ira Van Allen	20 00
	23.	Richard H. Harper, balance	15 00
	23.	A. T. Laman	20 00
	30.	John Webinga	30 00
1917.			
Jan.	6.	John A. Thurston, on account	20 00
	9.	J. C. Forbes	30 00
	11.	Wm. S. Gruys, balance	24 00
	22.	James F. Zwemer	20 00
	31.	A. Oosterhof	20 00
Feb.	6.	Jas. E. Graham, 1916	20 00
	6.	Jas. E. Graham, 1917	20 00
	16.	Fred. G. Dekker	20 00
	23.	John H. Gillespie	20 00
Mar.	5.	J. J. Hollebrands, on account 1915	10 00
	16.	John Sietsema, balance	3 00
Apr.	3.	L. B. Chamberlain	20 00
	4.	F. C. Scoville	20 00
	9.	Richard H. Harper	15 00
	9.	C. L. Palmer	30 00
	10.	F. S. Schenck	20 00
	14.	A. DeJonge	20 00
	16.	Fred. Mueller	20 00
	27.	F. Reeverts	20 00
	27.	H. C. Willoughby	30 00
	30.	John Black	17 95

Apr. 30.	Rev. D. Scholten	17 50	
30.	" R. Bloemendorf	40 00	
30.	" D. P. Doyle	17 38	
30.	" G. Veenker	20 00	
30.	" C. W. Pitcher	20 00	
Total			\$2,566 78

DISABLED MINISTERS' FUND.

Received Personal Contributions during year, viz:

April 30, 1917.

Misses Susan and Rebecca Zabriskie in memory of their father, Rev. F. N. Zabriskie, D. D.	\$1,000 00	
Mrs. Hannah M. Bishop	100 00	
Am. District Telegraph Co., interest	100 00	
Mrs. C. L. Wells	100 00	
Mrs. John D. Parsons, Jr.	100 00	
A Friend	100 00	
Two Friends	50 00	
Mr. W. W. Kouwenhoven	25 00	
Friend in Jersey	10 00	
National Bank of Newburgh, dividend	16 00	
Mr. Jacob DeYoung	5 16	
Miss M. L. Varick	5 00	
Mr. John Vanderbilt	2 00	
Rev. H. Douwstra	1 25	
Rev. J. L. Amerman, D. D.	1 13	
		\$1,615 54

Received from Churches during year, for detail refer to
Tabular Statement, in Minutes at General Synod,
1917

\$9,816 29

Total \$11,431 83

ARCOT THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY FUND, interest
received \$3,579 47

RENTS RECEIVED:

Alida Van Schaick Legacy	\$2,568 13	
Charged to Boards	5,552	
Real Estate Owned	5,063 02	
Total		13,183 15

INTEREST RECEIVED FROM INVESTMENTS..... 71,491 40

MISCELLANEOUS CONTRIBUTIONS:

For salary fund, Western Theological Seminary per Professor J. T. Zwemer	2,050	
Reformed Church, Holland, for salary fund, Wes- tern Theological Seminary	36 87	
Board of Education for salary fund, Western Theo- logical Seminary	500	
For Salary of Fourth Professor, Western Theo- logical Seminary	1,075	
For Salary of Professor Practical Theology, Wes- tern Theological Seminary	1,075	
For Contingent Expenses, Western Theological Seminary	236 75	
For Expenses Theological Seminary, New Bruns- wick, N. J.	2,199 49	
Total		7,173 11

One-half income from Legacy of Abie J. Bell, credited as
donation of the Reformed Church of Chatham,
N. Y., for Permanent Seminary Fund

5 29

Accrued interest on Legacy of Mrs. Katherine S. Du
Bois

175 62

MISCELLANEOUS REFUNDS:

Premium on insurance on Hope College Buildings	96	87
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, unexpended advance for expenses of General Synod	161	90
Unexpended advance for travelling expenses	8	40
Refund on exchange on out of town checks		20
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, unexpended advance for expenses of General Synod	100	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, unexpended advance for expenses of Entertainment Fund	31	25
Board of Education, one-half expense installing electric light	15	
Board of Education, 1 electric lamp		22
Board of Domestic Missions, 10 electric lamps	2	20
Rev. C. W. Miller, 1 electric lamp		22
Women's Board of Domestic Missions, extra painting	5	
		<hr/> 421 26
Total		300,044 22
BOND AND MORTGAGE LOANS		83,000
REAL ESTATE, cost obtaining titles		1,372 34
REAL ESTATE, Arcot Theol. Sem.		831 18

FUND INCOME PAYMENTS:

COL. HENRY RUTGERS	\$240	07
JAS. SUYDAM:		
Professor J. Preston Searle, salary	2,779	71
Repairs and improvements of professorial dwellings	515	88
Maintenance of Jas. Suydam Hall	926	57
Repairs and improvements of Seminary Buildings and Grounds	926	57
G. A. SAGE:		
Support and maintenance of Peter Hertzog Hall	1,158	22
Maintenance of G. A. Sage Library	1,622	20
Purchase of books for G. A. Sage Library	926	57
Professor John H. Raven, salary	2,687	50
GEO. AUG. SANDHAMS, Scholarships	185	32
MRS. ANN HERTZOG, repairs to P. Hertzog Hall	463	29
MRS. ANN HERTZOG, maintenance and supply of library of P. Hertzog Hall	2,323	10
HOPE COLLEGE Endowment Fund	2,474	86
C. VANDER MEULEN, Prof. J. W. Beardslee, Jr., salary	1,600	00
AUG. ELMENDORF, Theol. Educ. Fund	110	40
N. F. GRAVES, Lecture Fund	375	91
ANGELINA SILVERNAIL FUND	2,113	51
MISS S. H. KNIESKERN, interest on \$1,000.00, proceeds of sale of homestead at Cortland, N. Y.	50	00
ARCHIBALD LAIDLIE, D. D., Memorial Fund	231	64
MRS. ANN HERTZOG Memorial Fund	1,000	00
CATSKILL CHURCH, Faculty Fund	231	64
REV. JOHN H. RAVEN, interest on account of sale of professorial dwelling	500	00
A. C. VAN RAALTE PROFESSORSHIP, Prof. E. J. Blekkink, salary	1,600	00
JAS. A. H. CORNELL PROFESSORSHIP, Prof. Matthew Kolyn, salary	1,600	00
FOURTH PROFESSORSHIP, West Theol. Sem., Prof. Jas. F. E. Zwemer, salary	1,600	00
ASSOCIATE PROFESSORSHIP, West Theol. Sem., Prof. J. Kuizenga, salary	1,600	00
PROPERTY FUND, West Theol. Sem.	299	92
LIBRARY ALCOVE ENDOWMENT	797	50
LIBRARY OF THEOL. SEM., New Brunswick	231	64
SPECIAL FUND for expenses of Theol. Sem., New Brunswick	2,368	27
PROPERTY FUND, Theol. Sem., New Brunswick	673	43
ARCOT THEOL. SEM., salary and sundries	3,398	46
CONTINGENT EXPENSES, West Theol. Sem.	150	07
PERMANENT SEMINARY FUND, salaries of Profs. Berg. and Johnson	8,062	50

Salary of Prof. Berg, additional as Lector	500 00	
Salary of J. S. Hogen as S. C. to Board of Supt., Sem. New Brunswick	35 00	
Examination Folders	3 50	
Rev. M. Flipse, attending meeting of Board of Supt.	34 00	
BOARD OF DOMESTIC MISSIONS:		
Alida Van Schaick Legacy	4,575 52	
Domestic Missions	702 29	
Church Building Fund	218 74	
BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS	575 19	
ARABIAN MISSIONS	69 72	
BOARD OF PUBLICATION	101 60	
BOARD OF EDUCATION:		
John Antonides Scholarship	4,499 05	
Education Fund	10,374 30	
Parochial School Fund	533 11	
Margaret Antoinette Thompson Fund	92 66	
Bequest of Hiram J. Meenk	17 79	
ALUMNI ENDOWMENT FUND	150 00	
LEGACY OF ABIE J. BELL , payment of income to Disabled Ministers' Fund	529 00	
LEGACY OF ABIE J. BELL , Permanent Seminary Fund....	529 00	
MRS. ANNA V. Z. HANFORD , interest on \$4,000.00	200 00	
Total		\$68,517 80
WIDOWS' FUND , Annuities, etc.		14,859 84
WIDOWS' FUND , Payment to Rev. James Cantine....		500
DISABLED MINISTERS' FUND , Appropriations, etc....		16,067 34
REV. D. WORTMAN, D. D. , Services on behalf of Widows' and Disabled Ministers' Funds.....		1,500
PURCHASE OF LAND , for Theological Seminary, New Brunswick, N. J.		11,792 66
ENTERTAINMENT FUND , bills for entertaining delegates, etc.		3,050
EXPENSE ACCOUNT , sundry payments.....		8,277 33
REAL ESTATE EXPENSES , taxes, insurance, re- pairs, etc.		2,485 51
PROPERTY , 25 E. 22d St., Janitor and assistants..	1,060	
Light, fuel, repairs, etc..	842 25	
		1,902 25
APPORTIONED TO BOARDS:		
Expenses of Treasurer's Office	360	
Treasurer's Salary	2,503 02	
Premium on Treasurer's Bond.....	25	
Auditors	100	
Assistance	156 25	
Stationery, postage, etc.	39 59	
Telephone	32 64	
Total		3,216 50
Balance on Hand, April 30, 1917.....		82,671 47
		<u>\$300,044 22</u>

FRANK R. VAN NEST,
Treasurer.

New York, May 21, 1917.

The subscribers having examined the accounts of Frank R. Van Nest, with vouchers exhibited by him, find them to be correct, having a balance of eighty-two thousand, six hundred and seventy-one dollars and fifty-seven cents, also bonds and mortgages, bonds, etc., amounting to \$1,697,-646.93.

JOHN M. KYLE,
JOSEPH R. DURYEE,

GENERAL SYNOD.

EXPENSE ACCOUNT OF THE GENERAL SYNOD

To Cash,	Exchange on out of town cheques.....	\$10 47	
	160 reports of the Bd. of Direction, etc.....	18	
	Safe deposit rent of safe	35	
	Christian Intelligencer card Bd. of Dir... ..	25	
	Appraisal of property	2	
	General receipt book for Treas.....	8 75	
	Treas. Trav. Exp. att. meeting Synod at Holland	41	
	Letter file	40	
	Stewart, Warren & Co., Int. and Ins. record book	5 25	
	Stewart, Warren & Co., tabular statement record book	1 40	
	Pro rata share of Bullingers Guide.....	1 75	
			149 02
	Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. Clk. advance for exp.	100	
	Rev. Hy. Lockwood, Stated Clerk, salary..	500	
	Rev. C. P. Case, P. Cl., salary	300	
	Rev. C. P. Case, P. Cl., advance for exps.....	50	
	Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. C., expense acc. to July 21	19 04	
	Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. C., postage, etc., 22.52, printing, 44	66 52	
	J. Heidingsfeld Co., printing programs....	34	
	Reporters and stenographers expense.....	240	
	Printing roll and cards for Synod.....	15 25	
	Rev. J. A. Thornton, Asst. Per. Clk. in West Telegrams, Comm. on next place of meeting	4	
	Per. Clk. trav. exp. and incidentals	1 65	
	Rev. J. B. Hunter, blueprints of tables..	51 03	
	Press clerk, expense bill	3	
	Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. Clk., on acc. exps.	34 05	
	Rev. J. S. Hogan, Com. on Cor. and Religious Exer. Exp.	161 90	
	Rev. I. W. Gowen, Pres. General Synod, exp. 1915-16 services rendered. Supply for his pulpit	19 02	
	Bd. of Publication, expressing reports to General Synod	25	
	H. P. Schneeweiss, Trav. Exp. Com. on Tem.	75	
	Rev. C. P. Case, P. Clk., add'l expenses....	30	
	Trav. expenses delegates to General Synod	6 36	
		4,617 06	6,278 63
	Prem. on ins. Hope College Bldgs., bal.....	525	
	Prem. on ins. Wes. Theo. Sem. Bldgs., 3 yrs.	194 58	
	Revs. Farrar and Kittell, trav. exp. att. of meeting Bd. of Supts. Western Theol. Sem.	96	
	Revs. Gebhard, Gowen, Lamar, att. of meeting council, Hope College	39 95	
	Western Theol. Sem., assessment paving and sprinkling	100 02	
	Western Theol. Sem. for Contingent Exp...	200	
			1,155 55
	Prof. J. W. Beardslee, trav. exp. att. of meeting Federal Council of Chs. holding Presby. System	15	
	Alliance Ref. Ch. in Am. pro rata sh. exp. to Mar. 31, '17	160	
	Federal Council Ref. Ch. of Christ in Am. pro rata, 1917	130	
	Council Ref. Ch. in U. S., pro rata 1917.....	50	
	Rev. E. P. Johnson, exp. att. of joint com. to arrange hymns and tunes for new Hymn Book	20 23	
	Trav. exp. att. meeting Fed. Coun. Ch. of Christ in Am.	212 90	
	Unionist-Gazette Assn., 10,000 circulars, State of Religion	106	
			694 13
			\$8,277 33

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EXPENSE ACCOUNT OF THE GENERAL SYNOD

To cash brought forward	\$8,277 33	
Balance	2,022 01	
	<hr/>	\$10,299 34
By Cash, Rebate on prem. ins. on Hope Coll. Bldgs., Dec. 15, 1915		\$96 87
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. C., refund of un- expended bal. for expenses of General Synod		161 90
Refund of unused adv. for trav. exp. to Gen. Synod		8 40
Refund exchange on out of town cheques Rev. Hy. Lockwood, refund adv. exp. for Synod		20
Contingent exp. and trav. exp. of delegates		100
By balance from last account		6,248 36
		<hr/> 3,683 61
		\$10,299 34
By balance brought down		<hr/> \$2,022 01

FRANK R. VAN NEST,
Treasurer.

New York, May 1, 1917.

GENERAL SYNOD.

1917

ANNUAL DIGEST.

The Board of Direction submits to General Synod its Annual Digest, as follows:
(For Detail of Cash Received or Distributed see Treasurer's Report).

I.

FOR THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, AT
NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J.

THE "GARDNER A. SAGE ENDOWMENT."

	Principal Invested.	Income on hand.
For the purchase of books for the Gardner A. Sage Library	\$20,000 00	\$550 24

THE "REV. ARCHIBALD LAIDLIE, D. D."
MEMORIAL FUND.

Principal to be invested and income used for seminary printing, exclusive of the Catalogue	5,000 00	237 56
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THE ALUMNI ENDOWMENT FUND.

Balance per statement of condition.....	6,486 01	893 35
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NATHAN F. GRAVES LECTURE FUND.

Balance per statement of condition.....	8,114 00	385 51
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THE JAMES ANDERSON MEMORIAL FUND.

For Elocution	1,169 21	
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AUGUSTUS ELMENDORF THEOLOGICAL
EDUCATIONAL FUND.

Legacy of Jane Helen Elmendorf, for education of Theological Students	2,383 00	113 22
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	Principal Invested.	Income on hand.
PERMANENT SEMINARY FUND.		
Invested, as per balance sheet	\$152,272 37	
Invested Fourth Professorial Fund.....	32,597 66	
Invested Thomas De Witt Professorship.....	11,015 00	
Interest on hand April 30, 1916.....		7,426 69
THE JAMES SUYDAM ENDOWMENT."		
For Professorship of Didactic and Polemic The- ology	\$60,000 00	975 71
THE "GARDNER A. SAGE ENDOWMENT."		
For Professorship of Old Testament Languages and Exegesis	\$50,000 00	313 09
THE "RALPH VOORHEES" FUND.		
For Professorship of Hellenistic Creek and New Testament Exegesis	25,000 00	
THE "JAMES SUYDAM" LEGACY.		
For maintenance and support of James Suydam Hall	20,000 00	550 24
THE "JAMES SUYDAM" LEGACY.		
For repairs and improvements of the Buildings and Grounds	20,000 00	550 24
THE "JAMES SUYDAM" FUND.		
For repairs and improvements of the Professorial Dwellings	11,135 00	279 04
THE "GARDNER A. SAGE" ENDOWMENT.		
For maintenance and support of the Gardner A. Sage Library	35,015 00	913 63
THE "GARDNER A. SAGE" ENDOWMENT.		
For maintenance and support of the Peter Hertzog Hall	25,000 00	637 80

	Principal Invested.	Income on hand.
LEGACY OF MRS. ANN HERTZOG.		
"The income to be applied to keeping in good order and repair the Peter Hertzog Hall".....	10,000 00	275 12
LIBRARY ALCOVE ENDOWMENT FUND.		
For maintenance of the Gardner A. Sage Library	18,214 42	417 87
THE "ANGELINA SILVERNAIL" FUND.		
For maintenance and support of the Seminary....	25,000 00	923 37
THE SPECIAL FUND.		
For current expenses		109 04
PROPERTY FUND.		
For care and improvement of property.....	14,536 48	440 63
THE "CATSKILL CHURCH FACULTY FUND."		
For administration, lecture, etc.....	5,000 00	237 56
"GEORGE AUGUSTUS SANDHAM SCHOLAR- SHIP.		
Balance per statement of condition	4,000 00	324 62
LIBRARY OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMI- NARY, NEW BRUNSWICK.		
Purchase of books for Vedder Alcove.....	5,000 00	237 56
MRS. ANN HERTZOG MEMORIAL FUND.		
Income to be used in and about P. Hertzog Hall..	72,750 00	4,437 09
LEGACY OF MRS. ANNA H. CARVER.		
Memorial of Mrs. Ann Hertzog.....	25,000 00	1,187 80
PROFESSORIAL DWELLING FUND.		
Proceeds of sale of the Prof. Raven dwelling.....		62 46
Proceeds of sale of gore of land College Ave. and Seminary Pl.		47 63
Museum of the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick, N. J.	2,000 00	

II.
FOR RUTGERS COLLEGE,
AT NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J.

	Principal Invested.	Income on hand.
THE VAN BENSCHOOTEN FUND.		
As Reported by H. P. Schneeweiss, Esq., Treasurer of Rutgers College. Invested on bonds, secured by mortgages	20,000 00	
Total amount of Fund	<u>\$20,000 00</u>	
Interest Account.		
Receipts.		
Total interest income for year ending March 31, 1917	1,000 00	
Payments.		
Allowance on Salary of Professor of Ethics and Evidence of Christianity	<u>1,000 00</u>	
DONATION OF COL. HENRY RUTGERS.		
Amount held in trust for Rutgers College.....	5,000 00	240 30
KNOX FUND.		
As reported by H. P. Schneeweiss, Esq., Treasurer of Rutgers College.		
Principal Account.		
Amount of Fund March 31, 1916.....		\$2,797 37
Accrued Interest received, balance		<u>202 63</u>
Present amount of Fund invested in bonds and mortgages		3,000 00
Interest account receipts.		
Total interest income for year ending March 31, 1917		150 00
Payments.		
Allowance and tuition to students		150 00

III.
FOR HOPE COLLEGE,
AT HOLLAND, MICHIGAN.

ENDOWMENT FUND.		
Balance per statement of condition	53,420 06	338 09

IV.
FOR THE WESTERN THEOLOGICAL
SEMINARY, AT HOLLAND, MICHIGAN.

	Principal Invested.	Income on hand.
THE ALBERTUS C. VAN RAALTE PROFESSORSHIP OF DIDACTIC AND POLEMIC THEOLOGY.		
Balance per statement of condition	30,000 00	
THE CORNELIUS VANDER MEULEN PROFESSORSHIP OF BIBLICAL LANGUAGES AND LITERATURE.		
Balance per statement of condition	30,000 00	
THE JAMES A. H. CORNELL PROFESSORSHIP OF HISTORICAL THEOLOGY.		
Invested, as per balance sheet.....	24,000 00	
Donald Sage Mackay Scholarship.....	5,000 00	
George Augustus Sandham Scholarship.....	1,000 00	
THE FOURTH THEOLOGICAL PROFESSORSHIP.		
Legacy of Kommer Schaddelee	6,839 59	
Legacy of Rev. Peter Lepeltak	1,505 50	
Contribution, per Prof. J. F. Zwemer.....	1,150 00	
PROPERTY AND CONTINGENT FUND.		
Balance per statement of condition.....	6,474 30	107 59
SALARY FUND.		
Balance per statement of condition.....		1,995 75
LEGACY OF HIRAM J. MEENK.		
Income to be applied to the support and education of young men preparing for the ministry in the Western Seminary	384 00	2 89
ABRAHAM J. SWIT'S SCHOLARSHIP FUND.		
Balance per statement of condition.....	1,825 00	256 30

V.
FOR EDUCATION.

	Principal Invested.	Income on hand.
GENERAL EDUCATION FUND.		
Balance per statement of condition.....	230,358 74	2,155 64
PAROCHIAL SCHOOL FUND.		
Balance per statement of condition.....	11,507 50	86 42
JOHN ANTONIDES SCHOLARSHIP FUND.		
Legacy of John Antonides, on account.....	97,111 73	729 51
MARGARET ANTOINETTE THOMPSON FUND.		
Income to be applied to poor students preparing for the ministry in the Reformed Church in America	2,000 00	15 02
ARCOT THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY FUND.		
Invested, as per balance sheet.....	46,900 00	
On hand, uninvested principal.....	2,942 60	445 32
Real Estate	8,831 18	

VI.
MISCELLANEOUS FUNDS.

THE WIDOWS' FUND.		
Invested, as per balance sheet.....	118,055 58	
Payments at one time by ministers.....	1,250 00	
Income paid to annuitants, etc., during the year...	15,159 84	
Discount, premium on bonds.....	5 47	
Income on hand April 30, 1917.....		11,943 85
DISABLED MINISTERS' FUND.		
As per balance sheet.....	207,350 25	
Income paid beneficiaries, etc., during the year..	17,367 34	
Balance income on hand April 30, 1917.....		10,949 93.
ENDOWMENT OF THE DISABLED MIN- ISTERS' FUND.		
Legacies and donations prior to 1876.....	18,250 00	
1876. Cash	500 00	
1877. Cash	864 85	
1881. James Suydam, bequest	30,000 00	
1882. Rev. Chas. A. Shepard	500 00	

	Principal Invested.	Income on hand.
1882. Mrs. Eleanor Webb, legacy.....	3,152	43
1884. Estate of Mrs. Elizabeth Jewell.....	500	00
1885. Mrs. Janet G. Moffet, bequest.....	50	00
1889. Rev. John Whitbeck, bequest	100	00
1890. Samuel B. Schieffelin.....	1,000	00
1890. A friend, F. S. D.....	350	00
1890. A friend, L.....	250	00
1890. Geo. B. Wilson, legacy.....	1,000	00
1891. Jane Lightbody, legacy.....	500	00
1891. Principal of Pruyn Trust	5,000	00
1892. Family of Rev. Goyn Talmage, D.D.....	250	00
1892. The Clove Reformed Church, High Falls, N. Y., and Reformed Church, Cold Springs, N. Y.	16	15
1892. Marbletown and North Marbletown Reform- ed Church	8	00
1892. Hannah O. Beebe, legacy.....	300	00
1893. A friend, "K".....	100	00
1896. Eleanor Myer, legacy on account.....	250	00
1896. A friend, "K".....	250	00
1897. Eleanor Myer, legacy, balance	250	00
1897. Hannah O. Beebe, legacy, balance	70	00
1900. Dr. Edward L. Beadle, legacy	4,300	00
1901. Rev. Dr. and Mrs. C. L. Wells.....	500	00
1901. Richard Young	500	00
1902. Collections	4,136	54
1902. Eleanor Roome, legacy	1,000	00
1903. Collection	2,648	01
1904. Collections	767	82
1905. Collections	2,341	69
1906. Clarinda Strong, legacy on account	11,012	60
1906. A friend	1,000	00
1906. Nicholas F. Vedder, legacy	2,206	76
1906. Collections, etc.	190	00
Clarinda Strong, legacy, balance	5,165	38
Peter Bogart, Jr., donation.....	3,000	00
S. L. F. McKinstry, legacy.....	100	00
Reformed Church, Flatbush, N. Y., contribution..	837	21
Andrew Peck, donation	2,500	00
A friend	200	00
Church collections	43	17
Marriette Cornell, legacy	100	00
George P. Payson, donation	5,000	00

	Principal Invested.	Income on hand.
S. G. Van Zyl	10 00	
Elizabeth Carle	500 00	
Rachiel H. Dill, legacy	200 00	
Peter Bogart, Jr., legacy	3,000 00	
James Suydam, legacy	5,000 00	
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	\$119,770 61	
Less charges	2,483 28	
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	\$117,287 33	
Additional legacies and gifts.....	8,891 25	
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	\$126,178 58	
Legacy of Mrs. Mary Neefus in memory of her deceased father, Richard Davis Van Kleek...	4,000 00	
Legacy of Rev. Joachim Elmendorf, D. D.....	5,000 00	
Mrs. Wm. U. Jube, donation.....	12 50	
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	\$135,191 08	
Legacy of Mrs. Mary Neefus, additional	5,000 00	
North Sibley Ref. Ch., Sibley, Iowa..	6 73	
Miss Elizabeth N. Rodgers, N. Y.....	1,000 00	
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	6,006 73	
North Sibley Ref. Ch., Sibley, Iowa.....	\$12 00	
Legacy of Mrs. Jennie D. Schenck.....	250 00	
Legacy of Tunis J. Powell on account.....	1,976 37	
Legacy of Arrianna Van Houten.....	500 00	
Legacy of Mrs. Mary Neefus, additional.....	2,696 68	
Legacy of Mary A. Wyckoff, net.....	1,909 70	
Gift of Mary L. and Richard V. Dey.....	4,217 50	
Legacy of Elizabeth Van Kleek.....	43,389 44	
Bequest of Lambert Suydam, memorial to his brother, James Suydam.....	10,000 00	
Legacy Miss Cornelia Veeder by First Ref. Ch., Schenectady, N. Y.	1,000 00	
Estate of Chas. S. Ward 1-12 Sh'g. residuary.....	75	
Gift of Mrs. P. M. Doolittle.....	200 00	
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	\$207,350 25	

FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Legacy of Nicholas F. Vedder.....	\$4,386 23
Legacy of Rev. John Venderveer, D.D.....	950 00

GENERAL SYNOD.

	Principal Invested.	Income on hand.
Legacy of John Antonides.....	4,728 00	
From family of the late Rev. Goyn Talmage, D. D.	250 00	
Legacy of Phoebe Cowanhoven.....	891 85	
Legacy of Jane C. Morris, Morris Memorial.....	1,000 00	
Balance of interest on hand April 30, 1917.....		304 93

ARABIAN MISSIONS.

Legacy of Rev. Peter Lepeltak.....	\$1,505 50	71 50
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FOR DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

Legacy of Nicholas F. Vedder.....	\$4,386 23	
Legacy of Rachel Ann Ryerson.....	2,000 00	
Legacy of Rev. J. Vanderveer, D. D.....	950 00	
Legacy of Jane Helen Elmendorf.....	953 00	
Legacy of John Antonides.....	4,728 00	
From the family of the late Rev. Goyn Talmage, D. D.	250 00	
Legacy of Phoebe Cowanhoven.....	891 85	
Legacy of Jane C. Morris, Morris Memorial.....	1,000 00	
Balance of interest on hand April 30, 1917.....		370 23

CHURCH BUILDING FUND.

Legacy of John Antonides.....	4,728 00	
Balance of interest on hand April 30, 1917.....		124 64

ALIDA VAN SCHAICK LEGACY.

Balance per statement of condition.....	109,669 10	2,344 63
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BOARD OF PUBLICATION.

Legacy of N. F. Vedder.....	2,193 12	54 20
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PERMANENT CONTINGENT FUND.

Balance per statement of condition.....	9,984 04	
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FUND FOR ENTERTAINMENT OF SYNOD-
ICAL DELEGATES.

Amount April 30, 1917.....		2,641 55
Annie M. Van Zandt Trust Fund.....	4,000 00	
Legacy of Mrs. Mary B. Pell for benefit of Theo. Sem., New Brunswick.....	13 91	
Legacy of Abie J. Bell income to be divided one- half each to Permanent Seminary Fund and Disabled Ministers' Fund.....	220 00	10 45

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ENDOWMENT SCHOLARSHIPS

in the

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARIES, ETC., EAST AND WEST

May 1, 1917.

	Principal Invested.
Van Rensselaer	\$1,700 00
Wm. Patterson Van Rensselaer	1,700 00
Rutgers	1,700 00
Heyer	1,700 00
Cornell	2,000 00
Wyckoff	2,500 00
Margaret Burgess	1,700 00
John Clark	3,000 00
James Bogert, Jr.	2,000 00
Isaac L. Kipp	1,700 00
Tannake Turk	1,700 00
Richard Cadmus	2,000 00
Stryker	2,000 00
Hornbeck, Two Scholarships	4,000 00
Freeborn	2,000 00
James Bogert, Jr., Second Scholarship.....	2,000 00
Cuyler	2,000 00
Margaret Ten Eyck	2,000 00
Catalina Ten Eyck	2,000 00
Daniel L. Schanck	3,000 00
Moses Cowen	2,500 00
Bequest of Samuel Gates	1,745 98
Theodore Frelinghuysen De Witt.....	2,500 00
James Suydam. Four Scholarships.....	12,000 00
Edward Lansing Pruyn	2,500 00
Maria R. Lefferts	8,402 64
Garret Y. Lansing	2,500 00
Earnest Blois	2,500 00
Bequest of Joshua Hornbeck	2,000 00
Bequest of Ann James	2,500 00
Bequests of James B. Laing	7,500 00
Louisa Hasbrouck	5,000 00
Jacob Polhemus	2,500 00
Abram Storms	2,000 00
Gardner A. Sage. Two Scholarships.....	5,000 00

Amount carried forward.....

\$103,548 62

		Principal Invested.
Amount brought forward.....		\$103,548 62
Bequest of Maria Van Antwerp. For the James Van Antwerp Scholarship.....	2,522 72	
Bequest of Jane Brinkerhoff.....	5,000 00	
Bequest of Frederick J. Hosford. For Frederick Hosford Scholarship	2,500 00	
Bequest of David A. Jones.....	3,000 00	
Bequest of Robert Gaston	2,000 00	
Bequest of John Antonides.....	97,111 73	
Bequest of Peter P. Schoonmaker.....	2,850 00	
Bequest of Sarah Benham	7,397 60	
Bequest of James E. Hedges. For James E. Hedges Scholarship	2,500 00	
Bequest of Mary A. Bogardus. For James W. Bogardus Scholarship	3,000 00	
Bequest of Elias J. Hendrickson.....	10,000 00	
Bequest of Margaret Antoinette Thompson.....	2,000 00	
Bequest of Elizabeth H. Monroe. For Monroe Scholarship	2,500 00	
Sarah Suydam Lott, per Peter Lott.....	3,000 00	
Legacy of Anthony Rue.....	2,740 00	
Bequest of Dr. Edward L. Beadle. For Edward L. and Adeline Beadle Scholarship.....	3,500 00	
Bequest of Peter Lott	6,448 78	
Legacy of Nicholas F. Vedder.....	4,386 23	
Legacy of Peter Wyckoff.....	50,000 00	
John N. Jansen Scholarships.....	9,000 00	
Legacy of Catherine Jane Pryer, on account.....	1,200 00	
		<hr/> \$222,657 06
		<hr/> \$326,205 68

Bequests, etc., for the education of pious young
men in preparing for the Gospel Ministry in
the Theological Seminaries.

Bequest of John Kline	\$500 00	
Bequest of Nicholas Lansing	600 00	
Bequest of Janet Hinchman	470 00	
Gain on Sale of Government Bonds.....	468 54	
From family of the late Rev. Goyn Talmage, D.D.	250 00	
Bequest of Sarah V. B. Benham.....	500 00	
Bequest of Albert H. Randell.....	476 25	
		<hr/> \$3,264 79
		<hr/> \$329,470 47

FRANK R. VAN NEST,

Treasurer.

New York, May 1st, 1917.

ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES OF GENERAL SYNOD.

May 1, 1917.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America :

In accordance with the resolution of the General Synod, I herewith forward an estimate of the amount necessary to be raised to meet the deficiency in the revenues of Synod for the year commencing May 1st, 1917.

EXPENSES RELATING TO THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AT
NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J.

Salaries of four Professors.....	\$10,312 50
Salaries, etc., of Stated Clerk of the Board of Superintendents	40 00
Salary, etc., of the Treasurer of General Synod, Apportionment	380 00
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	\$10,732 50

No deficiency.

OTHER EXPENSES.

By balance on hand, May 1, 1917.....	\$2,022 01
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Traveling expenses of Delegates to Corresponding Bodies....	200 00
Salary, etc., of Stated Clerk.....	525 00
Salary, etc., of Permanent Clerk	325 00
Traveling expenses of Synod's Members of the Board of Superintendents of the Western Theological Seminary and Hope College Council	275 00
Pro rata expenses of Alliance of Reformed Churches.....	220 00
Expenses of meeting of General Synod.....	100 00
Sundries	1,000 00
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	\$2,645 00

Traveling expenses of Delegates to General Synod to be adjusted at this meeting of Synod.

FRANK R. VAN NEST,

New York, May 1st, 1917.

Treasurer

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY IN INDIA.

Endowment Fund.

Professorships.

The General Synod	\$8,027 24
The Collegiate Church	13,109 82
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Amount brought forward.....	\$21,137 06
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Amount brought forward..... \$21,137 06

Scholarships' Church.

Church at Hudson.....	\$2,000 00	
Collegiate Church at Harlem	2,001 00	
First Church, Albany.....	400 00	
Madison Ave. Church, Albany	2,000 00	
First and Fair Sts. Churches, Kingston.....	782 00	
Clinton Ave. Church, Newark	1,255 00	
Flatbush Church	2,000 00	
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		\$10,438 00

Scholarships' Individual.

A Missionary Friend's half.....	\$1,000 00	
The Family Semelink.....	2,000 00	
Ormiston Memorial	2,000 00	
S. Talmage Mather.....6666	2,000 00	
Greenwood	2,000 00	
Donald Memorial	2,000 00	
Katherine A. Rockwell.....	2,000 00	
In His Name.....	2,000 00	
Gamaliel G. Smith	2,000 00	
Thomas and Sarah A. Jessup.....	2,000 00	
William Brush	2,000 00	
The Erskine Memorial.....	2,000 00	
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		\$23,000 00

Total endowment paid in	\$54,575 06
Railroad bonds bought below par, difference.....	44 01
Gain on 12 shares Flatbush Gas Light Co. Stock..	58 50
Gain on sale of Brooklyn City R. R. Co. Stock and Bond	1,891 87
Gain on sale of One Bond Cedar Falls and Minne- sota R. R.....	46 25
Gain on sales of Brooklyn real estate.....	483 60
Gain on sale of St. Joseph and Grand Island R. R. Stock	759 18

	<hr/>	\$57,858 47
Legacy of Sara J. Monteath.....		1,000 00

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Note of Maurice E. Viele, deceased, not paid, can- celled		200 00
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The Fund at the present time amounts to \$58,673.78.

During the year just closed \$3,654.47 have been received, amount being interest, etc., received on the invested Fund.

Balance of income on hand May 1, 1917, \$445.32.

FRANK R. VAN NEST,
Treasurer.

New York, May 1st, 1917.

The Special Committee on Real Estate Values presented their Report.

Resolved, That a Committee of three, who are familiar with real estate values and conditions in Greater New York and vicinity, be appointed by the President of Synod to examine the various pieces or parcels of real estate covered by the Mortgages held by General Synod and to report to the Synod of 1917 with their recommendations.

Acting under the above resolution your Committee begs leave to report as follows:

The Board has loans of \$853,200 on 47 parcels in New York City; \$361,000 on 20 parcels in the Bronx; \$231,026 on 50 parcels in Brooklyn; total of \$1,427,226 on 119 parcels.

We have personally visited all of the buildings in Greater New York upon which mortgages are held by the Board of Directors and submit herewith a list of such properties together with our judgment as to the character of each of the loans.

Having in mind the amount loaned and the number of parcels of real estate concerned, we believe on the whole that the general status is reasonably satisfactory and would probably compare favorably with any similar list of properties upon which loans have been made by religious institutions.

Real Estate holdings in Greater New York for the past four or five years have been in a very unsatisfactory condition, values have materially suffered and with rising taxes and expenses net returns to owners have been much reduced. Under such conditions the margin between the face of the mortgage and the value of the property has been reduced. We fear this state of affairs is likely to continue for the immediate present or at least while war conditions prevail.

Some parcels have unduly suffered by reason of changes in the neighborhood, particularly in those sections that have been invaded by the colored people.

We recommend—

- 1st. That wherever possible periodic reductions of loans now in force be demanded.
- 2nd. That as opportunity offers undesirable overdue loans be called.
- 3rd. That mortgage loans shall not be renewed or extended until after thorough inspection of premises, and when so extended provision be made in the renewal contract for annual payments in reduction of the principal sufficient to provide for the probable depreciation of the property.

- 4th. That provision be made for systematic visiting of the various properties that their condition may be known and so kept up and the changing character of the neighborhood be more closely watched.

(This means additional force and expenses, as in our judgment the officers of the Board of Control cannot be expected personally to devote necessary time to this work).

- 5th. We suggest that careful consideration be given to the desirability of buying guaranteed mortgages, $\frac{1}{2}\%$ less revenue per year will be received, but the mortgages will be safer in that there will be back of each the guarantee and assets of a title guarantee company.

Faithfully yours,

W. EDW. FOSTER,
JOHN M. KYLE,
E. COVERT HULST,
Committee.

May 23, 1917.

Report of Special Committee to consider the organization of a Corporation for holding gifts and bequests for the Western Theological Seminary.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America:

Your Special Committee, appointed in June, 1916, to consider in all its bearings and relations, the organization of a Corporation to receive, hold and manage gifts and bequests in trust for the Western Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church in America, beg leave to make the following report, as follows:

1. They have endeavored to consider this question broadly in all of its bearings and have held conferences with those best acquainted with the field in the West, and also with a Special Committee of the Board of Superintendents of the Western Theological Seminary, and after such consideration and conferences, have come to the unanimous conclusion that the suggestion made by Synod's Permanent Committee on Finances of the Western Theological Seminary in 1916, and the favorable report of the Committee on the Professorate and Theological Seminaries on such suggestion were wise and should be carried into effect.

2. That in the opinion of your Committee, Act No. 89 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan for the year 1901, being an act entitled:

"An act to provide for the incorporation of trustees to take, hold, invest, sell and otherwise manage and control property of religious denominations, subject to the regulations of representative bodies of such denominations" provides for the incorporation of an organization which would in every way meet the purposes desired.

3. That under the provisions of this Act, copy of which is hereto annexed for your information, Synod may elect not less than three nor more than nine members of the Reformed Church in America, residing in the State of Michigan, and may cause to be made and filed in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of Michigan, a statement in writing, signed by the presiding officer and the Clerk or Secretary, and duly acknowledged, setting forth the number of trustees which shall constitute such Board; the names of those elected as such trustees; the corporate name of the trustees; the purpose for which they are elected, etc. Their term of office is three years and Synod only can elect and fill vacancies.

4. Your Committee recommends that Synod appoint seven trustees to constitute a corporation under the Statute above referred to; that their corporate name be "Trustees of the Western Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church in America;" that the purpose for which they are elected is to receive, take, hold, invest, re-invest, sell, and otherwise manage and control all property which may be given, bequeathed or devised to them in trust for the Western Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church in America, subject, however, to the terms of the gift or bequest by virtue of which they may receive such property, and subject to the general regulations of the Synod of said Church; that the duration of such corporation be fixed at thirty (30) years.

5. Your Committee would also respectfully suggest that in their opinion it would be wise to elect two members of the Board of Superintendents of the Western Theological Seminary as members of such Board of Trustees. This would, in our opinion, give added confidence not only but would establish a closer relation between the Trustees and the Board of Superintendents.

6. If the recommendations of this Committee receive favorable consideration from General Synod, then it will become necessary to instruct your President and Clerk to prepare, execute and file the necessary documents of incorporation in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of Michigan, and to formulate such general

regulations relating to the work, meetings and reports of the Trustees as Synod may deem necessary and wise.

Dated Holland, May 25, 1917.

Respectfully submitted,

GERRIT J. DIEKEMA,
JOHN W. BEARDSLEE,
JAMES F. ZWEMER,
JOHN M. TROMPEN,
JAMES J. DANHOFF,
Committee.

The following resolutions were offered in reference to the above Report:

Resolved, That the report of the Special Committee on Finances of the Western Seminary be received and its recommendations approved as to plan:

Resolved, That a corporation be formed under the statutes of the State of Michigan as recommended in the report, and the seven trustees of such proposed corporation consist of two members of the Board of Superintendents of the Western Theological Seminary and of five other members of the Reformed Church in America, resident in the State of Michigan.

Resolved, That such trustees for the first year consist of Messrs. Cornelius Dosker and Henry E. Langeland, to represent the Board of Superintendents, and Messrs. John W. Beardslee, Sr., J. G. Diekema, J. N. Trompen, Matthew Kolyn and Jas. F. Zwemer, be the five representatives of the Church at large in the State of Michigan; and that these persons have power to elect their successors pending the granting of the proposed charter.

Resolved, That the General Synod authorize and direct its President and Stated Clerk to prepare, execute and file the necessary documents of incorporation in the office of the Secretary of the State of Michigan, and to formulate such general regulations relating to the work, meetings and reports of the trustees previous to the granting of the Charter as the Synod may deem necessary and wise.

After discussion these Resolutions were not adopted, but were, on motion, made a record in Synod's Minutes.

The following substitute Resolution was offered and adopted:

Resolved, That this Report be referred to a Special Committee composed of representatives of the Finance Committees of each Theological Seminary, and three others appointed by the President; and this Committee to report to the Synod of 1918.

The committee is constituted as follows:

Elder G. J. Diekema, chairman; Rev. J. P. Searle, Rev. J. F. Zwemer, Rev. J. W. Beardslee, Elder J. M. Kyle.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTION.

To the One Hundred and Eleventh General Synod of the Reformed Church in America:

Fathers and Brethren:—There have been received by the Committee on the Board of Direction the following matters:

(1). The Annual Report of the Board of Direction with the Report of the Treasurer of General Synod annexed thereto;

(2). Certain questions raised in that report of the Board of Direction on which Synodical legislation is required;

(3). Certain matters coming directly from the floor of Synod and from its Stated Clerk, on which action is necessary by recommendation of the Committee.

(1). The Committee would report that from the Annual Report of the Board of Direction, it appears that:

(a). An audit has been made by Messrs. McWhorter, Boyce, Hughes and Farrell, certified public accountants of New York City, covering the financial condition and the Cash Summary for the financial year ending April 30th, 1917. From this it appears that they have verified the bonds, mortgages and stocks, and the amounts shown as balances. They certify that all cash transactions have been properly accounted for. It would also appear that all interests on loans has been met.

(b). The cost of administration of the funds of Synod appears to be under two dollars for every thousand dollars invested and drawing interest.

(c). The bonds, mortgages and other securities have been personally inspected by the Board and found to agree with the statement of investment now submitted. The printed report has

been checked against the original signed by the Treasurer and found to agree therewith.

(d). The Board reports little increase in the Widow's Fund; the churches have contributed \$11,000, together with annual payments by ministers toward income. The fund amounts now to a little over \$119,000. The Disabled Ministers' Fund on the other hand has received gifts from estates of Van Kleeck and Suydam in excess of \$53,000, making it over \$207,000. The Churches have given over \$11,500 in the year. This is the largest amount ever received from this source. The Board repeats its warning that a generation ago the Reformed Church led all communions in its provision for its aged ministers and their widows; but in recent years by organized effort and under the stimulus of awakened vision for the need there are others which have far outstripped it. The Board recommends the creation of a small commission of trained specialists and consecration to this work, who should within a year prepare a working method to raise an adequate endowment as has been done elsewhere. It is not the duty of the reporting committee to present resolutions on this subject, but these should come from the floor of Synod. Dr. Denis Wortman has sought to interest the churches and individuals to increase the funds to the limit of his power; the Board recommends that he be again named their agent for these funds, whatever other steps be taken in an organized way.

(e). The report of the Board of Direction devotes considerable space to the presentation of cogent arguments in opposition to a proposal to increase the number of the Board from five to nine. The Synod of 1916 (Minutes, 1916, page 721) directed the Board to take steps to this end and present its nominations of additional members in 1917. The reasons of weight with the Board of Direction are those which were effectual in 1906, when this same proposition was urged upon the Synod, and at which time the Synod voted against the proposed change. The Board has for these reasons presented no nominations and the matter has been removed from the arena of practical topics by the failure of a sufficient number of the Classes to approve a proposed amendment to the Constitution which should change the number elected to the Board of Direction in accordance with the change favored in 1916. The Committee recommends therefore that the Synod take action in accordance with the request of the Board of Direction, and reconsider its resolution of 1916 as respects the increase in the number of the Board, from five to nine.

On the other hand, the Synod of 1916 held the opinion that an increase in the number of the Board was in line with a modern trend of principle, whereby a broader distribution of responsibility should be effected. This trend is visible in legislation, and in the refusal

in new corporations to permit the formation of small bodies of trustees. The Committee therefore, recommends that the matter of increasing the number of the members of the Board of Direction be referred back to the Board for its further consideration and a new report, with a particular view to a proposition that the Treasurer of General Synod be made an ex-officio member of the Board instead of an elected member, on the expiration of his present elected term, and to the nomination of a new or sixth man at that time; and that the Committee on the Revision of the Constitution be requested and directed to confer with the Board of Direction with a view to having a satisfactory amendment to Section 113 introduced which shall state that the number of the trustees on the Board of Direction shall be as provided in the Charter or articles of incorporation of such body, thereby making it unnecessary to take to all the Classes a matter of purely civil law.

(f). The Board of Direction calls attention to the urgent appeals from the Treasurers of many Classes to reduce the assessments on the churches to provide funds to meet the cost of the Synods and to reduce the number of enactments requiring funds. The Committee transmits this urgency and appeal to the Synod.

(g). The Board of Direction reports that the plans for the improvement of the church house at 25 E. 22nd St., New York, have been moving to completion, but that the increasing cost of building materials have made the appointed Committee hesitate to start the work of reconstruction. Since the Synod has been in session, word has been received that the lowest estimates for reconstruction are in excess of \$30,000, which is \$7,000 in excess of the appropriation available. The Committee, therefore, recommend that the matter be laid on the table of the Special Committee and the Committee be continued.

The Committee offers the following Resolutions for adoption by the Synod:

(1). Resolved, That the report of the Treasurer of General Synod be accepted and incorporated into the records of this Synod.

(2). Whereas, The term of Mr. Wm. L. Brower as a member of the Board of Direction expires with the close of the present meeting of Synod.

Resolved, That Mr. Wm. L. Brower be and hereby is elected a member of the Board of Direction to serve for the term of five years.

(3). Resolved, That Mr. Wm. N. Clark be and he hereby is elected President of the Board of Direction for the term of one year next ensuing.

Whereas, The term of office of Mr. Frank R. Van Nest as

Treasurer of General Synod expires with the close of the present meeting of Synod.

(4). Resolved, That Mr. Frank R. Van Nest be and he hereby is elected Treasurer of General Synod for the term of one year next ensuing at an annual salary of \$2,500, payable quarterly upon his executing and delivering to the President of the Board of Direction a bond in the penal sum of ten thousand dollars, conditioned upon his faithful performance of all the duties of his office, on such terms and in such form as shall be approved by the Board of Direction, and with a Surety Company to be approved by such Board as a surety thereon; the premium on such bond to be paid from the funds of the Synod.

(5). Resolved, That at a proper time during the sessions of this Synod, a resolution be offered looking to the appointment of a suitable commission which shall take up and present in the near future a plan for the creation of an adequate endowment for the Widows' Fund and the Disabled Ministers' Fund, and the Synod urge upon the hearts and consciences of the ministers and the consistories that it is a duty of prime importance to secure increase in the gifts of the churches, and the matter be referred to the Committees on Widows' Fund and Disabled Ministers' Fund.

(6). Resolved, That the Synod extends to the Rev. Denis Wortman, synodical agent for these funds its sincere thanks for the work which he has done, and its hearty appreciation for the self-sacrificing devotion which he has manifested; and its hope and expectation that any extended plans for the future will not cause him to slacken his industry in the field in which he has so long and faithfully labored.

(7). Resolved, That the following appropriations be made under the precedents and practice established in 1909 (Minutes 1909, pp. 359, 360) and be chargeable upon the assessments upon the Classes for the year 1917-1918;

(a). A sum not to exceed \$160 for the expenses attaching to membership in the Alliance of the Reformed Churches throughout the world, being the allotment or pro rata of the Reformed Church.

(b). A sum not to exceed \$50 for the expenses attaching to membership in the Council of the Reformed Churches holding the Presbyterian System in the United States, being the pro rata or allotment of the Reformed Church.

(c). A sum not to exceed \$135 for the expenses attaching to membership in the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, being the allotment or pro rata of the Reformed Church.

(8). Resolved, That the Synod authorize and direct the Treasurer of Synod to assess the Classes for the entertainment of the

delegates to Synod to an amount not to exceed $2\frac{1}{2}$ cents per communicant member.

(9). Resolved, That the Synod authorize and direct the Treasurer of Synod to assess the Classes pro rata to meet the traveling expenses of the delegates to Synod to an amount not to exceed the sum of \$2,600.

(10). Resolved, That the Synod authorize and direct the Treasurer of Synod to assess the Classes pro rata to meet the contingent expenses of Synod to an amount not to exceed the sum of \$3,500.

(11). Resolved, That the Synod reconsider the resolution passed in 1916 and recorded in the Minutes on page 721 as follows:

"9. Resolved, That the Board of Direction be directed to take such steps as may be required by law to increase the number of directors of the 'General Synod of the Reformed Church in America from 5 to 9, and to send in their nominations for such additional directors to the General Synod of 1917.'"

As a substitute therefor:

(12). Resolved, That the Board of Direction be requested to consider and report upon the advisability of making the Treasurer of Synod a member *ex-officio* of the Board, instead of electing him a member at the end of the usual term. The place which he leaves vacant by this action could be filled by electing a new man, and the Board would then number six instead of five.

(13). Resolved, That the Committee on the Revision of the Constitution be requested to confer with the Board of Direction with a view to proposing an amendment to Sec. 113 which shall bring into accord the provisions of the Articles of Incorporation of the Board and provisions of the Constitution, as the former may be amended.

The Committee of three, familiar with real estate values and conditions in New York City and vicinity, who were appointed to examine the pieces and parcels of real estate covered by the mortgages held by the General Synod and to report, have printed a summary of their inspection and state that the protection of the interests of General Synod seems to be complete. The Committee on the Board of Direction recommend that the report of this Committee be referred to the Board of Direction for its information and record.

The Committee has received from a Committee a report respecting a new church home in New York City. The report is as follows:

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON NEW
CHURCH HOME.

To the General Synod, Reformed Church in America:

By resolution adopted in June, 1913, the General Synod appointed a special committee to submit a plan and methods whereby the needed money may be raised to build a new church home in New York City in which should be provided satisfactory quarters for the various Boards of the Church, and which should also provide for members of Reformed Churches visiting New York City, a place of comfort, counsel and aid. It was the further purpose of these resolutions that the new Church Home should take the place of the present Reformed Church building at 25 East 22nd St., which had become inadequate for the growing work of the church.

Your Committee made some study of the real estate situation in New York City, and reported to the General Synod of 1914, that to provide a building along the lines contemplated in the resolutions under which it was appointed, would require an expenditure of upward of \$200,000.00, owing to the high cost of real estate in suitable locations and the expense of construction. That report was received by the Synod and the Committee continued.

Faced with the difficulty of securing any such sum as above stated, the Committee has made little progress, hoping that conditions might change and enable it to carry forward the wishes of the Synod.

During the past year plans have been developed by a new Committee, authorized by the General Synod of 1916, for the management of the Church house. These plans involve a very material alteration of the building at 25 E. 22nd St., including the addition of another floor, the building of a partial new front and a rearrangement of the floor spaces to give adequate office facilities for the several boards, and also a provision for rooms to be used for the comfort and convenience of members of our churches visiting New York City. Your Committee is informed that these changes can be made at a small cost, compared with what would be involved in the erection of a new building, and inasmuch as this alteration plan for the present church house provides all those facilities contemplated in the resolution under which it was appointed, your Committee desires to express its approval of the plans developed by the Committee on the management of the Church House, and to ask that the Special Committee to provide a new Church Home be discharged from further consideration in the matter.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Signed) WM. T. DEMAREST,
Chairman.

The Committee on Board of Direction recommend that the Report be received, recorded in the Minutes and the Committee be discharged as requested by it.

A request from the Classis of the Cascades to be relieved from Synodical assessments for reasons of weight has been received. The Committee presents the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Synod decline to grant the request of the Classis of the Cascades to be statedly relieved by general resolution and exempted from all Synodical assessments, but recommend that the Classis be relieved from such assessment for the years of 1917-1918, for the reasons advanced in this overture.

A request for a ruling has been received from the Classis of Dakota as to the eligibility of the widow of a minister of the Reformed Church for relief from the Widows' Fund under the control of the Board of Direction. Two questions are raised:

1. The widow is not a member of the Reformed Church and never has been.

2. The deceased husband did not pay any assessments or premiums during his lifetime to the maintenance of the Widows' Fund.

1. The Board and its Committee rule that the membership in the Reformed Church, present or past, is not a pre-requisite to eligibility for aid, but the aid is open to any widow whose husband has met the second requirement of payment of premiums. (See also Minutes 1916, page 721. Resolution 7).

2. The Board and its Committee rule that a widow whose husband did not pay the insurance premiums to the Widows' Fund during his lifetime, is not eligible to any annuity after his death under the rules under which the Widows' Fund was established and is administered.

Respectfully submitted,

F. R. HUTTON,
J. B. NYKERK,
W. W. KOUWENHOVEN,
C. W. OSBORNE,
W. C. OLIVER,

Committee on the Board of Direction.

The Report was adopted.

ARTICLE V.

PROFESSORATE AND THEOLOGICAL SEMINARIES.

The following reports and communications were received and referred to the Committee on Professorate and Theological Seminaries, except when acted on directly by Synod.

Annual Report of the Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick, N. J.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America:

The Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick, N. J., met in the chapel of Hertzog Hall, Wednesday morning at ten o'clock, May 16, 1917. The meeting was opened with prayer by the President.

All of the members were present except the representatives from the Classes of South Long Island, Monmouth, Poughkeepsie and Saratoga, and one member at large from the Particular Synod of New York. On motion Rev. J. M. Farrar, D. D., Rev. C. P. Case, D. D., Rev. G. M. Conover and Professor M. S. Bogert were excused.

Rev. Thomas P. Vernoll was elected President, and Rev. H. W. Brink was chosen Temporary Clerk.

The Annual Report of the Faculty was received. The following students have been in attendance during the year:

POST GRADUATE.

Eldred Cornelius Vanderlaan, Muskegon, Mich., A. B. (Hope College, 1911). Alida Van Schaick Post-Graduate Scholar.
Harold William Schenck, Nutley, N. J., A. B. (Rutgers College, 1913). A. M. (Univ. N. Y., 1915).

SENIOR CLASS.

Thomas Adams, Brooklyn, N. Y., Lafayette College.
Frank DeWitt Blanchard, Paterson, N. J., A. B. (Rutgers College, 1914).
Charles Arlington Hallenbeck, Greendale, N. Y., A. B. (Rutgers College, 1914).
Howard Kanter, New York City.
John Ernest Mertz, New Brunswick, N. J., A. B. (Ursinus College, 1914).
George Moore, Jr., Pottersville, N. J.
Cornelius Bartel Muste, Grand Rapids, Mich., A. B. (Hope College, 1914).
Herbert Emmet Van Vranken, Schenectady, N. Y., A. B. (Hope College, 1914).

MIDDLE CLASS.

*John William Porter Collier, Plainfield, N. J., B. D. (Allen University, 1911).
Bradley Jacob Folensbee, Schoharie, N. Y., A. B. (Rutgers College, 1915).

*Ordained minister.

- Marion Gerard Gosselink, Pella, Iowa, A. B. (Hope College, 1915).
 John Robert Howard, New Brunswick, N. J., 394 Comstock St.
 Frank Alvin Langwith, Oceanport, N. J., Litt.B. (Rutgers College, 1915).
 Frederic Kull Shield, Highland Park, N. J., A. B. (Rutgers College, 1915).
 Miner Stegenga, North Holland, Mich., A. B. (Hope College, 1915).
 Harvey Ira Todd, Hyde Park, N. Y., A. B. (Rutgers College, 1915).
 Andrew Everet Van Antwerpen, Paterson, N. J.
 *†Joseph De Cross Virgil, Pleasant Plains, Staten Island, N. Y.

JUNIOR CLASS.

- Hugh St. Leger Booth, Yokohama, Japan, A. B. (Hamilton College, 1914).
 Charles Henry Campbell, New York City, A. B. (College of City of New York, 1915).
 Douwe De Boer, Hull, Iowa, Hope College.
 John Gabriel Gebhard, Jr., Mount Vernon, N. Y., A. B. (Hope College, 1916).
 Erich Theodore Muller, Jersey City, N. J., Bloomfield Seminary Academic Department.
 *Alexander Turner Paxson, New Brunswick, N. J., 147 Townsend St.
 Robert Wyckoff Searle, New Brunswick, N. J., A. B. (Rutgers College, 1915).
 George Steininger, Woodhaven, N. Y., A. B. (Hope College, 1916).
 †Paul Van Erden, New Brunswick, N. J., 59 Richardson St.
 George Henry Whisler, Newark, N. J., A. B. (Rutgers College, 1916).
 Frederick Zimmermann, Paterson, N. J., Rutgers College.

Reports were received from the Committees on the Reception of Students and Mid-Winter Examinations; also from the Committees on Written and Oral Examinations at the close of the year. The examinations, with a few exceptions, were sustained. It was voted that the members of the Senior Class be given their Professorial Certificates, and the members of the Middle and Junior Classes be advanced.

A report was received from the Nominating Committee ap-

*Not a candidate for the ministry.

†Not taking Hebrew and Greek.

pointed at a special meeting of the Board, held on March 5, 1917, to present a name for the Board's nomination to the General Synod for appointment to the chair of Hellenistic Greek and New Testament Exegesis, made vacant by the resignation of Professor J. Frederic Berg, Ph.D., D. D. The Board unanimously approved the recommendation of the Committee and it was

Resolved, That the Board of Superintendents nominate to the General Synod the Rev. John W. Beardslee, Jr., Ph.D., D. D., for election as Professor of Hellenistic Greek and New Testament Exegesis, in the New Brunswick Theological Seminary.

The Committee on Nomination of Professor for the newly-established chair of the English Bible and Christian Education presented the following resolutions, which were approved by the Board:

Resolved, That the Board of Superintendents request the General Synod for authority to make temporary arrangements for the chair of the English Bible and Christian Education for the year 1917-1918.

Resolved, That the Committee on Nominations be continued with power to make temporary arrangements for the chair of the English Bible and Religious Education for the year 1917-1918 if the General Synod shall give authority to the Board for such action, and to propose a nomination for the permanent professorship at a meeting of the Board prior to the meeting of the General Synod in 1918.

Resolved, That the Board further request the General Synod for authority to make temporary arrangements for the work in Biblical Theology for the year 1917-1918; and that, if such authority be given, the Committee on Nominations be instructed to make the arrangements.

Mr. Mertz and Mr. Muste have shared the income of the Augustus Sandham scholarship in the Senior Class, and Mr. Langwith is the Sandham scholar of the Middle Class. The Rev. Edward Lode-
wick prize for preaching for this year has been awarded to Mr. Muste of the Senior Class.

The Rev. John H. Gillespie, D. D., Lector in Missions, and Instructor in New Testament Text Criticism, has given the Seminary another year of faithful and appreciated service. In view of Dr. Gillespie's excellent and painstaking work with students deficient in Greek, the Board expressed its very high appreciation of this gratuitous, yet very valuable work.

Dr. Henry L. Southwick, President of the Emerson College of Oratory in Boston, Mass., during the second term lectured on Public Speaking, and gave private lessons to the students. Professor Edward Livingston Barbour, B. O., of Rutgers College has given in-

struction to the students in the same department, with equal satisfaction. Mr. Herman F. Dietman has also given instruction in voice training and vocal music.

Three lectures on Missions, on the Graves Foundation, were given by the Rev. G. Sherwood Eddy, having special reference to present world conditions, and presenting urgent claims upon American Christians for renewed consecration and greatly increased missionary service. The Rev. Floyd W. Tompkins, D. D., rector of Holy Trinity Protestant Episcopal Church of Philadelphia, Pa., delivered a course of three impressive addresses on "The Christian Ministry." Professor Edwin Lee Earp, Ph.D., of Drew Theological Seminary, the first of the Alumni Seminary Fund lecturers, gave a course of three lectures on "Some Problems of the Country Church." Rev. James M. Farrar, D. D., also lectured and gave instruction on "The Junior Congregation." Dr. Edgar J. Banks gave an illustrated address on "The Story of Ninevah and Babylon;" and the Rev. George Wood Anderson, D. D., presented the special claims of Evangelistic Work upon the Christian Pastor.

The following persons have also given addresses or lectures under the auspices of the Society of Inquiry: Miss K. R. Green, Mrs. Edward S. Ralston, Miss Olivia H. Lawrence, Rev. Henry Anet, Professor Walter E. Hoffsommer, Rev. Walter Erdman, Professor John H. Logan, Dr. Paul Harrison, Mr. Philip Chadbourne and Mr. George Hardy Paine.

The usual Missionary Conference was held, at which strong addresses were given by Mr. W. H. Farrar, Rev. William I. Chamberlain, D. D., Mr. William T. Demarest, and Rev. William P. Bruce, D. D.

The following action was taken:

Resolved, That the Board of Superintendents does hereby express its appreciation to the Alumni Association for its provision for the course of lectures this year on "Some Problems of the Country Church."

Resolved, That the General Synod be requested to appoint Rev. J. H. Gillespie, D. D., Lector in Missions and Instructor in New Testament Text Criticism for the coming year.

Resolved, That the action of the Professors in arranging for the private examinations of the students called to patriotic service, be approved.

The Board received from the Faculty a report conveying regretfully information that MacCormack Theological Seminary has enrolled and graduated a student of this institution "under discipline for serious moral delinquency in financial matters," without any letter of dismissal from us and in apparent violation of the agreement between the General Assembly of the Presbyterian

Church in the United States of America and the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America, binding the institutions under their control mutually to respect each other's process of discipline.

Resolved, That the Board again expresses its hope that the Board of Direction may devise some possible methods of securing funds for the much needed addition to the Library, and again asks whether the annuity bond system may not meet the need.

Resolved, That the Board recommend to General Synod that the number of laymen on the Standing Committee on the Seminary Grounds and Property be increased by one and that the Committee be divided into three classes, each class serving three years, and that Mr. Mason R. Strong be the additional member of the Committee.

Vacancies occur in the following Classes: Bergen, Greene, New Brunswick, Poughkeepsie, Rensselaer, Saratoga, and the Particular Synod of New Brunswick.

The following committees were appointed:

RECEPTION OF STUDENTS.

Rev. W. H. S. Demarest, D. D.,	Rev. A. T. Broek,
Rev. Charles S. Wright,	Elder Austin Scott, LL.D.

MID-WINTER EXAMINATIONS.

Rev. W. H. S. Demarest, D. D.,	Rev. Charles S. Wright,
	Elder Austin Scott, LL.D.

WRITTEN EXAMINATIONS.

Rev. Charles S. Wright,	Rev. C. P. Ditmars,
Rev. C. D. F. Steinfuhrer, D. D.,	Rev. Edgar Tilton, Jr., D. D.,
Prof. F. R. Hutton, Sc.D.,	Rev. Henri de Vries,
Rev. C. W. Gulick,	Rev. A. T. Broek,
Rev. Herman Hageman,	Rev. F. S. Wilson,
Rev. T. P. Vernoll,	Rev. H. W. Brink.

The President of the Board, Rev. T. P. Vernoll, was appointed to give the address to the graduating class next year, with Rev. Martin Flipse as his alternate.

The Commencement Exercises were held in Kirkpatrick Chapel, Thursday, May 17, 1917, at 11.45 a. m., and included an address on behalf of the Faculty by Professor J. Frederic Berg, an address on behalf of the Board of Superintendents by the retiring President,

Rev. J. A. Van Neste, and an address by Rev. William Elliott Griffis, D. D., L. H. D., the Alumni Orator.

HERMAN HAGEMAN,
C. P. DITMARS,
D. L. BETTEN,

Committee.

Attest: JASPER S. HOGAN,
Stated Clerk.

Annual Report of the General Synod's Permanent Committee on the Finances of the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick.

General Synod's Permanent Committee on the Finances of the Seminary at New Brunswick would respectfully report as follows:

On nomination of General Synod's Standing Committee on Seminary Grounds and Property at New Brunswick, N. J., Mr. E. Covert Hulst was elected a member of this Committee in place of the late Mr. J. S. Bussing.

This Committee, representing as it does in its constituency, the Board of Direction, the Committee on Grounds and Property, and the Board of Superintendents, has assigned to it a two-fold function; the distribution of undesignated gifts and incomes to the points of greatest need in the work of the institution; and the increase of the resources of the Seminary in the shape of additional needed equipment or larger needed endowment.

The offerings of the Churches for the current expenses have amounted to \$2,199. These gifts have been used for the same purposes as in previous years, and as promised in the circular asking for them.

The Permanent Seminary Fund has been increased by \$2,264.71, chiefly through the legacies of Mrs. Catherine S. DuBois, \$1,250, of Mrs. Mary B. Sanborn, \$1,000.

The Alcove Endowment Fund has been increased by \$1,000 through the legacy of Miss Josephine Hopkins. The Alumni Endowment Fund has been increased by \$175 given by the Association of the Alumni. The Museum Endowment Fund has been created by the legacy of Mr. John S. Bussing amounting to \$2,000. The total increase of endowments for the year is \$5,459.71.

The expenses of the Committee for the year have been less than six dollars.

The Committee would assure General Synod and the Church

of its appreciation of the constant response to our repeated appeals in behalf of this ancient institution honored of our divine Head in the work He has permitted it to do and honored by Him today in the type of men sent to her halls to prepare for service in the waiting harvest field. Her endowments have thus been increased in less than twenty years by more than fifty per centum, enabling improvement in every feature of administration, and through her two lectorships, her special instructors, her multiplied lectureships, her greatly enriched Library, increasing her inspirational and educative efficiency. The limit of her own aspiration, and we trust the Churches' aspiration for her, has however not been reached. A home for the sixth professor must be secured. The Gardner A. Sage Library, one of the finest owned by a Theological Seminary, must be enlarged to accommodate its accumulating treasures. The old pledge of General Synod to restore to their original amount the salaries of the professors, made upon their voluntary remission of one-sixth of their claims upon the Seminary Treasury in a time of financial stress, and never recalled to the attention of the Church until more pressing needs than merely personal ones had been met, must in all honor be kept. The much broadened demand upon the minister of today means an ever broadening curriculum in the school which trains him. The need for a professorship of Biblical Theology has long been felt. Were not the interested and thorough going efforts, virtually of the full grade of professorial service, of Dr. Gillespie, available under the modest guise and on the modest salary of a lectorship, a professorship of Missions would, in this missionary age, be imperative. Not a few also are those who believe that the facilities already provided in the institution, having in them inherently a large helpfulness for the lay worker among men, the teacher in the Sabbath School, the deaconess and especially the woman missionary who wish to be highly trained, should be made available for them. Your Committee has a program for the future. It believes, out of the experiences of the past few years, that conscientious and far-sighted men and women in our churches are ready to respond to such a programme. Will your Reverend Body give us a God-speed if we enter upon a forward movement, in no hope of immediate large achievements but in the confident hope of ultimate complete achievement.

J. R. DURYEE,
WILLIAM N. CLARK,
SAMUEL ROWLAND,
FRANK R. VAN NEST,
W. E. FLORANCE,

E. E. OLCOTT,
J. ADDISON JONES,
J. P. SEARLE,
E. COVERT HULST,
EDGAR TILTON, JR.

Annual Report of the Board of Superintendents of the Western Theological Seminary.

To the General Synod, R. C. A. :

The Board of Superintendents met in Semelink Family Hall, Holland, Mich., May 8-9, 1917. The meeting was opened with prayer.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

Ex-officio, Prof. J. W. Beardslee, Sr., D. D., Dean of the Seminary, and Rev. A. Vennema, D. D., President of Hope College.

No representatives were present from the Particular Synods of New York, Albany and New Brunswick. Letters of regret and explanatory of absence were received from the Synod of Chicago, Revs. P. Moerdyke, D. D., John Engelsman, C. Nettinga, A. Van den Berg and Elders Cornelius Dosker and H. E. Langeland.

FROM THE CLASSES.

Cascades—Rev. C. Heines.

Dakota— ———.

Germania—Rev. Henry Huenemann.

Grand River—Rev. John Steunenberg.

Holland—Rev. Benjamin Hoffman.

Illinois—Rev. J. P. Winter.

Iowa—Rev. Fred Lubbers.

Michigan—Rev. Henry Hospers, D. D.

Pella—Rev. A. Rozendal.

Pleasant Prairie— ———.

Wisconsin—Rev. H. J. Pietenpol.

OFFICERS.

Rev. Henry Hospers, D. D., was elected President, Rev. A. Van den Berg, Vice-President, and Rev. John Steunenberg, Temporary Clerk.

The Executive Committee and Committee on Reception of Students, for the year, are Revs. B. Hoffman, A. Van den Berg, S. C. Nettekang, P. Moerdyk, D. D., Elder C. Dosker, together with the faculty.

EXAMINATIONS.

The following classes and students were duly examined:

SENIOR CLASS.

John Jacob Althuis, Henry A. Bilkert, Geo. Wm. Bonte, Harry Hoffs, Henry C. Jacobs, Robert Kroodsma, Henry Poppen, Henry Van Eyck Stegeman, John J. Van Strien, John C. Van Wyk, H. M. Veenschoten.

MIDDLE CLASS.

John H. Bruggers, Marinus Cook, Roelof Duiker, Luppo Potgeter, Charles A. Stopples, Henry D. Ter Keurst.

JUNIOR CLASS.

Albert Bakker, Fred H. DeJong, Frank De Roos, Edwin W. Koeppe, John Kuite, Raymond J. Lubbers, Herman Maasen. Arthur Maatman, John S. Ter Louw, Gradus Van der Linden, Harry Van Egmond.

The reports of the Committee on Written Examinations and of the full Board attending the final oral examinations were satisfactory and all examinations were sustained. Professorial certificates were awarded to the Seniors and the Middle and Junior Classes were advanced in course.

THE FACULTY.

Faithful work marked the year and some features of the work showed a commendable enterprise, particularly the catechetical survey of the Chicago Synod. The need of emphasizing the culture of the Dutch language was dwelt upon and lectures in Dutch and reading courses were suggested as a help.

With much regret the Board reports the desire of Dr. Beardslee, Sr., to relinquish his labors in the Seminary. The Board has asked the other professors to take care of the subjects taught by Dr. Beardslee, Sr., and that no nominations for a professor be made until the next annual meeting of the Board. The Board hereby asks the General Synod to provide Dr. Beardslee an honorarium of \$500.00.

Our hopes of having a fifth professor may be realized in the near future, as the endowment of the fifth Professorship may be completed within a reasonable time.

LIBRARY.

The library now contains 12,161 volumes, a net gain for the year, after deducting all duplicates, of 547 volumes. Nearly twice as many books have been loaned as in any previous year, and this is the most impressive evidence of appreciation that can be given the various donors of books of this year as well as of previous years.

Cash donations also are much appreciated, and the Board by a rising vote thanked Dr. Beardslee for the gift of nearly \$500.00 to complete the \$5,000.00 Library Fund.

LECTURES.

The Student Lecture Committee secured the following excellent list of speakers during the past year:

Dr. Paul Harrison, on Some Phases of Mission Work.

Rev. I. H. Honeywell, on The Secret of Success.

Rev. John C. Willets, D. D., The Minister as a Business Man.

Rev. Willis Hoekje, on Japan, the Leader of the Orient.

Prof. Loetscher on The Minister of the 20th Century.

Rev. Ame Vennema, D. D., The Pulpit, Pew and Altar.

Rev. Wm. I. Chamberlain, D. D., on Exploits of the Mission Field, Theology in the Mission Field, Work of the Mission Field, Sociology in the Mission Field, Homiletics in the Mission Field.

Jack Kardiff on Muscular Christianity.

Robert E. Speer, D. D., on Comparative Opportunities of the Home and Foreign Mission Fields.

Rev. Henry Hospers, D. D., on The Heart of the Sacrament.

Rev. G. Boon McCreary, D. D., on Social Election, a Restatement.

Rev. M. E. Broekstra, on Samenwerking der Kerken (cooperation of the churches).

Rev. H. A. Musser, D. D., on Jungle Mission Work.

Bishop Theodore S. Henderson on God's Will Primary.

Bob Jones on Secrets of Success.

Rev. Richard H. Harper on Indian Mission Work.

COMMENCEMENT.

Rev. Jas. S. Kittell, D. D., who was to deliver the address, was not present, being unavoidably detained. The Rev. S. C. Nettinga delivered the address, and Rev. Jas. S. Kittell, D. D., was chosen to deliver the address for next year; the Rev. H. Hospers, D. D., was chosen secundus.

APPLICATION.

The Board hereby applies to Synod for \$500.00 for the ensuing year for the Teaching Fund of the Seminary.

Respectfully submitted,

J. P. WINTER, Chairman,

B. HOFFMAN,

C. HEINES.

Attest: P. MOERDYKE, Stated Clerk.

Report of the Permanent Committee on the finances of the Western Theological Seminary.

To the General Synod, R. C. A.:

In presenting our Annual Report, permit us to refer to the standing and work of this Committee. When Synod did, in 1909, create this Permanent Committee and upon recommendation of the Board of Superintendents, when Synod's Agent for the Seminary made his final Report, see Min. Gen. Synod 1909, pp. 371-373, it entrusted this committee with the management of the so-called "Salary Fund" and authorized it also to solicit, receipt for and transmit to the Treasurer of Gen. Synod bequests and other gifts for the endowment of the Seminary, besides that it secured the continued co-operation of the churches in caring for the support of the as yet unendowed professorships.

The annual reports of this committee to Synod show how this was done to the benefit and growth of your Western Seminary.

We refer to this because the Report of this committee to the Synod of 1916 gave occasion for the appointment of a special Committee, whose report is due at this meeting. See Min. Gen. Synod 1916, pp. 734 and 738.

The financial work has, during the year, been attended to by its Secretary, as "Professor emeritus in charge of the finances of the Seminary."

DONATIONS

Besides the gift of a first class piano by Miss Anna M. Sandham in memory of her brother, George Augustus Sandham, pulpit furniture for the chapel by Mr. and Mrs. Simon Bolks, of Sioux Center, Iowa, several smaller and anonymous gifts were received for the improvement of the grounds, whereby the value of Synod's property was greatly enhanced.

The bills for the completion and furnishing of the well appointed Student Home with its central heating plant, erected at a total cost of \$27,000, have all been paid. A small loan of \$5,000 has been cared for, without obligating the Synod, by a few friends, who took a deep interest in the erection and completion of this Student Home.

THE SALARY FUND.

This Fund, whose income is gathered from churches that choose to aid the work of the Seminary in this way, provides for the regular payment of the annual salaries of all the professors whose salaries are not met by the revenues of our limited endowments.

Its steady growth, both in number of contributing churches and in the amounts contributed is most gratifying. Although this somewhat novel manner of supporting a Seminary has its weakness and should not supplant the approved and more dependable support from annual income of an adequate endowment, it has nevertheless been of such blessing in the past and holds such promise for the future of the Seminary, that it is well worth while to foster this source of perennial income; because it creates and maintains a vital bond of helpful sympathy between the School and its constituency.

It has time and again proven to be a safe and strong way to tide over emergencies as they arose and will continue to embarrass until your Western Seminary has been enriched with endowments sufficient for its adequate support.

We thought that this Fund had reached a high water mark last year when we reported receipts aggregating \$3,031, then an excess of nearly five hundred dollars above the previous year. But, this year has given us again an encouraging surprise as the following exhibit shows:

These offerings, aggregating the splendid total of \$3,437.54 came

From	4	churches	in	the	Classis	of	Cascades.....	\$54	22
"	11	"	"	"	"	"	Dakota	119	97
"	15	"	"	"	"	"	Germania	167	85
"	23	"	"	"	"	"	Grand River	343	69
"	18	"	"	"	"	"	Holland	327	27
"	4	"	"	"	"	"	Illinois	54	19
"	31	"	"	"	"	"	Iowa	596	45
"	15	"	"	"	"	"	Michigan	254	20
"	9	"	"	"	"	"	Pella	152	62
"	17	"	"	"	"	"	Pleasant Prairie	249	08
"	32	"	"	"	"	"	Wisconsin	579	36
"	12	"	"	"	"	"	Rochester	84	50
"	13	"	"	"	other	Classes		136	06
"					several	friends	extra gifts totaling.....	215	00

These freewill offerings to the support of the Seminary merit grateful recognition.

ENDOWMENT.

This is our imperative need.

Endowment offerings that will raise the present nucleus of a six thousand dollars property Fund to at least \$20,000, the income of which will begin in some measure to meet our annual expenses.

And second, immediate endowment for the Fifth Chair, viz., that of Old Testament Languages and Literature, now vacant because our Senior Professor, the Rev. Dr. John W. Beardslee, dean of the Seminary, has felt himself constrained to relinquish his arduous work on account of advanced age.

This calls for \$30,000, and calls for it urgently.

During the year this work for endowment has been pushed with success, considering the stress of these days. Much preliminary work has been done. Already \$3,726 has been remitted to the Treasurer of Synod, legacies to the amount of \$2,000 are in transit, one of \$1,000 from the late Hon. Jacob den Herder an elder of the First Reformed Church at Zeeland, Mich., and two legacies of five hundred dollars each from warm friends of the Seminary in the Reformed Church of Alto, Wis., besides between two and three thousand dollars is already pledged payable during the summer.

The above mentioned accounts have been audited and found correct by a sub-committee of this Com., composed of Messrs. B. Dosker and J. N. Trompen.

The prosperous condition of the Salary Fund has enabled our Secretary to remit to the Treas. of the Gen. Synod regularly sufficient amounts to enable him to pay quarterly and regularly the salaries of Synod's professors in full at the rate of \$1,600 per annum, and it promises, with the approval of Synod, that these salaries can be increased to \$1,800 per annum for the ensuing year; but, even at that rate the teachers in Synod's Western Seminary who must provide by purchase or rental for their own homes receive less than any theological Seminary in our section pays its professors.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

We offer the following:

1. That the many friends whose special gifts have during the year enriched the Seminary receive the thanks of Synod.
2. That the generosity of the many churches that have by their offerings to the Salary Fund so materially aided the support of the Seminary be gratefully acknowledged and that they be affectionately urged to continue this highly appreciated beneficence.
3. That churches which have adopted the Budget or Duplex-envelope system be kindly requested to give the Western Theological Seminary a place in that schedule of their benevolence during the year.
4. That the General Synod be and hereby is requested to recommend the Western Theological Seminary to the Board of Education for appropriation in the sum of \$1,000, to be paid to the

Treasurer of the General Synod for the support of the teaching force of the Seminary.

This is asked for the Seminary because of the peculiar and important relation which this School sustains to the specific work of preparing young men for the Gospel ministry, and because it is not desired for any contingent need, but for the direct support of the teaching force of Synod's Theological Seminary.

5. Finally, we advise the Synod that the terms of the following members of the committee expire at this meeting of General Synod, viz.: Revs. John W. Beardslee and James F. Zwemer and Elder Barend Dosker; also that during the year our committee sustained the loss by death of one of its valued members, viz., Mr. Teunis Prius, whose vacancy must be filled.

Respectfully submitted for and by the Committee by its Secretary,

JAMES F. ZWEMER.

PRELIMINARY REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PROFESSORATE AND THEOLOGICAL SEMINARIES.

Your Committee recommends:

1. That the resignation of the Rev. Prof. J. Frederick Berg, as Professor of Hellenistic Greek and New Testament Exegesis in the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick, be accepted and that he be granted a letter of dismissal from General Synod to the South Classis of Long Island.

2. That General Synod make the first order of the day, Saturday, the election of a Professor of Hellenistic Greek and New Testament Exegesis in the New Brunswick Theological Seminary.

And, a Professor of Theology in the Arcot Theological Seminary.

3. That nominations other than those of the Board of Superintendents be made at the close of the 4 o'clock address this afternoon (Friday).

The Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick nominate to General Synod the Rev. Prof. John W. Beardslee, Jr., of the Western Theological Seminary for Professor of Hellenistic Greek and N. T. Exegesis in the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick.

The Board of Superintendents of the Arcot Theological Seminary nominate to General Synod the Rev. Lewis R. Scudder for Professor of Theology in the Arcot Theological Seminary.

The Report was adopted.

On motion the Synod decided to take a nominating ballot for additional candidates for the professorship in the New Brunswick Theological Seminary. The ballot was taken on Saturday and resulted as follows: Blank, 85, Rev. Simon Blocker 46, scattering votes 23. Total 154.

The Rev. Simon Blocker having received more than one-fourth of the votes cast, was declared in nomination.

The electing ballots were taken on Monday. On the fifth ballot the Rev. John W. Beardslee, Jr., D. D., received the required three-fourths majority, and was declared elected as Professor of Hellenistic Greek and New Testament Exegesis in the New Brunswick Theological Seminary.

The call was signed by the President in the presence of the Synod.

On motion the Synod waived its right to nominate additional candidates for the Professorship of Theology in the Arcot Theological Seminary.

An electing ballot was taken, and the Rev. Lewis R. Scudder, M. D., D. D., having received the required majority, was declared elected as Professor of Theology in the Arcot Theological Seminary, India.

The call was signed by the President in the presence of the Synod.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PROFESSORATE AND THEOLOGICAL SEMINARIES.

The following communications have been referred to your Committee

REGARDING THE SEMINARY AT NEW BRUNSWICK.

1. The Annual Report of the Board of Superintendents.
2. The Report of the Standing Committee on Seminary Grounds and Property, accompanied by the Treasurer's report.
3. The Report of General Synod's Committee on the Finances of the Seminary.
4. Nominations to the Board of Superintendents.
5. The resignation of the Rev. Prof. J. Frederick Berg, as

Professor of Hellenistic Greek and New Testament Exegesis, and acting lector in Biblical Theology and English Bible.

REGARDING THE WESTERN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

1. The Annual Report of the Board of Superintendents.
2. The Report of General Synod's Committee on the Finances of the Seminary.
3. Nominations to the Board of Superintendents.
4. The Resignation of the Rev. Prof. John W. Beardslee.
5. A letter of dismissal of the Rev. Prof. John E. Kuizinga, from the Classis of Michigan to the General Synod.
6. The Resignation of Rev. John W. Beardslee, Jr., as Professor of Greek in the Western Theological Seminary.

REGARDING THE ARCOT THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

1. Nomination by the Board of Superintendents of the Rev. Lewis R. Scudder, for Professor of Theology.

DISPENSATIONS.

1. An overture from the South Classis of Bergen for a dispensation permitting it to examine Mr. James Boyd Hunter, Jr., a student of Union Theological Seminary in New York City, for licensure and ordination.
2. An overture from the Classis of Kingston for a dispensation permitting it to examine Mr. Dubois Lefever, a student in Union Theological Seminary, New York City, for licensure and ordination.
3. An overture from the Classis of Palisades for a dispensation to examine Mr. Eustice Jacobellis for licensure and ordination.
4. An overture from the Classis of New Brunswick for a dispensation from the study of Hebrew and Greek for Mr. Paul Van Eerden.

THE SEMINARY AT NEW BRUNSWICK.

We recommend:

1. That General Synod commend the work done by the Seminary and endorse the broader program for the future, and wish it not only God-speed in the forward movement, but also ask the church to respond in such manner as to make the vision a reality.
2. That we extend our thanks to Rev. Prof. J. W. Gillespie for his gratuitous services to the Seminary.

3. That the Board of Superintendents be granted authority to make temporary arrangement—

(a). For the Chair of English Bible and Christian Education for 1917-1918.

(b). For instruction in Biblical Theology for 1917-1918.

4. That Rev. Prof. J. H. Gillespie be appointed Lector in Missions and Instructor in New Testament Text Criticism for 1917-1918.

5. That the attention of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America be called to an apparently serious violation of an agreement with the Reformed Church in America, regarding students under discipline, for having received and graduated "a student under discipline in our Seminary."

6. That the attention of the Board of Direction be called to the fact that Synod asked them to devise a method of securing a needed addition to the Library.

7. That Mr. Samuel Rowland be reappointed on General Synod's Standing Committee on Seminary Grounds and Property, and that Mr. Mason R. Strong be added to the same Committee and that the lay members of the Committee be divided into three classes of two each, each class to serve two years.

8. We concur in the suggestion of the Board of Direction that \$250 be added to the salary of each Professor receiving less than \$2,750 for the current year.

9. We recommend the following nomination to the Board of Superintendent:

From the Classis of Greene—Rev. J. A. Dykstra.

From the Classis of New Brunswick—Rev. W. H. S. Demarest.

From the Classis of Poughkeepsie—Rev. C. P. Case.

From the Classis of Rensselaer—Rev. E. A. MacCullom.

From the Classis of Saratoga—Rev. H. F. Hamlin.

From the Particular Synod of Albany—Elder J. Townsend Lansing.

From the Particular Synod of New Brunswick—Elder Austin Scott.

10. We recommend that in the matter of the installation of the Rev. John W. Beardslee, Jr., as professor of Hellenistic Greek and N. T. Exegesis, that the following be the order of exercises: To preside, the Vice-President of General Synod; to preach the sermon, the President of General Synod; to deliver the charge to the professor elect, the Rev. Prof. John W. Beardslee, Sr.; to offer the prayer of installation, the Rev. James M. Farrar. That the

Stated Clerk represent General Synod in the matter of signing the formula.

That in the event of a participant being unable to take part he be given authority to select his own secundus.

WESTERN SEMINARY.

The Report of the Board of Superintendents shows that faithful work has been done in the Seminary, and that the examinations of all students were sustained.

There is great hope of establishing the fifth professorship within a short time.

The Board expresses appreciation of an additional gift of \$500 by Dr. Beardslee to complete the Library.

The Finance Committee reports that the Student Home erected at a cost of \$27,000 has been paid for in full. The salary fund needs a more dependable means of support, and endowment is the imperative need of the Seminary.

Prof. J. F. Zwemer has done heroic work for the finances of the Seminary.

We recommend:

1. That the good work of the Seminary be commended and that the churches be urged to increase their contributions.

2. That the resignation of the Rev. Prof. John W. Beardslee, as Professor of Old Testament Languages and Literature be accepted; that he be made Professor Emeritus, and given an Honorarium of \$500.

3. That the Board of Education make an appropriation of \$500 for the teaching fund, to be paid to the Treasurer of General Synod.

4. We recommend the following nominees to the Board of Superintendents:

From the Particular Synod of Chicago, Rev. John Engelsmann.

From the Classis of Grand River, Rev. John Steunenberg.

5. That the letter of the Rev. Prof. John E. Kuizenga from the Classis of Michigan to General Synod be received.

6. That Rev. J. W. Beardslee, Rev. J. F. Zwemer and B. Dosker be reappointed on Synod's Permanent Committee on the Finances of the Seminary.

7. That the resignation of Rev. Prof. John W. Beardslee, Jr., as professor of Greek in the Western Theological Seminary be accepted.

8. That authority be given the Board of Superintendents to make temporary arrangements for carrying on the work in the departments made vacant by resignation of Prof. John W. Beardslee and Prof. John W. Beardslee, Jr.

DISPENSATIONS.

Your Committee recommend as follows:

1. That the overture of the So. Classis of Bergen to examine Mr. James Boyd Hunter, Jr., for licensure and ordination be returned to the Classis to be presented at the proper time.

And that dispensations be granted:

2. To the Classis of Kingston to examine for licensure and ordination Mr. Dubois LeFevre, a graduate of Union Theological Seminary.

3. To the Classis of Palisades to examine for licensure and ordination Mr. Eustice Jacobellis.

4. That Mr. Paul Van Eerden, a student in the New Brunswick Seminary be given a dispensation from the study of Hebrew and Greek.

Pending final action on this report, we suggest that the representatives of the Seminaries be heard.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. JAMES S. KITTELL,
REV. JOHN LAMAR,
REV. A. F. MABON,
REV. C. S. WRIGHT,

REV. P. S. LEINBACH,
ELDER GILES VAN DUYNE,
ELDER JOHN BINGHAM,
ELDER P. H. DEPREE.

A Resolution was adopted authorizing the President of Synod to write to Prof. J. W. Beardslee, Jr., binding Synod to provide him with free use of a house at New Brunswick.

(Quotation from the Journal, Tuesday afternoon).

"At the conclusion of the consideration of the Report, the representatives of the Theological Seminaries were invited to address Synod. Prof. J. W. Beardslee, Sr., spoke for the Western Seminary. His address was in part historical and reminiscent, and outlining the development of the Seminary during his nearly thirty years association with it. The address and the personality of the speaker made a profound impression upon the Synod, and when the President arose to reply Synod, spontaneously, as one man, rose with him. The Chair made suitable and feeling remarks recognizing the services of Dr. Beardslee and expressing the gratitude of the church for the work which he had had so large a share in the development of the Western institution. Thus ended a remarkable event in the experience of Synod, and one indelibly impressed upon the memory of every one present."

Dr. Searle spoke in regard to the New Brunswick Seminary on Wednesday morning.

The Report was adopted.

ARTICLE VI.

EDUCATION, ACADEMIES AND COLLEGES.

THE FIFTY-FIRST ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COUNCIL
OF HOPE COLLEGE.

The Council of Hope College herewith presents to the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America its Annual Report as follows:

The festivities of commencement week, 1916, were a happy consummation of a half century of devoted and self-sacrificing educational work carried on here by men prepared and chosen of God for its performance. The aim at the opening of this academic year was to have it sound a strong keynote for the second half century of the existence of our institution.

I. ORGANIZATION OF THE COUNCIL.

At its regular session in June, 1916, the Council was organized by the election of the following officers:

President—Rev. Albert Vandenberg.

Vice-President—Rev. Henry J. Veldman.

Secretary—Hon. Gerrit J. Diekema.

Treasurer—Prof. Edward D. Dimmett.

The term of office expires of the following members appointed by General Synod:

Hons. Arend Visscher, Gerrit J. Diekema, Albert Lahuis.

II. THE FACULTY.

Extensive changes have occurred in the personnel of the faculty. Prof. J. H. Kleinheksel after a continuous connection with the faculty for thirty-one years, and serving many years as Vice-President of the College, died last June. The vacancy was filled by the appointment of Prof. John W. Beath, A. M. Prof. D. B. Yntema after twenty-three years of devoted service resigned the chair of Physics and Prof. William B. Pietenpol, M. S., Ph. D., was chosen to succeed him. Prof. Ludwig Eyme was appointed head of the Department of Modern Languages, and Prof. Carl J. Knock of the Department of Education. Miss Christine C. Van Raalte, valedictorian of the class of 1916, was engaged as instructor in Latin and French. One year's leave of absence was granted Prof. Wynand Wichers in order to do post-graduate work at the University. Mr.

John J. De Boer, of the Graduate School of the University of Michigan, will fill his place during his absence. Rev. Paul F. Scheulke, Ph. D., Curator of the Museum, departed this life April 1st, 1917.

III. THE ENROLLMENT.

The total enrollment of students in the institution is as follows:

College	217
Preparatory School	107
Special	50
School of Music.....	60
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Total	435

IV. RELIGIOUS CONDITION.

The state of religion in the institution during the past year has been very gratifying. Twenty-five have united with the church and eleven others have expressed their intention of doing so in the near future. The percentage of church members in Hope College is 71.8. Of the 238 church members all but 25 belong to the Reformed Church in America. Forty-nine young men look forward to the Gospel ministry, while twenty men and ten women purpose giving their lives to service in the foreign field. In addition to these, thirteen young men will seek appointment as medical missionaries.

The Y. M. C. A. has a membership of 145 and the Y. W. C. A. numbers 98. Both organizations report most helpful devotional meetings.

Under the direction of the Student Volunteer Band, students and faculty assumed responsibility for the salary of Mr. John D. Muyskens, Hope, 1914, Principal of Madanapalle High School in India.

The Student Council has persuaded the student body to adopt the honor system at examinations. Its operation at the last term end examination, when it was first tried, has proved highly satisfactory.

V. PRIZES AND CONTESTS.

The reputation which our College has acquired for high standing in oratory and debate has been well sustained. Mr. Irwin J. Lubbers of the senior class, who last year received first honors in the State Prohibition Contest in Adrian and second place in the Inter-

state Prohibition Contest in Atlantic City, won first honors in the Michigan Oratorical League Contest in March. He was one of the three successful competitors in the Eastern Section of the Inter-state Contest held at Butler College, Indianapolis, on April 13, which entitles him to appear in the National Contest at Carlton College, Northfield, Minn., May 4th. On the debating platform Hope defeated Kalamazoo College 3 to 0 at Hillsdale on March 16th, while on April 13th Hope's second team defeated Olivet College 3 to 0 at Holland, and Hope's third team won out 2 to 1 against the Alma College team. In the three year triangular contract between Alma, Hope and Olivet, just completed, Hope won 5 decisions against Alma 2 and Olivet 2.

VI. SCHOLARSHIPS.

The regents of the University of Michigan have granted Prof. Wynand Wichers, Hope 1909, a fellowship in the Department of History. The faculty of Hope College has nominated Mr. John R. Mulder, 1917, primarius to the Michigan State College Fellowship at the University of Michigan, and Miss Clara E. Yntema, 1916, as alternate. The regents of the University of New York have awarded a graduate assistantship in Chemistry to Mr. Lawrence H. Dalman.

VII. LIBRARY.

During the year 272 new books have been added to the library, and the Reading Room tables have been well supplied with monthly periodicals and newspapers. The College has received from a kind friend in Chicago the promise of \$1,000, the interest on which will be available for the purchase of new books and equipment for the Library.

VIII. FINANCES.

The effort to obtain an increase of \$40,000 to the Endowment Fund to bring it up to \$500,000 by June 16, 1916, the day of the celebration of the 50th anniversary of the College, resulted in our obtaining \$56,200.00. The receipts during the year exceeded the expenditure by \$205. Two hundred churches made contributions during the year, as against one hundred and forty-three last year.

IX. APPLICATION FOR CHANGE IN THE CONSTITUTION OF HOPE COLLEGE.

The following resolution was adopted by a unanimous vote of the Council, comprising a majority of all the members elected:

Resolved, That No. 4 of Paragraph Four of chapter III of the

Constitution of Hope College be amended so as to read as follows:

"3. Such funds shall not be invested except in securities in which savings deposited in the Savings Banks or the Savings Departments of the State Banks of the State of Michigan may be invested in accordance with the laws of the State of Michigan."

It was further resolved that this amendment be presented to the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America for consideration and approval at its next meeting.

X. APPLICATION FOR AID.

Appreciating most heartily the interest which the Church through its Board of Education has always shown in the work and welfare of our institution, we respectfully request the General Synod to instruct its Board to appropriate the same amount received last year, namely, \$3,500, as the minimum of our requirement.

And we humbly request the General Synod once more to recommend Hope College to all the churches, east and west, for a liberal offering. We feel that when we ask the churches to support our work we are asking them to provide for their own future leadership and for the perpetuation and extension of the missionary propaganda which they have inaugurated.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TREASURER, APRIL 1, 1916— APRIL 1, 1917.

CURRENT FUNDS.

RECEIPTS.

Cash Brought Forward	\$204 15
Interest—	
Mortgages	\$22,203 32
Bonds	120 00
Notes	342 50
Daily balance	318 42
Trust funds	1,474 86
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	24,459 10
Board of Education for General Synod.....	3,500 00
Churches	3,562 55
Individuals	529 65
Fees and Rents	8,940 22
Replacement	117 12
Library	108 76

GENERAL SYNOD.

Prizes	60 00
Land Rents	185 96
Trust Funds Current	460 00
Sundries	579 47
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	\$42,706 98.

DISBURSEMENTS.

Salaries	\$26,906 74
Light	390 28
Fuel	1,665 39
Water	242 04
Printing and Catalogues	1,074 23
Repairs	1,169 93
Supplies	1,351 89
Labor	23 65
Advertising	65 00
Prizes	240 92
Taxes	756 17
Trust Funds	7,163 97
Travel	529 45
Sundries	923 04
Balance	204 28
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	\$42,706 98

PERMANENT FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Cash Brought Forward	\$21,588 24
Loans Paid	36,605 01
Individuals	21,541 19
Board of Education	4,500 00
Land Sales	99 85
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	\$84,304 29

DISBURSEMENTS.

Investment—	
Mortgage	\$52,411 80
Bonds	\$22,591 42
Account Interest	547 77
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	23,139 19
Balance	8,753 30
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	\$84,304 29

SURVEY OF THE PERMANENT FUNDS, APRIL 1, 1917.

Total Permanent Fund (F 2).....	\$544,949 14	
Building Loans April 1, 1916.....	\$15,903 28	
Individual gifts, 1917, to Liquidate		
Building Loans	276 00	
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	\$15,627 28	
Contingent Loan April 1,		
1916	\$22,168 86	
Current Surplus, 1917	204 28	
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	21,964 58	
Total Permanent Funds less Pay-		
ment on Building Loans and		
Current Loan, April 1, 1917..	480 28	
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	544,468 86	
Annuities—		
Voorhees Fund	100,000 00	
Semelink Gymnasium Fund.....	4,000 00	
Semelink Monument Fund.....	3,000 00	
Susan De Swarte Fund.....	100 00	
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	107,100 00	
Trust Funds—		
Alida Mink Fund.....	9,178 65	
Semelink Theological Scholarship		
Fund	2,000 00	
Semelink Salary Maintenance Fd.		
W. T. S.	3,000 00	
Semelink Monument Maintenance		
Fd.	500 00	
Semelink Grammar School Fund..	2,000 00	
Anderson Fund	1,000 00	
Ame and Elisabeth Vennema		
Memorial Fund	2,500 00	
Philo-Sherman Bennett Fund...	500 00	
Gerard Beekman Fund.....	1,500 00	
Coles Prizes Fund.....	2,000 00	
Gen. Synod R. C. A. Sem. Fd..	1,000 00	
Peter Lepeltak Fund.....	1,505 50	
George Birkhoff, Jr., Prizes Fd..	1,000 00	
Gerrit Albers Prizes—		
Southland Medals Fund.....	100 00	
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	27,784 15	
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	134,884 15	
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	\$409,584 71	

Inactive Funds—

Real Estate	10,000 90	
Building Loans	15,627 28	
De Hope	2,500 00	
Current Loan	21,964 58	
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		50,091 86
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		\$359,492 85
Promissory Notes		8,550 00
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Total Productive Funds.....		\$368,042 85

EDWARD D. DIMNENT,
Treasurer.

Submitted to and approved by the Council, April 25, 1917.

We are looking forward with much uncertainty and no little solicitude toward the coming scholastic year. We cannot tell what it may bring forth. Unless an unforeseen and fortunate turn of events terminate the war suddenly and soon, there is every reason to believe that the attendance of students next year will be much smaller and that in consequence our income will be considerably reduced, while our overhead expenses must necessarily remain almost the same. And, what is worse, the important work of training young men for Christian leadership in times of peace may be seriously interrupted and limited. We shall need more than ever the coming year the encouragement and support of the church at large and the guidance and blessing of Almighty God, whose help we have enjoyed so richly in the years that are past.

GERRIT J. DIEKEMA,
Secretary of the Council.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CENTRAL COLLEGE.

Pella, Iowa, May 28, 1917.

To the General Synod, R. C. A. convened at Asbury Park, N. J.,
May 31, 1917.

Fathers and Brethren:

Almost a year has passed since there came to the Reformed Church, in America, as a free gift from the Baptist Church, the institution of learning, designated as Central College and located at Pella, Iowa. And in this first report to the General Synod, R. C. A., its Board of Trustees desires to record their gratitude for the evi-

dent leading of the Divine hand in giving us this institution, as well as for the Divine favor and blessing enjoyed during the first year of our control.

Central College aspires to be the recruiting station for the ministers, missionaries, teachers and leaders in other professions of this western section of our church; she hopes to be the means through which our people in these regions shall take a noble part in the extension of God's Kingdom throughout the world, and in the development of this glorious country of ours. And it may be further added that our churches in these parts increasingly look to Central College for the realization of that hope, as is evident from their interest taken in her affairs and from their willingness to help bear her burdens.

All things considered, the work of the year has been very gratifying. The health of faculty and students has been very good, and they have worked together very harmoniously. There have been no serious breaches of decorum among the students and no cases involving serious discipline thus far. The spirit and loyalty of the students have been very admirable. We expect to graduate this year a class of nine: eight with degree of A. B. and one with the degree of Mus. B. The religious condition of the student body is encouraging. Over 93 per cent. of the students in the College department, and about 92 per cent. of those in the Academy department are professing Christians. We have eleven who have definitely declared themselves as preparing for the Gospel ministry. Their church affiliation is predominantly Reformed. Whereas formerly the majority belonged to the Baptist Church, and a minority to the Reformed and other denominations, the situation is now reversed. As the Baptist students that have begun their work with us, complete their courses, the church connection of the student body will tend more and more toward the Reformed Church.

The College has an efficient faculty of fifteen members in addition to the president, nine of whom teach in the college department, three in the Academy department, two in the Music department, and one in the Commercial department. The total enrollment of students during the year is 166. Of these 63 are enrolled in the college department, 38 in the Academy department, 20 in the commercial department, and 45 in the music department. Central College is placed on the list of accredited colleges by the State Board of Examiners: it ranks among the best of the smaller denominational colleges of our country in the estimation of such eminent authorities as the University of Illinois and the University of Chicago. The school aims to be truly and broadly Christian in all its departments and activities, and seeks to build character as well as to train the mind. The curriculum is so arranged that no

one can graduate from Central College without a fairly thorough knowledge of our English Bible. It is therefore an ideal place for the education of young men and young women for the most responsible positions in life.

Financially this first year has been a struggle. The small endowment of \$50,000 that was subscribed by Pella and vicinity last summer, does not bear interest this year. Tuition and fees, according to the custom in the Reformed Church, have been reduced to the lowest possible figure, in order that it may be possible for even the poorest young man or young woman to receive a liberal education, if they will apply themselves and practice economy. The income from this source has therefore been only \$3,680, which is only a little over one-seventh of the amount necessary for the current expenses for the school during the year. Last January an appeal was made to the churches of the Denomination west of Chicago for contributions for current expenses, and some of these churches have responded nobly. A little over \$1,000 has come in from these sources, and many churches will still contribute in the near future. (A list of the churches that have contributed and the amounts they contributed, will be found accompanying this letter). The Board wishes to express its heartfelt thanks for these evidences of loyalty and devotion to the cause of higher Christian education. From the Board of Education, R. C. A., the college has received material assistance to the extent of \$3,500; and also this is most cordially appreciated. Two men have been employed for the college to act as Financial agents, namely Rev. B. F. Brinkman, who is to labor chiefly east of Des Moines, and Mr. K. DeJong, who is to labor west of Des Moines. Their duty is not only to secure subscriptions to our endowment, but also to collect monies for current expenses. Mr. Brinkman has already been engaged in this work for a few months and has met with some gratifying success.

The financial situation of the college, aside from the building projects (which will be mentioned later) may be summed up as follows: The college now has a productive endowment of \$58,541; but it will need as soon as possible an endowment of at least \$200,000 in order to comply with the requirements of the State Board of Examiners as well as of our own needs. The entire budget of expenses of the school for the year amounts in round numbers to \$21,000; and this entire obligation has in one way and another been met, so that we can close the college year without debt. Besides that, we have in notes and pledges that come due during the next four or five years some \$8,710, making the total amount of money handled this year \$88,251. This entire amount, with the exception of what was received from the Board of Education, the contribu-

tions from the churches for current expenses, and some \$2,500 from three outlying churches for endowment purposes, has been raised during the year in Pella and immediate vicinity. A great many things conspired to keep our representatives from going into other communities for subscriptions to our endowment. The northwestern part of the State, comprehending the churches of the Iowa Classis, was pre-empted this year for the N. W. C. Academy, a special effort being made to enlarge the endowment of that institution. The German Classes asked to be excused from contributing toward the endowment funds of Central College this year on the ground that they were making special efforts toward raising money for a gymnasium for the Academy at German Valley. Besides that, our financial agents did not get ready to begin their work, until well along in the winter. Only a few months have therefore been devoted to the work. A great many preliminary arrangements had to be made before the cause of Central College could get the right of way. The Board hopes and prays that after the efforts of this year, the work of raising the necessary endowment funds will progress more expeditiously.

In addition to the trying circumstances of the lack of funds came the burning of the college auditorium on Feb. 28th. The reason of the fire is not fully known, apparently due to a spark from the flue. The building is practically a total loss. It was estimated to be worth \$20,000. At present prices it would probably cost nearly twice that amount to restore it. With the building were burned a practice pipe-organ, a Grand piano, a heavy curtain and a rug in addition to other furniture. Fortunately the entire library with the shelving, which occupied one of the rooms of the building, was saved. By a very moderate estimate the library is worth \$10,000 and it would be fairer to estimate it at \$12,000.

The Board, as led by the Executive Committee, realizing our dependence on Almighty God, and knowing that even this calamity did not occur apart from His loving purposes, did not sit down in discouragement, but immediately cast about for ways and means for rebuilding. Some of the things that were destroyed will have to be restored at once if the school is to continue. Rev. Brinkman was therefore instructed to receive gifts for rebuilding purposes, and something has already been done along that line. The Board feels confident that the people of the Reformed Church, who believe in higher Christian education and who love the Kingdom of Jesus Christ which this school is designed to promote, will come to their aid with a special gift in this trying hour of our need.

The matter of working out a plan for the government of Central College, which was referred to this Board and the Board of Education, R. C. A. with instructions to report at this session of

General Synod, will be presented by the Board of Education, R. C. A., in their report to this body. (See Min. Gen. Synod 1916, p. 765, No. 5.)

Respectfully submitted,

J. WESSELINK,

Secretary of Board of Trustees.

RECEIVED FROM CHURCHES FOR CENTRAL COLLEGE.

First Church of Fulton, Ill.	\$24 81
First Church of Otley, Ia.	40 46
First Church of Eddyville, Ia.	4 00
First Church of Prairie City, Ia.	7 02
First Church of Pella, Ia.	1,122 45
Logan Church of Logan, S. D.	13 00
Elim Church of Kings, Ill.	6 00
Stout Church of Stout, Ia.	27 17
Salem Church of Little Rock, Ia.	34 00
Third Church of Pella, Ia.	40 00
Muscatine, Ia.	5 15
Oskaloosa, Ia.	3 10
Newton Church of Erie, Ill.	6 64
Bethany Church of Bethany, Ia.	5 47
First Church of Orange City, Ia.	99 36
Bethany Church of Clara City, Minn.	25 00
First Church of North Yakima, Wash.	10 00
First Church of Applington, Ia.	25 00
Second Church of Pella, Ia.	100 00
Grand View Church of Grand View, S. D.	4 00
Hospers, Ia.	10 00
Inwood, Ia.	7 19
Sanborn, Ia.	7 63
Lennox, S. D.	25 80
Maurice, Ia.	40 71
Ebenezer Church of Leighton, Ia.	15 06
Waupun, Wis.	40 00
Sandham Memorial Church of Monroe, S. D.	12 66
Y. M. C. A. Church of New Kirk, Ia.	22 25
Chancellor, S. D.	11 10
Bethel Church of Leota, Minn.	10 00
Large Catechumens Church of Chicago, Ill.	6 00
Silver Creek Church of German Valley, Ill.	34 27
Sibley German Church of Sibley, Ia.	7 00
Holland, Neb., Church of Holland, Neb.	47 20
Silver Creek Church of Silver Creek, Minn.	16 70
Chas. Mix, First Church of Platte, S. D.	10 56

Bethel Church of Pella, Ia.	11 57
Otley Church of Otley, Ia.	39 10
The German Church of Buffalo Center, Ia.	15 00
Cromwell German Church of Eaverly, Ia.	30 00
Lansing Church of Lansing Ill.	20 00
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	\$1,042 37

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
NORTHWESTERN CLASSICAL ACADEMY AT ORANGE
CITY, IOWA, TO THE GENERAL SYNOD OF THE
REFORMED CHURCH IN AMERICA.

ORANGE CITY, Iowa, April 3, 1917.

Fathers and Brethren :

It is sincere pleasure to us to present to you a report of the work entrusted to us, that thus you may become better acquainted with our work, and your interest in it may be deepened.

To educate the youth calls for consecration on the part of the teacher, devotion to duty on the part of the student, and, to make these effective to the desired end, the wisdom and grace which cometh from above. We do not feel that it is overestimating the value of the produced when we say that the fruit of this year's work is worth the picking. Not only have results that can be measured been achieved, but we are confident that the future will reveal that much good which now lies hidden has been accomplished. For this we are grateful to Him from whom is the wisdom and power; and to Him be the glory.

Certain principles which we deem fundamental are constantly kept in view. They are ideal and yet real. Our course of study differs from that of other schools of similar grade in this community. Our aim is the development and training of the head and heart more than that of the hand. It is our constant effort despite obstacles to maintain a high degree of scholarship, so that our graduates may pursue with profit the most difficult courses offered at higher institutions. Lastly, we pledge ourselves, by the grace of God, to inculcate a knowledge of and reverence for Christianity. Direct and indirect influences are constantly at work in this direction and the results are encouraging.

Our students continue to give a good account of themselves. Of our graduates 17 are at present in Hope College. The graduating class of the Western Theological Seminary has in it 5 Academy graduates, and 3 of these are under appointment to the foreign field.

Of last year's Academy graduating class 3 are at Hope College

and 5 are teaching school. Of last year's undergraduate classes 52 returned in September and 30 new students were enrolled. During the year 8 have for various reasons left, two of whom recently joined the United States navy. The students are distributed in classes as follows:

	Boys.	Girls.
"A" Class	5	7
"B" Class	17	4
"C" Class	9	4
"D" Class	19	9
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Totals	50	24

We could without difficulty and with practically no extra cost harbor more students, if we could only induce them to come here. It is our earnest prayer that we shall be aided in our efforts by pastors and parents.

The natural ability of the students that come to us is on the whole of a high order. The ultimate results obtained would not always presuppose this and for two reasons. The preparatory training of many has been sadly deficient and distracting influences interfere considerably with the full development of latent powers. It is our earnest desire that a larger number will realize and avail themselves of the opportunities before them.

The surplus energy of our boys and girls has expended itself principally in basket ball. For this purpose the town hall has been engaged during the winter. This has in some measure answered an imperative need. We regard athletics as a means to an end, and hence are obliged to lay down some restrictions as to when games are to be played and who may play them. A gymnasium on the campus would solve many problems connected with athletics.

It has been said and with a great deal of truth that 85% of the efficiency of a school lies with the teacher, and we may add that 85% of the efficiency of a teacher lies in the ability to keep order in the classroom. The ability to do this is the first condition for efficient instruction, and the possession of this ability will compensate for the lack of many other desirable qualities. There is scarcely anything at any time more urgent to consider than to secure competent teachers. It is true that this is always done, but if possible our efforts in this respect should be increased. It is difficult to estimate the competency of a new teacher, but when once we have one, everything possible should be done to retain him. We regret that some changes are again to be made in the teaching force this year.

There is nothing new under this head. Our graduates are un-

conditionally admitted to colleges and universities. More than this we can not objectively attain. We must now seek to make the instruction as thorough as possible. Whereas we emphasize the classics we differ from other schools of the same grade in the vicinity, but to attain our ideal and reach our purpose we must and gladly do continue along the lines laid down. For our normal course we are as yet unable to obtain State recognition and principally because we can not secure the required number (10) to pursue this course.

The finances of the institution are quite encouraging. This is true of both the Endowment and the Contingent Funds. Last year we reported that there was an endowment of \$14,425.00, of which all but \$75 was invested. During the year \$10,000.00 in money has been received and invested, making the investments \$24,350.00. We have in addition to this interest bearing promissory notes to the amount of about \$18,000.00, making a total endowment of about \$42,000.00.

The Contingent Fund is also in fairly good condition. Here follows a somewhat itemized account:

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand, April 4, 1916.....	\$107 19
Appropriation, Board of Education R. C. A.....	1,200 00
Miscellaneous gifts	229 60
Borrowed from Endowment Fund	175 00
Borrowed from Bank	250 00
Interest on Endowment	772 47
Fees from Students	1,282 00
Contributions from Churches—	
Particular Synod of Chicago.....	60 13
Classis of Pella	10 00
Classis of Cascades	34 10
Classis of Dakota	329 65
Classis of Iowa	2,686 12
Total	\$7,136 26

DISBURSEMENTS.

Teachers' salaries	\$4,750 00
Janitor's Salary	465 00
Light	36 10
Fuel	246 48
Printing	84 35
To Endowment Fund	27 00
Library	2 11
Reading room	23 45

Repairs and labor	100 79
Postage	9 58
Supplies	215 89
Contest and commencement	18 39
Miscellaneous	89 09
Balance on hand, April 3, 1917.....	1,068 04
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Total	\$7,136 26

After making proper deductions of outstanding loans the balance is \$670.04. This looks good and with what we still expect to receive we anticipate no difficulty to pay our debts by the close of the school year. It will be necessary, however, to continue in this good way if we are to meet our obligations. The Academy will in the course of the next year be assessed some \$1,500.00 to pay its share of paving the street along a part of the campus.

We are particularly grateful to some of the churches, both large and small, which have contributed generously during the year. We regret that some few have been negligent. Our hope and desire is that all the churches will continue to remember this institution freely and generously.

An institution is like a family: always in need of something. That which is worn must be replaced and many new things are desired. It were possible to use to good advantage in buying furniture and apparatus another gift of \$500.00 as we received some three years ago. Someone or more could also receive lasting recognition by building for us a suitable gymnasium.

The following resolutions were adopted:

1. That we express our sincere gratitude to the churches that have so generously contributed to the maintenance of the institution during the past year.

2. That we very cordially acknowledge our appreciation of the good will and interest of all who have contributed to the Endowment Fund.

3. That the pastors and consistories be kindly urged to continue with unabated energy their efforts in behalf of the welfare and progress of this institution with reference to both her financial support and the increase of her student body.

4. Whereas the need of funds is still pressing heavily, we petition Classis of Iowa to recommend the institution to the General Synod, R. C. A., for an appropriation of \$1,200.00.

Respectfully submitted,

BOARD OF TRUSTEES N. W. C. A.,

Per THOS. F. WELMERS,

Principal.

ANNUAL REPORT OF PLEASANT PRAIRIE ACADEMY.

The Board of Directors of P. P. Academy through the Executive Committee herewith presents their annual report.

I. The Faculty.—It consists of four members, same as were reported last year, all members of the Reformed Church in America.

II. Students.—Our enrollment this year, beginning April 1, 1916, and ending March 31, 1917, was forty-five. Of these sixteen were new students who entered last fall. Two of the older students not returning last fall continued their studies in other schools. Four others dropped out late in the fall, three on account of removal and one on account of an accident. Six were graduated last June, three young men and three young ladies. Of the graduates two young men continue their studies in the higher Colleges, preparing for the work of the ministry. Of the young ladies, two are teaching in the public schools. Our present number is thirty-three, twenty-seven of which are males and six females.

The attendance has been good throughout the year, owing to the general good health among students and teachers.

III. State of Religion.—An encouraging forward step was made in the religious work of this school, in so far that more time and pains are taken in the study of the Bible and religious truth. The first hour of the first four days of each week is devoted to that purpose, and, we think, has borne noticeably good fruits. There is more interest shown in Bible study, than heretofore and a consequent better Christian decorum shown. We believe that Bible truth and prayer are the God-ordained means to build up Christian character.

IV. The Finances.—The report of the Treasurer shows the following receipts for the year beginning March 13, 1916, to March 13, 1917:

From Churches, Societies, Sunday Schools and personal gifts	\$2,640 00
From Board of Education	1,200 00
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Total	\$3,840 00
Disbursements	3,819 00
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Balance	\$21 00

V. Needed Improvements.—Effort is being made at the present time of raising funds for a gymnasium. Some \$500 have been secured and the rest is hoped to be secured during the spring and

summer months of this year. There are other needs besides that.

The academy building and the Principal's house need a new roof. We also would appreciate some good lighting system, as we are still using the old-fashioned oil lamp. All this means a hard pull on our part to secure the necessary funds from our people in addition to what they are doing already for the cause.

VI. Application for Aid.—By the aid of the Board of Education we have succeeded to close the year free from debt. But on account of the needs as stated above, we cannot yet walk alone and need the continued favor of General Synod and the Board of Education to enable us to continue the work of the academy.

We therefore respectfully ask General Synod to again recommend us to the Board of Education for aid in the sum of \$1,200.00.

VII. May the Great Head of the Church, our Lord Jesus Christ, guide you in your deliberations and also continue to bless the cause of Christian Education in P. P. Academy to the welfare of His Kingdom and the glory of His name.

Respectfully submitted,

A. F. BEYER,
Principal.

Approved by the Classis of Pleasant Prairie.

W. T. JANSSEN,
President.
GEO. SCHNUCKER,
Stated Clerk.

SIXTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WISCONSIN MEMORIAL ACADEMY'S BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

CEDAR GROVE, Wis., April 10, 1917.

Dear Brethren:

The Board of Trustees of the Wisconsin Memorial Academy herewith submits for your consideration its sixteenth annual report. The past year has been a year of progress and blessing. Last September the Wisconsin Memorial Academy sent the largest number of graduates to Hope College that has ever represented this school at that institution up to the present time. Two of the young men entered the Western Theological Seminary. The past year has proven that our school's influence is growing and that there is an awakening of interest on the part of many in our institution. We are grateful for these encouraging signs. We kindly ask your loyal support and earnest prayers in the school's behalf that this Academy may continue to be an influence for good in our beloved church and the Kingdom.

FACULTY.

Principal Willard P. Vander Laan has continued in charge of the school and has retained the chair of Science and Bible. Miss Minnie De Feyter is in charge of the Department of Mathematics and German. At the close of the year 1915-1916 Prof. Edwin Koeppel, who for two years served the school as instructor of Ancient Languages and History, and Miss Dorothy Trompen, who for a similar period had charge of the Latin-English Department, resigned their positions to continue their studies. These vacancies were filled by Prof. M. E. Flipse and Miss Catherine Hekhuis. The work of this corps of teachers has been very satisfactory.

STUDENTS.

At the close of the year 1915-1916 our student body numbered 41. Ten of that number were lost to us through graduation. Due to the fact that there were practically no eighth grade graduates last June, but five were enrolled in the Freshmen Class. At present there are thirty-four students in attendance.

SPIRIT OF STUDENTS.

Our Principal reports that the spirit of the student body is excellent. Twice during this year the students on their own initiative undertook work for the good of the school; giving (1) a public entertainment in the local village hall, and (2) a reception for parents, which reception was held in the Academy building.

OBJECT OF TEACHING.

Character building is the one great aim of all teaching in our Academy. To obtain this an attempt is made to educate not only "the head" but "the heart" as well. In an unobtrusive way all scholastic work is pervaded by the healthy tone of Holy Writ. Thus our school is working for Christ and the Church.

STANDARD OF SCHOOL.

The Wisconsin Memorial Academy is regularly accredited by the University of Wisconsin. Its courses of instruction also meet the requirements of Hope College. That our graduates are making good is a matter of record. One of Hope's instructors recently stated that the graduates of the Wisconsin Memorial Academy have a broad, unselfish view of life and life's work, and that they are amongst the best trained of those entering Hope.

GENERAL SYNOD.

BUILDINGS.

Last summer both the Academy and the residence were repainted. A new brick cistern was placed in the residence. These repairs were absolutely necessary. The expense has been met in full.

NEW EQUIPMENT.

A new oak library table and a half a dozen chairs have been placed in the school. These were presented by the Class of 1916.

NEEDS.

The two greatest needs of the school are (1) Students; (2) An endowment fund. This school has done much for others' sons and daughters. It will do something for yours if but given a chance.

Proper endowment would put the school on a good financial footing and make the Wisconsin Memorial Academy a more efficient institution. To any one looking with longing to an opportunity to do good, here is one grand opportunity.

FRUITS OF THE ACADEMY.

Thus far thirteen classes have been graduated from the Wisconsin Memorial Academy, a total of 95 young people. Forty-five of these were young men. The following table shows the work in which our Alumni are engaged:

At home	22
Farmers	6
Missionaries	3
Teachers	19
Nurse	1
Medicine	1
Civil Service	2
Students	14
Business	12
Ministry or preparing therefor.....	13
Deceased	2

FINANCES.

The treasurer's books show the following:

Total received	\$4,494 92
Total expended	3,925 99
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Balance on hand	\$568 93

The above balance seems to indicate a fair condition of the treasury but this is hardly the case. The entire sum for which Classis kindly recommended the Academy for aid to the Board of Education has already been received. Unless, therefore, substantial contributions from the churches of Classis are forthcoming from the present time until June, there is every reason to believe that there will be a deficit in the treasury at the close of the school year.

SUPPORT FROM CHURCHES.

Several of the churches are supporting the academy in excellent fashion. Some, however, are not doing what they might and should do. We ask the pastors and consistory members of such churches to again urge upon their members the value of Christian education that our school may be what the church desires it to be.

RESOLUTIONS.

At the last meeting of the Academy's Board of Trustees it was resolved:

1. That Classis be asked to kindly recommend us for aid to the Board of Education in the sum of \$1,500.00.
2. That Classis be asked to approve the reappointment of the following members of the Board: Rev. H. K. Pasma, Oostburg; Rev. B. M. Flikkema, Sheboygan Falls, Rev. J. J. Hollebrands, Waupun; Rev. J. F. Heemstra, Chicago; Mr. A. Fontaine, Cedar Grove.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

The Report of the Committee on Education Academies and Colleges.

Mr. President, Fathers and Brethren:

Your Committee on Education begs to report:

We have received the following communications:

1. The 85th Annual Report of the Board of Education.
2. The Annual Report of the Board of Trustees of the North Western Classical Academy, accompanied by a request from the Classis of Iowa, for aid from the Board for the Academy to the amount of \$1,200.
3. The Annual Report of the Board of Direction of Pleasant Prairie Academy, with a request for aid from the Board in the amount of \$1,200.

4. The 16th Annual Report of the Board of Trustees of the Wisconsin Memorial Academy; accompanied by a recommendation from the Classis of Wisconsin for aid to the Academy in the amount of \$1,500.

5. The 51st Annual Report of the Council of Hope College with two requests for relief from General Synod. (1) For aid from the Board to the amount of \$3,500. (2) For a change in the constitution of Hope College which would give the Council a larger liberty in the investment of Trust Funds.

6. A report from the Board of Trustees of Central College, Iowa.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

The Report of 1917 informs General Synod that 89 men, the same number as in 1916, are being assisted by the Board but the distribution differs somewhat. A year ago, 44 were in our Theological Seminaries and 45 in schools or colleges. This year 39 are in the Seminaries and 50 in colleges or schools.

The Board reports a slight increase in the number of churches contributing, 449 giving to the Board in 1917, as against 443 in 1916; 34 Sunday schools have contributed as against 25, an increase of 9. Only four Young Peoples' Societies have given to the Board, where 11 gave in 1916, a decrease of 7; 18 individuals have contributed, this is an increase of 7. Missionary Societies also appear among the contributors. From these sources \$9,434.73 have been received which is \$927.07 more than was received from these sources a year ago.

Though the Board reported a decrease of \$140 it is pleasant to be able to report an increase of nearly \$1,000.

We note with gratification also, the fact that repayments from former students and by the Board have been unusually large, amounting to \$2,004.

The Board has disbursed to students a total of \$16,236.16 this being about \$530 less than a year ago. \$3,500 was given to Hope College; \$3,500 to Central College, \$3,900 to the three academies, and \$500 to Western Theological Seminary, making a total given to schools, Seminaries and Colleges, \$11,400.

While we are happier this year than last, when two vacancies in the Board through death, were reported to Synod, in being able to report no change in the personnel, yet we would extend our hearty sympathy to Dr. Gebhard in the long and serious illness he has endured which fell upon him in the course of, and perhaps because of, his untiring service to the Board and to the Church. We rejoice in his progress toward recovering and trust that this progress may be rapid and the recovery complete.

THE COUNCIL OF CHURCH BOARDS OF EDUCATION.

The Council reports that more than a score of Church Boards of Education, together with the Association of American Colleges and other organizations, are co-operating to secure a better correlation of educational power and prevent the over-lapping of Institutions in some fields of work, while other fields are neglected. There are many questions and issues under consideration, but the Council has only recently secured the services of a Permanent Secretary, Dr. R. S. Kelly, President of Earlham College, who will take office on September 1st.

Dr. E. W. Thompson, Dr. J. G. Gebhard and Dr. Ame Vennema have been appointed by the Board of Education as a Committee on the General Survey Plan recommended by the Council. However, the machinery has not yet had time to get into action. The Council and the Board report good progress. Your Committee recommends the continuance of this Committee on the General Survey Plan.

The Western District Committee on Education.

The General Synod of 1916 referred to the Board an overture from the Particular Synod of Chicago, a Committee to exercise supervisory and advisory control over our Educational Institutions. This matter was referred to Dr. E. W. Thompson, Dr. J. G. Gebhard and Dr. Ame Vennema, the Committee on the General Survey Plan for the Educational field. This Committee recommend that the appointment of a district committee should await the further investigation, now underway, of the educational field.

With this meeting of General Synod the terms of office of the following members will expire, and their places are to be filled.

Rev. C. D. F. Steinfuhrer,
 " Wm. H. S. Demarest,
 " Albertus T. Broek.
 " Orville E. Fisher.

Mr. Fred'k H. Medway.
 " John F. Berry.
 " Jeremiah H. Van Brunt.
 " J. Wilson Gordon.

DAY OF PRAYER.

We recommend that the last Thursday or the last Sunday of January be observed as a Day of Prayer for Schools, Colleges and Seminaries.

Wisconsin Memorial Academy reports 34 students in attendance, a decrease of 7 from last year, but an increase of one from the attendance of two years ago. Last September, the Academy sent the largest number of students to Hope College that has ever represented the school at that Institution. The Academy has grad-

uated in all, thirteen classes with 95 students. It certainly is a gratifying report, that of the 71 who have left home and entered into the World's active life, 37 have entered into some form of social service, and have become ministers, missionaries, physicians, teachers or nurses.

A resolution from the Classis of Wisconsin recommending aid from the Board of Education to the amount of \$1,500 is hereby endorsed by your Committee.

Pleasant Prairie Academy, reports 45 students enrolled from April 1st, 1916, to March 31st, 1917—33 remain since graduation, but new students entering in the fall may be expected to bring the attendance up to at least the number of last year. The Academy closes the year free from debt but has a real need of certain improvements, the installation of some lighting system that shall remove the inconvenience and the danger of oil lamps among others, and therefore, again requests aid from the Board of Education in the amount of \$1,200. This request, approved by the Classis of Pleasant Prairie, your Committee endorses.

The trustees of the N. W. Classical Academy report an enrollment of 74 students. The graduating class of the Western Theological Seminary has five of the Academy's graduates, 3 of whom are going to the foreign field; 17 of the graduates of the Academy are attending Hope College.

The trustees report the finances in good condition; \$10,000 has been added to the endowment fund which is now about \$42,000. The Contingent Fund has been adequate and the Academy reports a balance of nearly \$700.00 when all expenses are paid. However, the Academy will be assessed \$1,500 for the paving of the street bordering the campus, and the Trustees request aid from the Board in the amount of \$1,200. The Classis of Iowa approve the application, and your Committee endorses it.

Central College sends us a gratifying report. In all branches of the Institution, there are 166 students enrolled, with a faculty of 15 members; 93 per cent. of the students in the college and 92 per cent. of those in the Academy are professing Christians, 11 have declared their intention of entering the ministry.

Financially, the Trustees report a year of struggle. The endowment of \$50,000 subscribed last summer does not bear interest this year. According to the generous custom of the Reformed Church the cost of tuition and fees has been reduced to the minimum, so that the income from this source was only \$3,860; \$1,042 was received from churches and \$3,500 from the Board of Education. Two fiscal Agents have been employed to raise money both for the endowment fund of \$200,000 that must be raised to enable the Col-

lege to meet the requirements of the State Board of Education and for current expenses.

The College has now a productive endowment of \$58,000. Its budget for the year amounts to \$21,000. This has been met so that the Institution closes its year without any current debt. It holds notes and pledges that will fall due in the next four or five years amounting to nearly \$9,000. This represents a total sum of about \$88,000, very nearly all of which has come from the citizens of Pella and the vicinity.

The College has lost by fire its auditorium, valued at \$20,000 but which can hardly be replaced in these days for much less than double that amount. To this must be added the loss of furniture and equipment, although the library occupying one of the rooms of the building, was saved.

The General Synod of 1916, in accepting Central College as a college of the Reformed Church in America, stipulated as a precedent condition, the raising of an endowment of \$200,000. Some progress toward this endowment has been made, but the destruction wrought by the fire and the general financial condition induced by the entrance of our Country into the War, will delay the full realization of the endowment sought.

As the State Board of Education has extended the time until December, 1918, your Committee feel that the indulgence of another year may well be given by the Board.

The Report of the Board of Trustees of Central College makes no definite request for aid from the Board of Education, but your Committee is informed by Mr. Y. T. van Niewaal, a member of the Board of Direction of the College, and by the Rev. C. Kuyper, one of the Trustees, that action is requested for aid from the Board in the amount of \$3,500. This same amount, given last year, was taken by the Board of Directors, subsequent to the meeting of the Particular Synod of Chicago on May 3rd. The Minutes of the Particular Synod of Chicago (page 120) contain the following entry:

"That this Synod endorse the request of Central College for aid. . . . at the discretion of the Board."

Since this session of General Synod convened your Committee is informed by telephone that the Rev. F. Milton Hoffman, a graduate of Hope College, Rhodes Scholar and Professor of Latin at his Alma Mater, has accepted the Presidency of Central College.

One of the items in the Report should be referred to perhaps, namely, the Missionary preparation of the students who have been hitherto of other denominations, but who are now allying themselves with the Reformed Church.

Hope College presents its 51st Annual Report. Extensive

changes have come to the faculty. The College has lost by death, the valuable services of Prof. John H. Kleinheksel who has served the College for 31 years, and has been its Vice President for many years. The vacancy thus occurring in the chair of mathematics, has been filled by the appointment of Prof. John W. Beath. Ass't Prof. D. B. Yntema has resigned after 23 years of faithful and effective service and Prof. Wm. B. Pietenpol, M. S. PH. D., has been chosen to succeed him. The college also sorrowfully reports the death of the Rev. Paul F. Scheulke, Ph.D., curator of the Museum.

The total enrolment of the College is 435—25 students have united with the Church and 11 others have expressed their intention of doing so. Of the total enrollment, nearly 72 per cent. are already members of the church; the Y. M. C. A., has a membership of 145, and the Y. W. C. A., of 98. That Hope College is able to prepare men for the ministry is testified to eloquently, by the fact that the student representative, Mr. Irwin J. Lubbers, won first place in the Michigan Oratorical League Contest, won again at the Interstate Contest at Indianapolis, and others won the right to enter the National Contest at Carlton College, Minn., while she has also defeated Kalamazoo, Olivet and Alma Colleges on the Debating Platform.

As to the finances of the College, over \$56,000 has been added to the endowment, as a Jubilee Fund exceeded the amount hoped for by \$16,000, 200 churches made contributions to this College as against 143 contributing last year.

Two requests come from the Council to General Synod.

(1). For aid from the Board in the amount of \$3,500 the same amount as given last year. This request hereby approved by your Committee.

(2). For a change in Section No. 4 of Paragraph No. 4, of Chap. III, of the Constitution of Hope College. The present reading of the section is as follows:

FOURTH—ENDOWMENTS.

1st. The General Synod shall hold such endowment Funds as have been or shall be given to it in trust.

2nd. The Council shall also hold Endowment funds for the support of the Institution.

3rd. Such funds shall not be invested except in bond and mortgage (on real estate) or in the State and United States Securities, and in no case shall trust funds be diverted.

Section three has already been amended to read as follows:

3rd. “. . . on unincumbered real estate worth double the amount of the loan; in securities of the States of Michigan or

New York or of the United States, and in no case shall trust funds be used for any other purpose than that for which they were given."

The College Council requests that Section No. 3 be amended to read:

3rd. "Such funds shall not be invested except in securities in which savings deposited in the Savings Banks or the Saving Departments of the State Banks of Michigan, may be invested, in accordance with the laws of the State of Michigan."

Your Committee approve of this request with the following conditions appended. "All moneys shall be invested and the income only, not the principle used and applied to such purpose or purposes as may be indicated by the donor. In no case shall trust funds be used for any other purpose than those for which they were given."

It should be said for the information of Synod that your Committee, while having no direct knowledge of the nature of the banking laws of the state of Michigan, and aware that some State Banking Laws are notoriously lax, are assured that the Banking Laws of Michigan are strict, conservative and vigorously enforced. Your Committee would again recommend that each of our churches be strongly urged to give an annual offering to Hope College.

To recapitulate the recommendations of your Committee to General Synod, the Committee recommends:

1. That the following be appointed by General Synod to the Board of Education.

Rev. C. D. F. Steinfuhrer,

Mr. Fred'k J. Medway.

" Wm. H. S. Demarest,

" John E. Berry.

" Albertus T. Broek,

" Jeremiah R. Van Brunt.

" Orville E. Fisher,

" J. Wilson Gordon.

2. That the last Thursday or the last Sunday of January be observed throughout our churches as a Day of Prayer for Schools, Colleges and Seminaries.

3. That the Wisconsin Memorial Academy be recommended to the Board of Education for aid in the amount of \$1,500.

4. That the Pleasant Prairie Academy and North Western Classical Academy be each recommended to the Board for aid in the amount of \$1,200.

5. That Hope College and Central College be each recommended to the Board for aid to the amount of \$3,500.

6. That the request of the Council of Hope College for a change in Section No. 4 of Paragraph No. 3, Chapter III of the Constitution of the College, when amended so as to prevent any diversion of Trust Funds from the specific, declared intent of the donor, be approved by General Synod.

GENERAL SYNOD.

7. That all our churches be strongly urged to give an annual offering to Hope College.

8. That the Committee of the Board of the General Survey Plan and on the Plan of Government, for Central College be continued.

9. Your Committee recommends that General Synod commend the Board of Education to the amount of at least \$15.00.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

SARTELL PRENTICE,
P. MOERDYKE,
F. E. BOLSTER,
E. S. RALSTON,
E. W. PARKER,
Y. T. VAN NIEWAAL,
L. B. CHAMBERLAIN,
JOHN B. NYKERK.

Pending the adoption of the Report Rev. E. W. Thomson, President of the Board, reported progress in the Endowment and also on the working out of the plan for the government of Central College.

Dr. Vennema addressed Synod in behalf of Hope College.

Dr. Gebhard, Secretary of the Board, addressed Synod.

Rev. C. Kuyper and Elder Y. T. van Niewaal spoke concerning Central College.

The Report was adopted.

ARTICLE VII.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

The Permanent Committee on Sunday Schools and Young People's Societies has been discontinued.

References formerly made to this Committee are now made to the Standing Committee on Publication and Bible School Work.

The work formerly performed by this Committee has been taken over by the Board of Publication and Bible School Work.

ARTICLE VIII.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America:
Fathers and Brethren:

To your Committee were referred the following papers:

The 43rd Annual Report of the Women's Board.

The 85th Annual Report of the Board of Foreign Missions.

These two documents, so full of encouragement and inspiration, tell of the struggles and trials, the achievements and triumphs of another year of service on the battle field of the King, both at home and on the far-flung firing lines abroad. There breathes through them a spirit of solemnity, of conscious responsibility of the seriousness of the present world conditions, as they affect the missionary work of the church of Christ, but withal a spirit of hope and confidence and optimism.

At the very outset, however, a note of sadness falls upon our ears. God, who renders no account of His deeds, and who doeth with the armies of heaven and the inhabitants of the earth according to His pleasure, and whose hand none can stay, and to whom none can say, "What doest Thou?" has removed from earthly labors and promoted to higher service the Board's beloved President, the Church's staunch friend, and the bold and faithful advocate of the Lord's commission to His Church, the Rev. John Gerardus Fagg, D. D. Dr. Fagg was a man of broad interests, of lofty ideals, and of pure motives. The "transparent beauty of his character" was recognized by all. Ever unselfish in his services, he won for himself a host of friends who loved him with genuine affection. Elected a member of the Board of Foreign Missions, he served it consecutively for twenty years, and became its President in 1910. He also was the President of the Trustees of the Arabian Mission. It is witnessed of him that during all these years he discharged his duties in this capacity with a great deal of fidelity and deep interest. The thought that we shall henceforth see his face no more, and that our fellowship in a common service of our common Lord has come to a close, gives us pain. To Mrs. Fagg the Synod extends its deep and tender sympathy. May his removal from our midst be the touch of God upon us all who still remain behind, bidding us be faithful unto death, ever assured that, walking "by faith and not by sight," we, too, shall one day look upon the face of Him whom we honor as our Redeemer and Lord.

There comes to the General Synod every year a report of the

Woman's Board, giving a detailed description of its work, as also of its representatives on the foreign field. The report in our hands at the present time is but another evidence of the strength of this organization, and with how much energy and success it prosecutes its work. The Synod rejoices with this Board in the large achievements of the past twelve months. From the fields the laborers send news of faithful efforts and advance, while the work at home has not lagged. The receipts for the current year from all sources reached the splendid sum of \$87,928. Of this amount, \$68,374 were paid into the treasury of Synod's Board for work in China, India and Japan, of which \$7,823 were for items outside the appropriation for regular work. While for the Arabian Mission, it contributed the sum of \$4,320, an amount considerably in excess of last year. Surely to the untiring efforts of these women, Synod owes a debt of gratitude, and we may well rejoice for the presence in our church of such a band of devoted and efficient workers. The tabulated report of their work tells a splendid story to be sure, but it does not tell it all. Devotion to duty and sacrifice for the sake of service cannot thus be measured. Only eternity can reveal these. While we convey to the workers our deep appreciation, we would pray heavenly benediction upon them for the years to come.

In taking into review the 85th Annual Report of Synod's Board of Foreign Missions, we note with pleasure and gratitude many things of far reaching significance; among these may be noted, first, the Board's Deputation to the Mission fields of our church. While their visit was in progress during the previous year the completion of their journey and safe return to America, falls in the year under present review. The members of this Deputation were our Senior Secretary, Rev. Wm. I. Chamberlain, D. D., Rev. Wm. Bancroft Hill, D. D., and their wives. In their journeyings they traveled the enormous distance of approximately 50,000 miles. The purpose this Deputation set before itself, was threefold. First, to carry to each mission a message of the assurance of sympathy from the Boards and from the Reformed Church. Secondly, to study conditions and methods in the missions so as to make the future administrations of the home agencies more sympathetic and effective. And thirdly, to bring back to the Home church such messages as would lead to the better understanding of the conditions on the field and inspire to greater service. The following periods were spent in each of our five missions according to detailed itineraries previously arranged: North Japan 25 days, South Japan 18 days, Amoy 30 days, Arcot 30 days, Arabia 31 days. In only one of the fields did war interfere with the carrying out of their plans. The visit to Arabia had to be made by our Secretary alone. Besides the mission of our own church, the Deputation also visited missions of

other churches, with a "view to affording a wider field of observation and a broader judgment." It is needless to say that this visit is destined to prove of great and lasting value. To our workers on the field, hard pressed and often in painful loneliness, it will be an abiding inspiration.

Through frank and thorough discussions with the missionaries on the field of problems and needs, it will enable the Board to prosecute if possible, yet more efficiently, our great missionary work; while for the Church it will mean an increased acquaintance with all that is being done among the peoples of other lands. It is a cause for profound gratitude that the journey from start to finish was accomplished without extra expense to the Church, and that our beloved representatives were permitted to return to us, having traveled without accident or serious illness.

Note next, the Board's financial situation. The total combined receipts of the Board and the Arabian Mission, for the fiscal year, amounted to \$302,453.02, about \$7,000 less than last year. Among the separate gifts, we note with pleasure an addition of \$1,562.31, to the Scudder Memorial Fund; the sum of \$12,070 received from the Milton Stewart Evangelistic Funds, to meet the expenses of outfit and travel for missionaries about to go to the field, and a new permanent fund of \$15,000, established by a gift from the Consistory of the Madison Ave., Reformed Church of New York City. Deducting from the total receipts legacies, interests and the Madison Ave., Church Fund, we find that the total of all contributions from the living for the present year is \$259,323.52, a gain over the total contributions of the previous year from the same source of nearly \$1,400. And yet there is a deficit in the Board's Treasury of over \$29,000, the largest since the year 1899. How to account for this? We quote from the Board's report—"In contemplation of this deficit, it is important to take into account the fact that war conditions have of necessity, largely increased the cost of carrying on our work. Three specific instances will illustrate this. Ocean freight rates are five times as high as normal, with excessive insurance rates added. All our missionaries must now take the long route by way of the Pacific and pay increased passenger rates. By the altered rate of exchange in China, a dollar of our money, which formerly sold for \$2.40 Chinese money, has brought as low as \$1.60. The increased expense, involved in facts like these, constitute a part of the burden of the world war which has fallen upon our Missionary enterprise. It will not grow less till peace is established." However, this deficit is not as appalling as at first sight it might seem to be. For one, there is now in the Board's Treasury the \$12,070 Milton Stewart Evangelistic Fund, above referred to, immediately available for the expenses of the new year. This

practically reduces the deficit by that amount. Then, too, the Arabian Mission has in its treasury a surplus of over \$5,000, which again practically reduces it by that much more. But aside from this the financial record of the year, in spite of the large deficit, contains many encouraging features. As such should be mentioned the increase in contributions from the churches to the amount of over \$6,000, a slight gain in gifts from Sunday Schools, an increase of \$6,500 in contributions from individuals apart from the churches, from the Woman's Board of about \$7,000, a gain of \$1,000 in available legacies, so that all told, the total collections from all sources were about \$19,000 in excess of last year. And this without any special campaigns or exceptional gifts. We congratulate the Board and the church on this splendid record.

And what has the money accomplished? The record of the work done on the several fields tells the story. Scan with us for a moment this record.

AMOY.

China's new Republic, though both abolished and restored during the past year, is growing more secure than before. There is a strong probability that the new Constitution will grant religious liberty to its people. Christian men are coming to the front along both political and industrial lines. This affords larger opportunities for evangelistic work. Permanence characterizes this mission. It boasts to-day of a strong independent Chinese Church, with its parochial schools of various grades, its Synod and stable Christian communities, its College and Theological Seminary, and hospitals, —a mission for which we may well thank God, and challenging, at the same time, the very best that is in us. Its keynote is evangelism, and therefore, while it pleads for money, its strongest plea is for workers. Here is their program:

Three new men for district boy's schools.

One new man for Talmage College.

Two new men for evangelistic work.

Three new doctors.

One new pharmacist manager for hospital.

Three new trained nurses.

Three new single ladies, one of whom shall have kindergarten training.

ARCOT.

The report from this field sounds a note of optimism. The personnel of the Mission has undergone little change of a permanent character during the year, those made being occasioned by

furloughs in regular course, while it has been greatly strengthened by the addition of six new missionaries, four ladies and two men. The number of Indian workers, too, on the staff is impressive, having reached the 700 mark. We rejoice to note that the educational work of this Mission is assuming constantly larger proportions. All grades and various characters of Institutions are maintained ranging from the Elementary through the Secondary and Collegiate to the Normal and Theological. Considerably over 10,000 students are here receiving christian instruction, creating a working force well nigh incalculable. It should receive more than passing notice that these institutions are of comparatively small expense to the church. Voorhees College may serve as an illustration, for with 46 teachers and 1,000 students, the net expense of this school to the Board is but \$1,500, the large balance being supplied by the school's earnings. In this Mission, too, the predominant note is evangelism. Three campaigns in as many selected places were organized, creating a new spirit in many a heart. The call of this Mission is expressed in these words: "The multitudes are with us waiting; the Master bids us; 'Give ye them to eat.' We seek the lads with the loaves and fishes, but they are with the Church at home. Will the church not send them quickly? For unless help comes soon, the multitudes will depart, and this day of opportunity will be lost."

JAPAN.

The outstanding features of the work in this field is the union of the two Missions, consummated at a joint meeting in January, 1917. It is expected, and justly so, that this union will result in higher efficiency for service. In the North Japan Mission, the oldest Missionary in the Kingdom, Dr. James H. Ballagh, has completed his 55th year of service, and at the age of 84 years, is still active and indefatigable. The momentum of the three years' evangelistic campaign carried on in this field, will be felt in the years to come. Both Ferris Seminary and Meiji Gakuin report prosperous years. Like successes were scored in the South Japan Mission. During the year the church received its largest accessions by membership in the history of the Mission. The addition of the Rev. and Mrs. Van Bronkhorst to the working personnel raises it to the highest number. Too much cannot be said in favor of the work carried on by the Rev. Albertus Pieters, in his newspaper evangelism. His example is being followed by Missions of Churches other than our own with growing success. There are needs, crying needs, in these fields, both of men and equipment, but, all told, the past has been a year of signal blessings.

ARABIA.

Bordering on the battling nations, Arabia, more than any other of our fields, has felt the impact of the great war. It is a matter of relief, however, to know that at the present time none of the stations report the war as a factor in the approachability of the people, though it has greatly reduced the number of native helpers, owing to the stoppage of supplies from central and eastern Turkey, and their greatly increased cost. On the other hand, the Mission anticipates happy results from this war. It is hoped and devoutly to be wished that the whole Mesopotamian Valley, as far north as Bagdad, shall come under the domination of a Christian Government, and that by the withdrawal from Arabia of intolerant Turkish authority, and the probable treaty engagements between the inland tribes and the Government of India, the whole of the neglected peninsula shall be opened to the Gospel of Jesus Christ. This was the hope and the ideal of the founders, and it looks as though it might be realized. Compelled to labor with reduced forces, caused by necessary furloughs, and hampered by war infringements, the work of the year nevertheless was carried on with great vigor and calls for devout gratitude to God. Would you know the caliber of the men and women in that far-away and so long neglected country, listen to their appeal, "We feel our own insufficiency and need for divine help through prayer, our own and the intercessory prayer of believers. We would not in any way make light of our needs for reinforcements, but all our needs for men and women and money and equipment pale before our need of Him who alone is able to bring in the Kingdom in Arabia."

Brethren, that is what our money, backed by the prayer and consecration of God's people, has accomplished under the blessing of God. Is there one here cherishing the wish that it might have been invested otherwise? Is not this your wish, rather, that the amount might have been twice as great, and that the Church's investment in the coming year and years may be greatly increased, believing that this is the fruit the Master would have us bring forth, and that bread, thus cast upon the water, shall be found after many days?

Manifestly this report would do great injustice to the cause of Christ under consideration were we to pass by unnoticed the unreserved offer of life-service from some of our best young men and women of our institutions in Holland, Mich. No less than seven of the eleven seniors of the Western Seminary have made formal application for appointment as missionaries of our Church in Asia, and five of the seniors of Hope College have placed at the disposal of the Board their services for short-term educational work. Such

offers of life are impressive. "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends."

The Board was thus enabled to commission sixteen new missionaries to represent us in the foreign field. And yet with the new addition, the present number of our missionaries in service, will only equal the total number of those in service five years ago, so great has been the loss from death and illness during recent years. It has been already referred to that a special gift of over \$12,000 provides for the expenses of outfit and travel allowances of these new appointees to their respective fields.

And now, in conclusion, you will allow your Committee to give expression to some of the convictions which were irresistibly borne in upon it, as it took into review the work of the past year. Among these are:

First. That the work accomplished could not have been brought about without the untiring efforts of the officers of the Board, and in particular of the Secretaries, both the Western District Secretary, the Rev. Wm. J. Van Kersen and the Secretaries of the home office. Without their wise and inspiring leadership we would have floundered about very much like a rudderless ship at sea. Each in his own department, they have rendered their services well.

Second. That God's work in the world is triumphant. He means to carry out his plans, and He does carry them out in spite of upheavals and the decrees of kings. "Yet have I set my king upon my holy hill of Zion." "Ask of me and I will give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession." He has promised this inheritance to his Son, and He will give it. This is His plan. He has no other. Upon it He stakes the coming of that "far-off divine event, to which the whole creation moves." And He will carry it out. And it is triumphant. Let us believe it. God will not be mocked by the powers of darkness. Christ shall be King, and has a right to be. And His truth is marching on.

Third. A new triumphant vision of the great task of the church. It has pleased God to redeem the world through the agency of men. Meanwhile, the "whole creation groaneth, and travaileth in pain," and God is calling upon his blood-bought children to redeem it. No mean task! How can the church do it? How can *we* do it? Only by a full surrender of our lives and every part of our lives to our great Lord. "When Garibaldi, in the Piazza of St. Peter's, announced to those who had volunteered to march with him from Rome, 'I offer neither pay nor quarters, nor provision; I offer hunger, thirst, forced marches, battles and deaths; let him who loves his country in his heart and not with his lips only follow me,'" he spoke the language of all great leaders of men not only,

but in essence, the language of the Supreme Leader of us all. His demand, too, is, "Follow me." "He who forsaketh not all that he hath, cannot be my disciple." There is a great conviction in our souls that only thus will the Church be able to give herself worthily to the great task of redeeming men. For when our eyes have been opened to see who He is who bids us follow Him, and what is the task He sets before us, that there instinctively springs up in our souls the desire to be found worthy. And may it not be that the tears and agonies and Gethsemanies of the present world are the voice of God calling us to our task, yea more, that God in this way is purifying His church in order that as His witness, her testimony may be more penetrating, and her onslaught more irresistible? Thus out of this calamity there may still be born a real pentecost.

And yet again, that in view of the present world conditions there is need of much prayer. Prayer for those who have had to witness the destruction, by the ruthless hand of war, of that which the consecration and efforts of years had built up. Prayer that it may please God to permit all whose hearts are in this work, and who are now battling for Him in our mission fields in Asia, to continue their services to humanity in the places they are now filling. And prayer that in this hour of national crisis there may be given to our leaders such wisdom as they may need in order to direct this work of our church so that it shall become productive of the greatest amount of good.

Finally, we submit for your consideration the following recommendations, some of which are in the Board's own writing:

1. That we express our heartfelt gratitude to God for his signal blessing upon the work.

2. That we express our deep appreciation of the labors of the officers of both Synod's and the Women's Board, for their efficient administration, and that we pledge them our support, both financially and otherwise, and especially by bearing them on the wings of prayer before the throne of grace.

3. That we earnestly commend our missionary periodicals to all our churches as indispensable means of developing a growing interest in Missions among the families of our churches.

4. That in view of the satisfactory experience we renew the recommendation that the last Sunday in February be designated as the day for the special consideration of Foreign Missions in all our churches.

5. That we continue our strong recommendation of the Every Member Canvass and the Duplex System, now in successful use in over 125 of our churches, as the best method for enlisting the

financial assistance of the entire constituency of our churches in the support of the local church and the denominational agencies.

6. That as a concrete expression of our resolve we as a Board and as a church, definitely and purposefully undertake to reach the financial goal of \$325,000, fixed by recommendation of General Synod three years ago, and the two succeeding years, as our obtainable objective for the coming year.

7. That, in the midst of the turmoil of the present day and the challenge of many of the ideals of our national and religious life, we once more declare our unfaltering devotion to the fundamental and enduring things; that we stress the unselfish and spiritual elements in life's activities; and realizing that in the history of the nations and of the church, periods of political disturbance and economic distress have given birth to great spiritual enterprises, we solemnly resolve to abate nothing of our stewardship in the full maintenance of the spiritual life of our country, and especially in the contact of that life with those parts of the spiritually needy world, in which our church is represented by its faithful ambassadors. Thus shall we and must we do our part in these challenging times, to keep alive our own souls and the souls of our people.

8. That since a vacancy has occurred in the membership of the Board, by the death of the Rev. John Gerardus Fagg, D. D., Rev. Malcolm J. MacLeod, D. D., be elected to fill the unexpired term.

9. That we renominate the members of the Board whose terms of office expire with this session of Synod, namely:

Rev. W. H. S. Demarest,

" Lewis Francis,

" Mathew Kolyn.

" T. H. MacKenzie,

Rev. J. P. Searle,

" E. G. Read,

" C. H. Stewart,

Mr. William L. Brower,

Mr. Cornelius Dosker.

10. That the program for the public meeting this evening be as proposed by the Committee on Arrangements.

11. That pending the adoption of this Report the Secretaries of the Board be heard.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN HOFFMAN,

A. W. DEJONGE,

JOSEPH R. SIZOO,

U. G. WARREN,

J. A. DYKSTRA,

P. HENRY DEPREE,

J. M. KYLE,

WM. PERRY WATSON.

Pending the adoption of the Report the Rev. W. J. Van Kersen, Western District Secretary, and the Rev. Wm. I. Chamberlain, Foreign Secretary of the Board, addressed the Synod.

The Report was adopted.

ARTICLE IX.

DOMESTIC MISSIONS AND THE CHURCH BUILDING FUND.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

Fathers and Brethren:

The 85th annual report of the Board of Domestic Missions, and the 34th Annual Report of the Women's Board of Domestic Missions have been referred to your Committee.

We desire at the beginning of our Report to affirm our recognition of the Father's blessing upon the Boards and our congratulations to them for the evidences of their continuing growth, in ability to accept the challenge of a great task and to perform a worthy service for the King and His Kingdom, in our country.

The ideals of His Kingdom and of our relation to it, as a church, stand out on every page of the history of the past year.

As the church shall seek to take her enlarging place and use her enlarging power, as revealed in the succeeding years of her missionary history, she shall devote herself in love and sacrifice and service to entering into the thought and purpose of the Christ for a conquest of our own land for Him.

We learn from the reports that the year has been one of unusual activity and gifts. To quote: "The financial resources have been larger than those of any previous year in the history of Domestic Missions in the Reformed Church." Facing the conditions occasioned by the great war, there is the great question as to what may be the effect upon our church. "The **Evangelization** of America looms larger, as the task of the Church, than ever before."

The Summary of the work of the Board of Domestic Missions shows us that along the lines of church extension and church sustentation, eleven new missions have been established, nine churches organized and fifteen mission churches have assumed self-support, 261 missions and churches have been aided by the Board. In these churches and missions there are 11,408 families; 18,381 communicants and 23,335 scholars in Bible schools. They have raised

\$251,898.00 for congregational purposes, \$32,401.00 for missions and benevolences and \$7,706.00 for miscellaneous purposes. The total receipts for the work of Domestic Missions, were \$245,917.19, an increase of \$27,733.37 over the receipts of last year. Of the total amount the Women's Board contributed \$97,158.46. Surely these statistics are eloquent with the spirit of devotion and endeavor on the part of the Boards and of the vision and loyalty of the church of our love.

Legacies and permanent funds continue to provide the means to help carry on the work. Two facts of striking importance are, first, the legacies coming from the western section of the church, so loyal in its devotion through the years of struggle, so confident in this age, which is in need of a great faith; second, the matter of unusual occurrence was the legacy from the Madison Ave., Reformed Church of New York, the details of which you will find in the Board's report.

The Joint Committee of the Board of Domestic Missions and the Women's Board of Domestic Missions, after two years' trial is found to be a most excellent plan for co-operative work between the Boards.

Three principles to govern their future action have been adopted and are as follows:

1. A United Budget to list the needs of the work of both Boards.
2. A joint appeal to the Churches and their organizations for all needs listed in the Budget.
3. A joint responsibility for the maintenance of all the work of Domestic Missions.

Following this plan for a joint appeal the estimate of the financial needs of the work of Domestic Missions for the new fiscal year ending April 30, 1918, is herewith given:

Church sustentation	\$80,000
Church extension	30,000
Special for new work on Pacific Coast.....	5,000
Church Building Fund	45,000
Indian Missions	32,000
Special for school buildings at Winabago	5,000
Women's Board General Fund.....	30,700
Kentucky Mountain Mission	30,000
Immigrant work	18,000
Student Missionaries	6,000
Negro Work	2,500
Total	<hr/> \$284,200

This total is \$16,500 more than the Budget of last year. If a growing work is to be met with growing strength, then the church can and must accept this task.

With the excellent report of the Board in the hands of the Synod, your Committee does not deem it necessary to dwell at length upon items of detail in this report. Church sustentation lays the largest challenge upon the faith and ability of the church.

Classical Missionaries have a vital relation to the work of the Board in ministering to weakening churches and nourishing the new churches. Here too, a growing need makes its demand for an increasing force.

East and west the call is imperative for an adequate equipment in men, methods and means. The passing of the down town church in the cities, and the establishing of new churches in favorable communities calls for consolidation (and sometimes inter-denominational consolidation) to give protestantism a name that it shall live amid a foreign people; or calls multiplication of organizations to make the church an effective agency amid the growing populace of an expanding community.

Especial note should be given to the foreigner within our gates. The Italian and Hungarian are possible men in the interests of our church and Kingdom, and Ellis Island is the gateway to many a soul to a new land. Blessed be our Church in her welcome to him to our shores, and her God-speed to him as he goes out into this broad land to find himself and help make our country. May he help make it Christian!

Student Missionaries are doing their splendid part from East to the farthest West, in the great propaganda of the Gospel, and in the doing of their tasks are learning lessons of a practical kind, which will make them more effective when they go forth to their permanent tasks of life. Should not there be an increase in the work of this sort by an extension of the Home Missionary Ideals, through young men in the churches?

Particularly interesting is the new relationship which has been established between the United States and the Danish West Indies. Now the American flag floats over the Church of the City of St. Thomas. May this be a prophecy of the larger work which may yet be done in these Islands of the sea which are "still waiting for his law."

As an advanced step in the Missionary Education Department the four Boards of Missions are preparing a course of study for use in the primary grades, and in the junior and intermediate classes, and a book on Foreign Missions and one on Domestic Missions for use in the Senior and Adult Classes. This plan will undoubtedly

be of great value in increasing the knowledge of Missions and will intensify an interest in giving and doing for the sake of the work.

The maintenance of membership of the Board in the Home Missions Council is of great practical value in conserving the church life in communities, and preventing the multiplication of the churches, to the weakening of the religious life therein.

Your attention is called to the splendid work by the Western District Committee, comprising five members of the Board, residing within the bounds of the Synod of Chicago. Would it not be well worth while to carry this plan into larger service in the interests of the work?

The Women's Board challenges the attention of the Synod and the church by the motto on the cover of its report,—“America for Christ” inscribed above the flag. May our loyalty to the flag hasten the day of America's Redemption.

This Board has written into the record of the year a great spirit of prayer and loyalty, and love and service for our church, our country and our Christ.

The Report sets forth in detail the hopes and achievements of its members, the consecration and efficiency of the workers in the field who are worthy to have their names written high in the records of life. They have prayed and planned and accomplished that the lives of men and women might be enlarged and inspired and empowered for the common welfare and the glory of God.

Back of all this record of work has stood the church with a broadening vision, a deepening consecration and a growing appreciation of the greatness of the task and a strengthening purpose to meet the responsibility. Among the peoples of the mountains in the southland, and the Indians of the western land, and the foreigner within our city gates, this company of women has ministered in the name of the Great Head of the Church and for our denomination. We praise them for what they have done. We pledge them our loyalty. We bid them Godspeed for the new year and are confident that when the record of this year shall be written, not least among the forces for righteousness and peace and constructiveness, will be the Women's Board of Domestic Missions.

Your Committee would offer the following recommendations.

1. That acknowledgment be made to the God of all Grace, for His blessing upon the work of the Boards during the past year.

2. That, Synod herewith, record its recognition and appreciation of the work of the officers and members of the Board of Domestic Missions and the Women's Board of Domestic Missions.

3. That, hearty commendation be accorded to the members of the Boards for their presentation of the work, as given in the Reports at hand.

4. That, the members of the Synod and the Officers of the whole church be urgently requested to make a thorough study of the reports.

5. That, the Synod approve the Joint Budget for the ensuing year, viz.—\$284,200.00.

6. That, in view of the unprecedented challenge to the church in this time of great unrest and warfare, and of the coming reconstructive period, the church be summoned to give herself and substance, with a worthy Christian patriotism.

7. That, in view of the appeal of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, for co-operation by our church in the work of social service, the Board of Domestic Missions be authorized to promote such co-operation in such manner as may prove practicable.

8. That, the interest of the Classes in the Board be cultivated through the Classical Agents.

9. That, Synod expresses herewith its approval of the enlarged plan in the interests of Missionary Education and requests our Board to continue to co-operate with the other Boards.

10. That, the last Sunday in November be designated as Domestic Missions Day, and the Churches urged to observe it.

11. That, the following named persons be nominated as members of the Board of Domestic Missions for the full term of three years.

Rev. David J. Burrell,

“ James S. Kittell,

“ Frederick Lubbers,

“ Edgar Tilton, Jr.,

Rev. Irving H. Berg,

“ John A. Ingham,

Mr. Geo. W. Dunn,

“ John N. Trompen,

Mr. Emker Jelleme,

and for the term of two years: Mr. George Tiffany.

12. That, at the public meeting this eve in the interest of Domestic Missions, the President of Synod preside, that prayer be offered by the Rev. C. Heines and the address be by Rev. Irving H. Berg.

Synod's program provides that Dr. Farrar, Rev. S. Van Werf and Mr. W. T. Demarest shall be heard before action on the Report.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

FERDINAND S. WILSON,

JOHN W. BEARDSLEE,

M. E. BROEKSTRA,

R. ANDERSON WATSON,

PETER H. MILLIKEN,

WILBERFORCE VAN SLYKE,

GEORGE TIFFANY,

S. A. WUBBENA.

Pending the adoption of the report, Rev. Seth Vander Werf, Field Secretary, Mr. W. T. Demarest, Office Secretary of the Board, and Rev. C. Heines, Missionary Pastor of the Classis of Cascades, addressed the Synod.

The Report was adopted.

ARTICLE X.

PUBLICATION AND BIBLE SCHOOL WORK.

The Committee on the Board of Publication and Bible School Work presented their Report:

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America:

Your Committee on Publication and Bible School Work, respectfully reports as follows:

There have been referred to us for consideration:

1. The 63rd Annual Report of the Board of Publication and Bible School Work of the Reformed Church in America.

2. An overture from the Board of Directors of the Christian Intelligencer Publication Co., requesting that General Synod give their consent to the Board of Publication and Bible School Work, for permission to assume the publication and direction of the Christian Intelligencer, as the proposed plan seems to afford the only possible way in which the continued publication of the Christian Intelligencer as a representative paper of the Reformed Church can be assured.

3. An overture to General Synod from the South Classis of Long Island, asking "in the event of the Board of Publication taking over the Christian Intelligencer, that the Intelligencer and Mission Field be combined in one Denominational paper."

4. An overture from the North Classis of Long Island, to the intent that "in event of General Synod taking over the publication of the Christian Intelligencer, to take into consideration the advisability of consolidating therewith, 'The Mission Field,' and other official publications of the church."

5. The report of the Committee on English services at The Hague.

In examining the Annual Report the Committee desires to congratulate the Board of Publication and Bible School Work on the admirable and comprehensive statement of its work so effectively done along all lines of its enlarged and ever increasing lines of work.

We would call Synod's special attention to the three notable events summarized in the Report of the Corresponding Secretary: (1). The death of our faithful Business Agent, Mr. Louis E. Turk, after a long and highly valuable service of 17 years, and whose genial presence is sadly missed from this meeting of Synod. (2). The progress of the Department of Religious Education under the leadership of Rev. Theo. F. Bayless. (3). The proposal of the Christian Intelligencer Association that that Board assume the publication of business management of this time-honored church paper.

Attention is directed to the work of the Committee on Evangelism, which has sought to encourage plans and supervise evangelistic activities among the Classes of the whole church. The practical and workable program of this Committee is recorded in the Board's report and is most worthy of emphasis.

Attention is also invited to the increase in the sales reported by the Business Agent, showing a total business of \$49,349.88 with a gain of \$2,064.57, about 4½ per cent. It is a noticeable fact that while the book business shows a marked decrease, there is a gain in sales of periodicals, which more than off-sets this loss.

The Report of the Educational Secretary merits the close attention of members of Synod. His important work has gone beyond the experimental stage, as an examination of his report for the year will quickly reveal. An important new feature should not be overlooked, namely, that representation of our Reformed Church on the International Lesson Committee, is given by the membership in that body of your Educational Secretary. The work of this Department is commended to the special attention of the members of General Synod and we congratulate our Secretary upon his splendid achievements as he completes the first year of actual service in this new department.

The report of the Joint Committee of the Missionary Education Department, showing the development of a Department of Young People's Work, formerly under the supervision of Mr. Harry A. Kinports and now assumed by our Board should not escape the attention of the members of Synod. The proposed new monthly course of graded missionary lessons are most commendable. This course has been most carefully and wisely thought out and offers a new opportunity for Missionary Education among our young people.

We note with pleasure that the Board co-operates with the several Publishing Boards of the Council of the Reformed Churches in America holding the Presbyterian System.

We rejoice in and encourage the increasing co-operation with the Publication and Sunday School Board of our sister Reformed Church.

The Overtures from the Classes of North and South Long Isl-

and, asking that in the event of the Board taking over the publication of the *Intelligencer*, the Mission Field, and other official publications be consolidated, do not at this time receive the approval of the Committee and are not recommended.

Concerning the overtures of the Board of Directors of the *Intelligencer Publishing Company*, the Committee reports that conference was held with the representatives of the *Intelligencer Company* and the Board, with the result that it is the unanimous opinion of the Committee, that General Synod should grant the request of the *Intelligencer Publishing Company*, and offers as its recommendation, the following minute and resolutions as prepared by the Board's special committee:

I. General Synod has learned with sincere regret that, because of the impaired health of two editors, and increasing costs of publication, the Christian *Intelligencer Association* finds it impossible to continue the publication of our Church paper after July 1st, 1917, and believes that in the face of the present business conditions, the *Intelligencer* can no longer continue to exist as an individual enterprise.

We recognize the debt of gratitude due to those good and faithful servants of the Reformed Church in America, who, under God, have been enabled to publish for more than four score years, a paper of such character and usefulness as to be a blessing in thousands of homes and tens of thousands of hearts.

The Christian *Intelligencer* has been proclaiming for all these years the unsearchable riches of Christ, interpreting the spirit and genius of our denomination, and inspiring pastors, officers and people to be and to do their best for the Kingdom of God.

Its influence for good cannot be measured and we bow before the Great Head of the Church as we record this potent and beautiful service, rendered with such marked devotion and in such a self-sacrificing spirit.

II. General Synod believes that a representative church paper is so essential to the life and progress of our denomination, that it would be a real calamity to allow the Christian *Intelligencer* to suspend publication or to be lost to the denomination.

The work so well done in the past should be sustained and increase in power and efficiency.

The experience of other denominations justifies the statement that a church paper is more likely to succeed if published officially under the care and direction of a Board of the General Synod than if under the control of a private corporation, no matter how devoted to the best interests of the church the latter may be.

The greatness of the task and the material difficulties alike challenge the Church to assume this high and holy obligation as a

great venture of faith, counting with confidence on the guidance and blessing of God and the co-operation of all our pastors and people.

III. General Synod therefore, authorizes and instructs its "Board of Publication and Bible School Work" to accept the offer of the Christian Intelligencer Association, viz.:

A. To take over the right, title and interest of the Christian Intelligencer on July 1, 1917, with its subscription lists, advertising contracts, good will, etc., and to assume full control of the management and publication of said paper from that date.

B. To assume the indebtedness of the \$4,500, note to the Drury Estate, according to the offer made, that is to pay the sum of \$400 per annum instead of interest, for a period of nine years (total \$3,600); said payments to begin July 1, 1918.

IV. General Synod expresses its enthusiastic approval of the Board's selection of Dr. William P. Bruce, to be the editor-in-chief of the Christian Intelligencer, and unqualifiedly commends him and his associates to the confidence and support of the Church, so that by the fullest loyalty and co-operation the number of subscribers and advertisers be greatly increased and the paper placed as rapidly as possible upon a self-supporting basis.

V. General Synod (recognizing that the Church paper is the medium through which our denominational, missionary, educational and benevolent work is constantly stimulated, our united effort fostered, and that harmonious and aggressive spirit secured, which is so essential to the welfare of our church; therefore, it enjoins the Boards, Institutions and Agencies of the Church and, through the Classes, all pastors and people, to rally to the moral and financial support of the Christian Intelligencer.

The first years of the undertaking will be critical and this support most urgently needed, and General Synod therefore recommends to the Boards and Educational Institutions, the sharing of the burden by making such an annual generous donation to the Board of Publication as may be warranted, to be applied solely to expense incident to the publication of the Church paper and in return for space allotted to such Board or Institution.

VI. General Synod further suggests to the men and women who love the Reformed Church in America, that by gifts and by legacies to the Board of Publication and Bible School Work, they create an endowment fund, which in course of time may become sufficiently large to guarantee the continuance of the paper and the maintenance of its high character and usefulness.

VII. General Synod expresses the hope that some amicable arrangement may be made in the near future to combine the Christian Intelligencer and The Leader, and thus concentrate our efforts in

the support of one official and comprehensive organ which shall serve all the interests of the denomination and tend to unify all our life and work.

We further recommend:

1. That in view of the enlarging work of our Board, the Synod ask the church to contribute \$20,000 as the minimum amount adequate for the work of the Board in the Departments of Education, Evangelism and Publication, including the Intelligencer.

2. That the Consistories of all of our Churches in apportioning the budget of benevolences for the coming year be enjoined to give this Board five percent. of the benevolences contributed to denominational objects. In the report of the Board, 10 cents on each dollar of the Church's benevolence is asked. The Committee feels that the five cents recommended by Synod last year will be a fairer working basis.

3. That all of our Churches be advised and urged to use to the fullest extent the facilities of our Board for supplying churches Bible Schools and Young People's Societies, for the maintenance of their various lines of work, and that before ordering supplies elsewhere, our churches communicate with our Business Department.

4. That Synod urge upon all our Churches the importance of making annually a contribution to the Board of Publication and Bible School Work, enabling it to carry on its work of assisting needy churches calling for aid in the matter of hymnbooks, psalters and literature of all kinds.

As relating to the Work of the Department of Religious Education, we recommend:

1. That Synod urge upon our Bible Schools the attainment of a seventy-five percent. average attendance.

2. That the goal of "More of our pupils won for Jesus Christ," be the subject of work and prayer throughout the year.

3. That our "Bible Schools" be urged to adopt and introduce for missionary instruction, the definite graded course of lessons in preparation by the Joint Committee of the Education Department.

That the following persons be nominated to serve as members of the Board for a term of three years:

Rev. Martin Flipse,
 " John A. Van Neste,
 " J. Collings Caton,
 " Paul S. Leinbach,

Mr. Geo. C. Morgan,
 " David Master,
 " Henry Van Ark,
 " J. Van Liew Wyckoff,
 " Harry A. Kinports.

That Rev. Lucas Boeve be nominated to fill the term of Rev.

Wm. J. MacDonald, and that Rev. Joseph R. Sizoo be nominated to fill the term of Rev. Roy E. Vale.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD DAWSON,
F. W. CUTLER,
WM. W. SCHOMP,
R. BLOEMENDAL,
WM. VAN ORDEN,
ISAAC LOUIS,
CHARLES LOUNSBURY.

Pending the adoption of this report, Rev. I. W. Gowan, Corresponding Secretary of Board, Rev. T. F. Bayles, Educational Secretary and Rev. P. S. Leinbach, and Rev. A. DeWitt Mason, representing the Christian Intelligencer, were heard.

The Report was adopted.

The following Resolution of Appreciation of Work done by the Retiring Staff of the Christian Intelligencer was presented by Rev. Edward Dawson, Chairman of Committee on Publication and B. S. W.

Be it resolved, That in view of the long and loyal service of the retiring staff of the Christian Intelligencer General Synod records its sincere appreciation of the efficient and worthy labors in the interests of our beloved church of Mr. John Halm, business manager and agent for 50 years, and on the editorial staff of Rev. W. H. Van Arsdale, D. D., for 35 years. Rev. A. DeWitt Mason, D. D., for 10 years, of Rev. Simon Blocker for 7 years. Men whose consecration and devotion have given to the church a paper which during the years of their connection with it has constantly stimulated and fostered our denominational life and been an indispensable medium ministering to the highest welfare of the Reformed Church and the advancement of the Kingdom of our Lord.

The Resolution was adopted and the new editor, Dr. Bruce, was introduced by Dr. Mason, and addressed the Synod.

The following resolutions were presented and adopted:

Resolved, That this Synod cordially commends the "De Hope," now in its fifty-first year, to the Holland Constituency of our Denomination, as an appreciated and effective agency in furthering the educational and missionary efforts of our church.

Resolved, That "The Leader," now in its tenth year, published by the Council of Hope College, in the interests of the Reformed Church in America, be also commended to the families of our Church, in the hope that it may in the future unite its efforts with those of "The Christian Intelligencer" in building up a first-class denominational organ for the entire church.

Report of the Permanent Committee on English Preaching at the Hague:

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America:
Gentlemen:

The Committee on English Preaching at the Hague would respectfully report that inasmuch as there has been no essential change in the condition of public affairs in Europe, no effort has been made during the past year toward resuming the English services at the Hague, under the care of this Committee; but it is hoped that when conditions warrant such resumption of these services, arrangements may be made to re-establish a form of activity that has proven so fruitful of good in past years.

Respectfully submitted,

A. DEW. MASON, *Chairman*.

ARTICLE XI.

WIDOW'S FUND.

THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE WIDOWS' FUND.

To your Committee on the Widows' Fund, was referred the Annual Report of the Treasurer of this Fund. From this report compared with that of last year, it appears that there is a slight increase in the total amount of contributions over those of the previous year. The amount of the contributions however, covers only two-thirds of the amount paid to beneficiaries. It is to be deplored

that there is so much ignorance in regard to the Widows' Fund. Not only on the part of the lay members but also on the part of many ministers. The Widows' Fund is a necessary fund. It supports many widows and disabled ministers who otherwise would hardly have any source of an income. The sum is paltry enough, only \$180 per year. And especially in these days of the high cost of living, it does not meet the need of many indigent ministers and widows. But still, small as it is, it is in many instances a Godsend to many a poor servant of God. All this goes to show that the Fund should be more efficient and that it can become so only when there is more hearty and intelligent co-operation on the part of the pastors. We first of all must become acquainted with it, and then in turn, sympathetically impart this information to our congregations.

Brethren, a solemn duty rests upon our shoulders toward the poor but worthy servants of God, among whom we may ourselves soon be found.

There are doubtless Churches that cannot pay the annual premiums of their pastors. But they should take an annual offering for this Fund even though it be a small one. And many more churches might pay the premiums of their pastor and would, if they only were enlightened upon the subject.

The following resolutions are offered to Synod on the subject.

1. In grateful acknowledgment of the faithful and efficient service of Dr. Denis Wortman, as the Agent of General Synod for this Fund, we recommend to the Synod that he be continued as Synod's Agents to procure generous contributions for this Fund.

2. That Synod heartily commend this Fund to every church and minister.

3. We further recommend to the generosity of every prosperous church, that it assume the payment of the premium of its own pastor.

4. We also recommend to the generosity of the more prosperous individuals that they assume the payment of the premium of some missionary pastor.

5. And finally that the Stated Clerk of every Classis hereafter, notify the Consistory of any church about to extend a call to a new pastor to send to the same a copy of Synod's action of 1903 (see page 385 of Minutes of 1903), which is as follows:

"The General Synod requests the Consistories of every church to raise and pay to the Treasurer of the Board of Direction for their present pastor a sum sufficient to place and keep his name on the Widows' Fund, and when making out a call to a new pastor, to insert as a part of the business contract the pledge of such an

amount per annum as will place and keep his name on the Widows' Fund, or in case his name is there, to pay his annual dues."

Respectfully submitted,

REVS. J. STEUNENBERG,
WILBUR F. STOWE,
C. W. ROEDER,
ELDERS WM. PALTZER,
LUTHER FRISBEE,
JACOB SCHERENS.

The Report was adopted:

ARTICLE XII.

DISABLED MINISTERS' FUND.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON DISABLED MINISTERS' FUND.

Fathers and Brethren:—

There have been placed in the hands of the Committee the—

1. Report of the Board of Direction of the receipts and expenditures of this Fund for the year closing April 30th, 1917.

2. The Report of the Committee on Disabled Ministers' Fund of the Synod of 1916.

It is a pleasure for us to note the material enlargement of the resources of the Fund during the year reported due to an increase in the collection from the churches, of \$1,222.60, and personal contributions amounting to \$1,615.54.

We have heard from the Treasurer of the Fund that all applicants entitled to aid have been paid the amounts due them. We are impressed with the fact that \$200 is painfully inadequate in these times to provide for the proper support of those who have no other visible means.

Your Committee met with the Committee on Widows' Fund, in joint session to consider the overture to the General Synod in reference to the raising of a pension fund of a million dollars or more, and whilst it heartily commends in the findings of the Joint Session, it would add the further word that it hopes the time will not be far distant when the somewhat opprobrious name—Disabled Ministers'—may be lost in the larger and more euphonious name—Fund for Ministerial Relief—which we trust will soon be organized and working to more adequately provide for those of our splendid ranks, and

those dependent upon them, who can no longer take an active part in the work of the ministry and consequently shall receive the consideration and support of the church which they truly deserve.

In view of these findings we present the following resolution:

1. Resolved, That we commend the efforts and faithfulness of the worthy agent of the Fund, Rev. Dr. Denis Wortman, and pray the Heavenly Father to bless and sustain him in the remaining, we trust many, years of his useful life.

2. Resolved, That we appreciate the large amounts of money that have come to the Fund through legacies and other sources, and trust that many others may be influenced to follow the worthy example of these givers, in order that the resources of the Fund may be still further materially increased.

3. Resolved, That we commend to our churches the claims of the Fund, and urge them to arrange for a generous offering in their annual budgets.

Respectfully submitted,

REVS. A. J. WALTERS,
JOHN BENNICK,
PETER GROOTERS,
A. C. DYKEMA,
ELDERS B. DUMEZ,
M. J. BOGERT,
FRANK HIGGINS,
Chairman.

The Report was adopted.

THE REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE OF THE WIDOW'S FUND AND THE DISABLED MINISTERS' FUND.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America:
Fathers and Brethren:—

The Joint Committee of the Widows' Fund and Disabled Ministers' Fund, to which was referred the overture from the Classis of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., and others, relative to the raising of a Million Dollar Pension Fund and Resolution No. 5 of the Board of Direction, hereby begs leave to report.

Your Committee is singularly, yet confidently, impressed with this project, not only because of the momentary vastness involved, but also with its plan and purpose. We are sensible that there is an ever growing consciousness of the need and importance of

ministerial sustentation, pensions and insurance. Not only has the public consciousness been well prepared in general by the masterful efforts of sister churches, but likewise in great measure by the yeoman service of our beloved pioneer and patriarch, Dr. Denis Wortman.

This overture for a MILLION DOLLAR PENSION FUND is not mere whim. It is a logical, or better, a natural product of much sowing and planting and watering—it is of God, who in His own good time, and way, giveth the increase? Moreover, in all its deliberations, the Committee has been instant in prayer, seeking with humble thanks to God, His divine sanction and favor.

Your Committee is also, calmly confident, and persuaded of the feasibility and possibility of achievement of this apparently vast project, of raising a One Million Dollar Pension Fund. This confidence is based upon efficiency, raised to the highest degree—such efficiency as has been succinctly and persuasively delineated upon the floor of General Synod, by Mr. Monel Sayre. We feel reasonably certain that all had been convinced by the force of the plan that was at once clear, concise and businesslike, and well nigh irresistible. But this is only an earnest of the subsequent success of our Million Dollar Project, if conducted in a similar manner, clearly, intelligently, and in a business-like way.

We believe that the time is propitious for such a project. The need of ministerial relief is unquestioned. The public consciousness has been quickened, and is plainly pliable. As in the case of Systematic Beneficence in our churches, so now efficiency knocks at the door of ministerial relief; with grateful acknowledgment to God; therefore, your Committee desires to submit to Synod the following:

Whereas, The Classis of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., has overtured the General Synod to raise as soon as possible the sum of One Million Dollars as a Permanent Pension Fund, the income of which shall be used in pensioning its disabled and superannuated ministers; and,

Whereas, Favorable action relative to this overture has been taken by 33 Classes of our Denomination as follows:

Thirty-one Classes approving the raising of a \$1,000,000 or more if necessary.

One Classis favoring the raising of \$500,000 or more if needed.

One Classis recommending the raising of an adequate sum.

Be it resolved:

1. That we approve the overtures presented by the several Classes, that the Reformed Church in America start to raise a fund

of at least 1,000,000 for the purpose of pensioning its disabled and superannuated ministers.

2. That in view of the extreme importance of securing the best possible members on a denominational commission, the President of Synod be intrusted to appoint after due consideration, a provisional committee of five members including the President of Synod, who shall act as Chairman of that provisional committee.

3. That this provisional committee be instructed to appoint a denominational commission to consist of a chairman and one representative of each Particular Synod.

4. That the denominational commission be instructed to devise and adopt an effective plan for securing the Million Dollar Fund, and may appoint four Synodical commissions, each Synodical commission to consist of one representative from each Classis.

5. That these Synodical commissions be authorized to appoint Classical commissions of a size and character affectively to carry out the plan.

6. That this denominational commission consider the whole question of the support of the ministry, including, sustentation, pension and insurance.

7. That these commissions have the power to fill their own vacancies.

8. That the denominational commission be instructed to devise a method of paying the expenses connected with the enterprise.

9. That these Synodical and classical commissions meet as soon as possible after their appointment, organize, determine upon the details with which they shall carry forward the plan of the denominational commission and put the same into effect.

10. That the denominational commission shall exercise a general oversight over the Synodical commissions, and be ready to make such suggestions to them as it may be able to do.

11. In a similar manner shall the Synodical commissions supervise the activities of the Classical commissions, and give such information and encouragement as may be in their power to do.

12. The Classical commissions shall give a written report of their work to their respective Synodical commissions by the first of April, 1918. The Synodical commissions shall submit a written report of their progress by May 1st, 1918, to the Denominational commission, and the Denominational commission shall report to the Synod of 1918.

13. That while the adoption of this report is pending representatives of the Classis of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., be given a hearing on the subject.

14. It is to be clearly understood that Synod does not limit the freedom of the Denominational commission in any way by these resolutions.

All of which is respectively submitted,

REV. J. STEUNENBERG,
 " WILBUR F. STOWE,
 " C. W. ROEDER,
 " A. J. WALTER,
 " JOHN BENNINK,
 " PETER GROOTERS,
 " A. C. DYKEMA,
 ELDER B. DUMÉZ,
 " M. J. BOGERT,
 " FRANK HIGGINS,
 " WM. PALZER,
 " LUTHER FRISBEE,
 " J. SCHERENS.

Pending the adoption of the Report, Rev. J. E. Lyall of the Classis of Poughkeepsie was heard.

The Report was adopted, and the following committee was appointed:

Rev. J. P. Searle, chairman; Rev. John Lamar, Rev. J. S. Kittell, Mr. C. W. Osborne, Mr. Frederick Frelinghuysen.

ARTICLE XIII.

OVERTURES.

Nothing occurred.

ARTICLE XIV.

SYNODICAL MINUTES AND REFERENCES.

THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SYNODICAL MINUTES AND REFERENCES.

The Minutes of the last General Synod and of the Particular Synods of New York, Albany, Chicago and New Brunswick, were placed in the hands of the Committee on Synodical Minutes and References.

Your Committee has carefully examined these Minutes and they were found to be in excellent form, and according to the requirements of the Constitution, and especially is this true of the Minutes of General Synod.

Only three matters need be brought to the attention of this General Synod.

1. In the Minutes of the Particular Synod of New Brunswick, we find that an overture from the Classis of Paramus, came to that Synod concerning efficient machinery to assist ministers and churches that are contemplating or have effected the dissolution of the pastoral relationship.

The whole matter was finally recommitted to the Classis of Paramus for further consideration and clarification.

Your Committee believes that this matter is worthy of the fullest consideration and so recommends.

2. Again, your Committee notes in connection with the Minutes of the Particular Synod of Chicago that when Committee recommendations are made, there is a failure to record the enacting clause. Doubtless such recommendations are approved, but such approval is not always recorded.

3. Your Committee further recommends that the usual number of copies of the Minutes of General Synod be printed.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. ABRAM DURYEE, **Chairman**,
 REV. J. G. THEILKEN,
 REV. J. HARVEY MURPHY,
 REV. J. A. THOMPSON,
 ELDER E. E. OLIVINE,
 ELDER GEO. DE BEY,
 ELDER W. A. VOIGHT.

The Report was adopted.

ARTICLE XV.

JUDICIAL BUSINESS.

THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIAL BUSINESS.

Your Committee would call attention to the following overture from the Synod of Chicago.

In view of the importance attaching to the problem of religious

instruction of the children and youth of the churches, and in view of the means and agencies at hand for the furthering of this cause, the Particular Synod of Chicago assembled at Pella, Iowa, May 2nd and 3rd, hereby overtures the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America as follows:

That General Synod direct the Board of Publication and Sunday School Work—

1. To make strong and continuous efforts to foster catechetical work in our churches.

2. That the Board, by means of leaflets, etc., supply stimulating literature on the subject, so that our churches and the parents in our churches, may be reached by this unobtrusive but leavening influence.

3. That the Board be directed to amend, or, if this is not deemed necessary, to so interpret the rules under which the Educational Agent is working, that the prosecution of catechetical work in all our churches, shall be given greater prominence.

Your Committee is impressed with the importance of this overture, which bears upon the serious matter of the religious instruction of the children and youth of our churches. No matter is more vital to the church at large than this. On investigation, we find that the purpose and plans of the Board of Publication and Bible School Work, together with those of the Educational Secretary, Rev. Theodore F. Bayles are in harmony and accord with the desire expressed in the overture of the Synod of Chicago.

Your Committee, therefore, would recommend the adoption, by the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America, of the foregoing overture, from the Synod of Chicago.

Your Committee begs leave to make the following nominations for the Permanent Committee on Judicial Business:

Elder Cornelius Dosker, for five years, to succeed himself.

Dr. W. H. S. Demarest, to fill out the unexpired term of the Rev. John G. Fagg, deceased.

Respectfully submitted,

O. M. TROUSDALE.
F. S. SEWELL,
H. J. PIETENPOL,
J. W. STRAYER.

The Report was adopted.

ARTICLE XVI.

CORRESPONDENCE.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE
AND RELIGIOUS EXERCISES.

A mass of material has been referred to your Committee, of which the following communications are the most important:

Six volumes constituting the Quadrennial Report of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, entitled "Library of Christian Co-operation;" also, from the same Council, the pamphlets entitled, "The Duty of the Church in This Hour of National Need," "Mobilization of Christian Forces for the Service of Community and Nation," "The Churches of America and the New World Order," "The World Alliance for Promoting International Friendship," "A Challenge to Christians in the Churches of America," and "A New Era in Human History."

From other sources there has come such important matter as the Report of the Alliance of Reformed Churches holding the Presbyterian System, and the report of the Council of the same body. In these documents a comprehensive summary of the activities of the churches of the Western (American) Section, shows an encouraging condition.

The following credentials have been placed in the hands of the Committee:

The credential of the Rev. J. Preston Searle, D. D., from the Western, or American, section of the Alliance of the Reformed Churches Holding the Presbyterian System.

The credential of the Rev. J. Addison Jones, D. D., the fraternal delegate from the Executive Committee of the Council of the Reformed Churches Holding the Presbyterian System.

Other credentials received are those of the Rev. Judson Swift, D. D., Secretary of the American Tract Society; the Rev. Joseph Brunn, representing the Waldensian Church of Italy; the Rev. Chas. S. MacFarland, D. D., the General Secretary of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America; the Rev. O. Bell Close, D. D., representing the Anti-Saloon League; the Rev. Sidney L. Gullick, D. D., representing the World Alliance for Promoting International Friendship; the Rev. H. L. Bowlby, Secretary of the Lord's Day Alliance; the Rev. L. B. Chamberlain, Secretary of the American Bible Society, and the Rev. John Lamar, representing the Chicago Tract Society.

The Synod was addressed by Dr. Searle, Dr. Swift, Dr. Mac-

Farland, Dr. Gulick, Dr. Close, Mr. Brunn, Mr. Bowlby, Mr. Chamberlain and Mr. Lamar in the interest of the special organization which each one represented. The Rev. D. G. Van Peursen, of our Arabian Mission, also addressed the Synod presenting the need of Syrian and Armenian relief.

The Synod also received a brief message from the Rev. J. I. Good, D. D., representing the western section of the Alliance of the Reformed Churches Holding the Presbyterian System, in reference to the completion of the plans for the English translation of the work of Zwingli in connection with the celebration of the four hundredth anniversary of the Reformation.

Happily, the Committee had made arrangements for a special address, bearing upon the proposed Million Dollar Fund for the Relief of our Disabled Ministers and their dependents, Mr. Monell Sayre, formerly with the Carnegie Foundation, now the Executive Secretary of the Church Pension Fund of the Episcopal Church, delivered a stirring address before the Synod on Friday afternoon. As an expert in pensions, he explained concisely, but comprehensively, the system underlying the work which has been carried to a successful issue under his leadership in the Episcopal Church, as a result of which the aged or incapacitated clergyman is made an annuitant, and not an object of the church's charity. The Synod showed its appreciation of Mr. Sayre's message by passing a special resolution of thanks which is to be conveyed to him through the President and Stated Clerk of this body.

The gratitude of the Synod is also expressed to the Rev. Sartell Prentice, who, in response to the invitation of the Committee, gave his illustrated lecture on Moab, Edom and Petra at the Saturday night gathering.

To this Committee were also referred reports from some of our corresponding delegates appointed last year. Both the Rev. M. J. McLeod, and his alternate, the Rev. C. H. Stewart, reported their inability to attend the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (North). A letter was received from the Rev. Wm. Sinclair, stating his intention of conveying in person the greetings of Synod to the Presbyterian Church of Canada.

The Rev. Isaac W. Gowen, reported that as a fraternal delegate of this body he had attended the Triennial meeting of the Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States, and was received with fraternal cordiality. His review of the historical relations of these two churches, both in Europe and in America, and his hope that in the mobilization of the religious forces of American Protestantism, to meet the large problems of the coming days; these two kindred denominations might come into closer fellowship and co-operation, met with an earnest and united re-

sponse of that Synod, to foster and support any proposals that may come for conference that might result under divine purpose, in the union of these churches. He also was informed that the Triennial Synod previous to his arrival, had voted to discontinue the sending or receiving of fraternal delegates hereafter, for the reason that in the allied larger fellowship, in which both churches were represented, the need of such fraternal visits seemed no longer imperative.

The corresponding delegate to the Reformed Churches of the Netherlands, reported that their Synod, appointed for 1917, has not yet been convened and may be postponed for some time.

Through the Chairman, the Rev. Isaac W. Gowen, our commission on the Federal Council reported that the commission attended the 3rd Quadrennial meeting at St. Louis, December, 1916, and represented the Reformed Church at the Général Meeting and at the Commissions of which they were individual members.

The Commission organized and elected as denominational Vice President, Rev. J. E. Kuizenga, and as members of the Executive Committee Council, to serve the term between the quadrennial meetings, Rev. A. T. Broek, Rev. I. W. Gowen, Primarii, and Rev. Amme Vennema, and Rev. Jesse W. Brooks, Secundii.

The Second Council meeting was held at Washington, D. C., May 8th and 9th, to prepare a call to the churches of America to meet the Nation's crisis, which was attended by two members of your commission, Rev. J. W. Brooks, and Rev. Oscar M. Voorhees.

In view of the statement made by the General Secretary of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, that our church is among the very few of the 30 protestant churches, composing that organization, without a commission on social service, the Committee offers the following recommendation:

Resolved: That a committee of five on social service be elected which shall, after consultation with the Board of Domestic Missions and with the commission on the Church and Social Service of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, and the Social Service commissions or committees of the other denominations of the Federal Council, report at the next General Synod, presenting recommendations as to the manner by which the Synod and its churches may best co-operate in the interest of the social task of the Churches; that this commission be empowered during the year to act for the Synod in measures initiated by the Commission on the Church and Social Service of the Federal Council, according to its discretion.

Resolved: That the committee consist of the Rev. W. R. Ackert, Chairman; Rev. J. F. Heemstra; Rev. E. G. W. Meury

Elder Geo. Tiffany (178 Hawthorne St., Brooklyn, N. Y.); and Elder T. J. Huizinga, M. D. (Grand Rapids, Mich.).

The Committee further recommends the following action:

Whereas, the extraordinary international situation that confronts the United States, is a matter of deep concern to all Christians and all churches, calling for their co-operation in the largest ways, and with the wisest methods, in the adoption of Christian principles in our dealing with the belligerent nations of Europe, with Mexico, and Latin America, and with China and Japan, and—

Whereas, the Commission on International Justice and Goodwill of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, in co-operation with the American Council of the World alliance for promoting international friendship through the churches, has worked out plans whereby the christians and churches of the United States may unite in their great new task of christianizing America's international relations.

Resolved: 1. That all our pastors be and hereby are urged by this General Synod to secure from the Federal Council (105 E. 22nd St., New York City), the literature setting forth these plans and proposals.

Resolved: 2. That we commend to the pastors and churches for careful consideration, two pamphlets issued by the Federal Council; "The Duty of the Church in this Hour of National Need" and "A New Era in Human History"—the latter being a four weeks course of study in the outlines of world constructive statemanship.

Resolved: 3. That the religious weeklies and other organs of our body be requested to keep our members informed of the activities and programs of the World Alliance for international friendship, in order that our body, as one regiment in the great Christian Army in the United States, may keep step with the other communions and may be ready to do its part effectively, in christianizing America's relations with other lands.

Resolved: That we appoint as our Commission to co-operate in the work of the American Council of the World Alliance for promoting international friendship, Rev. J. A. Ingham, Chairman; Rev. Peter Moerdyke; Rev. Albertus T. Broek; Rev. Benj. Hoffman; Senator Jos. S. Frelinghuysen.

The Council of the Reformed Churches in America holding the Presbyterian System, through its Executive Committee, respectfully requests the General Synod—

(A) To authorize the Council to prepare and to present to them at their meetings in 1918, such changes in the plans of the Council as shall bring into more practical form, the whole matter of closer relations between the churches and between their organized agencies;

(B) To consent to the organization by the Council of a common representative commission on ministerial relief looking toward both co-operation of all the boards or agencies of the council, report to be made at a later meeting of the Council;

(C) To authorize their executive agencies to appoint representatives to be present at future meetings of the Council.

The Committee recommends that the General Synod grant these requests.

The Committee recommends the appointment of the following corresponding delegates:

Presbyterian Church (North), Rev. T. H. Mackenzie, primarius; Rev. J. A. Jones, alternate.

Presbyterian Church (South), Rev. O. M. Trousdale, primarius; Rev. John Y. Broek, alternate.

United Presbyterian Church, Rev. Albert von Schlieder, primarius; F. T. B. Reynolds, alternate.

Presbyterian Church, Canada, Rev. R. A. Watson, primarius; Rev. O. H. Walser, alternate.

Reformed Church of U. S. (not meeting until 1920).

Christian Reformed Church in North America, Rev. P. Moerdyke, primarius; Rev. Henry Harmeling, alternate.

General Assembly of Evan. Church of Italy, Rev. Henry Hospers, primarius; Rev. W. R. Ackert, alternate.

Waldensian Church of Italy, Prof. F. R. Hutton, primarius; Rev. Henry E. Cobb, alternate.

Nat'l Prost. Church of Geneva, Rev. P. S. Leinbach, primarius; Rev. G. H. Payson, alternate.

The Reformed Churches of the Netherlands, meeting in 1917, Rev. J. F. Zwemer, D. D., primarius; Rev. Martin Flipse, alternate.

Church of Christ in Japan, Rev. W. B. Hill, primarius; Rev. W. W. Schomp, alternate.

South India United Church, Rev. W. H. S. Demarest, primarius; Rev. John Lamar, alternate.

Respectfully submitted,

JASPER S. HOGAN,
PETER MOERDYKE,
GARRETT M. CONOVER,
HENRY LOCKWOOD,
FREDERIC R. HUTTON,
Committee.

The Report was adopted.

ARTICLE XVII.

BENEVOLENT SOCIETIES.

THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BENEVOLENT SOCIETIES.

The Committee on Benevolent Societies would report as follows:

There has been submitted to your Committee, the following papers:

1. A communication from the American Tract Society.
2. A communication from the American Bible Society.
3. A resolution regarding Sabbath observance, submitted by Elder Wm. Perry Watson, M. D.
4. A communication from the National Reform Association.
5. A communication from the Federal Council Committee for Armenian and Syrian Relief.
6. A communication from the Lord's Day Alliance of the United States.

1. The *American Tract Society* states that for ninety-two years it has disseminated, in both the home and foreign mission fields, the saving truths of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, as commonly believed and accepted by all Evangelical churches, and has supplied Christian literature in 178 languages and dialects, to a total of over 797,700,000 copies of volumes, periodicals and tracts; and has made cash grants to foreign mission stations, to the total amount of nearly \$1,000,000.

Their Colporteurs have made, during all these years, nearly 19,000,000 family visits, distributed millions of volumes of Gospel literature and conducted nearly 600,000 religious meetings, a service which has accomplished untold good, conserved Christian faith and character, and proclaimed the Gospel of our salvation to millions of men and women in all parts of the world. This Society still is needed to bring the word of God in an attractive and convincing manner to the millions yet unreached.

Resolved, That in view of the above facts the Synod earnestly commends the work of the American Tract Society to our Pastors, churches, and members, and urges all our consistories to include the work of this Society in their budget for an annual offering.

2. *The American Bible Society.*

This is one of the two great Bible Societies of the World, the other being the British and Foreign Bible Society. The American Society, within the past year, has entered upon the 101st year of

its life and work, and during 1916 held many most interesting and helpful Centennial meetings to celebrate this notable event. These meetings were participated in by thousands of churches, Sunday-schools and religious societies, in union meetings and large popular gatherings, and particularly in the official celebrations at Washington and New York and in many of the chief cities of Central and South America, Japan, Corea, China, Egypt, and many other important centers.

These celebrations were intended not only to review the past, but to arouse greater interest in the present and future work of this society, and there is abundant evidence, that this result has already been achieved.

The magnitude of the Society's work is somewhat shown by the fact that the Bibles and portions printed by it are regularly distributed by over 2,000 Colporteurs and correspondents, through nine home and twelve foreign agencies, scattered over five continents, and the Islands of the Sea and expressed in over 150 languages. The issues of 1916 were 5,170,000 volumes and the total issues for the hundred years of the Society's work, were over 117,687,000 volumes. The income of this Society in 1916 was \$665,880.00 and its expenses \$735,848.00, the difference being provided by funds reserved for that purpose, but as opportunity opens for development the need of constantly increasing funds is evident.

In view of these facts we offer the following resolutions:

Resolved: 1. That this Synod heartily congratulates the American Bible Society upon the world-wide and sympathetic recognition of its Centennial Year (1916), and the increased interest in its work which has marked the first year of its new century.

2. That the Synod regrets that the gifts of the living to the Society, while larger than in previous years, did not, during the past year, suffice for the unusually large and necessary expansion of its work, and hopes that the Christian Churches of America, including all congregations of the Reformed Church in America, will respond with hearty sympathy and liberal gifts to the appeal of the Society for funds so that the fundamental work of distributing the Holy Scripture throughout our land and the nations of the earth, may not be delayed for lack of means.

3. Wm. Perry Watson, M. D., an Elder of the old Bergen Reformed Church of Jersey City, submits the following preamble and resolutions; which your Committee heartily approves and recommends to the endorsement of the General Synod.

Whereas, it is commonly known, that the Sabbath Day is not observed by a large number of people in accordance with the Fourth Commandment, which tells us to "Remember the Sabbath Day to keep it Holy," in that social visits, dinners and Sunday

newspapers, automobile riding and other such things, take up most of that day; therefore, General Synod of the Reformed Church in America, enters its protest against all such desecration of the Sabbath Day, and earnestly requests all the members of our Church to diligently practice the Christian religion by a more faithful daily study of God's word, a more regular attendance at divine worship, and by every way; which will tend to keep the Sabbath Day as a Holy Day of God's appointment.

Resolved, that this action of Synod be read in each of our Reformed Churches at their services on the third Sunday of September, 1917.

4. The National Reform Association respectfully urges the General Synod to join with it in petitioning the President of the United States to set apart a day of prayer, upon which the people of this land may unitedly implore the God of the Nation for divine guidance, the overthrow of national evils, forgiveness for national sins, the speedy cessation of war and the establishment of a righteous and lasting peace.

Among other reasons for this request, the National Reform Association points out that:

1. This is a time of crisis in our national life; a Christian man goes to God for help and guidance in his crisis, so also should this Christian nation go to God for its aid in this Crisis.

2. We have been guilty of national sins, for which we should humbly crave God's pardon, such as the licensed saloon, pride, greed, and self-righteousness.

3. An opportunity would thus be given to unitedly consider important questions relating to our duty to the enlisted man, to the Government, to the cause of World peace and to the universal Kingdom of God.

An additional reason for this action may be pointed out in the fact that such a day of prayer would arouse the Christian people of this land as they could in no other way be aroused, to a sense of their dependence upon God in the face of our national perils, and their need of mutual council, conference and prayer; that the God who has made and preserved us as a Nation, may continue to sustain and guide us amid the calamities under which we are fallen. Therefore,

Resolved: 1. That this General Synod concur with the suggestion of the National Reform Association in petitioning our Government for the appointment of a National Day of Prayer, and when it shall have been designated by the President, they commend the appropriate and solemn observance of such a Day of Prayer to all our congregations.

Resolved 2. That a copy of this preamble and resolution be

signed by the President and the Stated Clerk of this General Synod and sent to the President of the United States, and that this action be also communicated to the National Reform Association.

5. Federal Council of the Church of Christ in America sends a communication relating to the present deplorable condition of the Armenian and Syrian peoples whose sufferings, precipitated by the racial and religious hatred of their oppressors and stimulated rather than restrained by nations whose sympathies for their fellow-beings have been stifled by the hard hand of war-like passions, are well known to the civilized world. Starvation and practical annihilation, faces these wretched remnants of once happy and prosperous people, and the American Committee for their relief appeals for \$6,000,000 a month to save those still living. In the face of this unexampled horror and suffering the General Synod resolves: That the Synod commends to all our people the duty and privilege of an opportunity to do our part in the relief of human suffering and sorrow such as the world has rarely witnessed, and calls upon all our pastors and churches to present this need to their congregations at an early date and to ask them to give liberally for the relief work of the Armenian and Syrian committee among these starving and dying millions.

7. The Lord's Day Alliance of the United States sends to the General Synod a very important communication on the outstanding question of the Christian Sabbath in the shape of a report of a special Committee of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, U. S. A., to that body in its late annual session. This report is a carefully considered and expressed statement of the Sabbath question and its present status. To quote many of its arguments would be impossible in this connection, but we would like to call the attention of the Synod to a statement which cannot be contradicted, namely:

Never before was there so ably organized and well financed a movement to break down our Christian Sabbath as the year through which we have passed. The bold and brazen marshalling together of mighty forces which leaped into the open in the recent months startled even those into whose hands was largely committed the safeguarding of the Lord's Day. The liquor traffic, sporting elements, theatre, dance halls, motion-picture show houses, business of unnumbered varieties, the powerful newspaper, strident voices of the world from everywhere, and the mad haste for Sunday pleasure in which an innumerable company of church members are likewise registered—these all have played their part against the sanctity of this day labeled with the name of the Author of our faith. With these facts including the tremendous efforts put forth in nearly every State of the nation this year to commercialize the Christian

Sabbath, we most emphatically assert that the time of neutrality—if such ever existed—on this question, as in the great war into which we have been drawn, has passed. There is no neutral ground. Every true believer must stand up and be counted.

Moreover, we are now facing this question of the secularization of the Sabbath for a new and startling standpoint. To quote again—

The distressing European war into which the United States has been drawn has brought with it careless regard for the Sabbath in many places. In New England, the Middle States and elsewhere munition factories, steel plants and foundries have been running seven days a week, and paper and pulp factories, seizing the opportunity for increased profits, are doing the same. Railroads ready to meet the traffic demands have increased their Sunday traffic, and businesses of many kinds have leaped swiftly into line. If England has been able to keep her munition factories closed on Sundays since the war began, why cannot the United States? The words of Hon. William B. Wilson, Secretary of Labor, are apropos here and as touching other situations:

"Give to every able-bodied and willing worker the opportunity of six days' toil in seven, and every physical necessity of mankind will be abundantly supplied. This principle is divinely ordained, economically sound, physiologically needed, and imperative from the humanitarian standpoint."

We do not need to add further to the statements, nor is any argument necessary, we are sure, to induce the Reformed Church in America to cast the whole weight of her influence for the preservation and safe guarding of the Scriptural observance of the Christian Sabbath. In view of these facts and of the needs of the whole movement of the Sabbath observance, we therefore offer for adoption the following resolutions:

Resolved: 1. That the General Synod expresses its strong and emphatic disapproval of all secular uses of the Lord's Day, all games and sports in civic life as also in the Army and Navy, all unnecessary traveling and all excursions, and urges upon all employers of labor and captains of industry to recognize the need of the laboring man for his weekly rest day and to secure him in this right, thereby insure his larger efficiency and happiness and the greater prosperity of both capital and labor.

2. That this Synod most strongly protests against the operation of moving picture shows and of liquor saloons and all attempts to legalize them on the Lord's Day, and urges our public officials to enforce the law against this indefensible Sunday business, all of which is a serious menace to the true spirit of the Lord's

Day, to our churches and sabbath schools, and to the right employment of the Sabbath in our families.

3. That this Synod again expresses its disapproval of the Sunday Newspaper, as a needless and destructive influence against the sanctity of the Lord's Day, and urges the members of our church neither to buy, nor read nor advertise in it.

4. That this General Synod appoint a permanent committee on the observance of the Lord's Day whose number shall be seven and which shall co-operate with similar committees of other denominations and with other organizations formed for the promotion of the sanctity of the Lord's Day, and whose object shall be to extend and to safe-guard the scriptural observance of the Christian Sabbath throughout our land.

The President of Synod later appointed the following committee as called for by Resolution 4 of the resolutions pertaining to the work of the Lord's Day Alliance as follows:

Revs. A. DeW. Mason, John Van Westenberg, P. H. Milliken and Edward Dawson. Elders Wm. Perry Watson, M. D., George Tiffany and J. N. Trompen.

5. That this Synod recommends that each of our Classes appoint a similar committee to advance the interest of this important work, in their constituent churches, and the local communities in which they are situated.

6. That the Synod heartily commends and endorses the work of the Lord's Day Alliance of the United States and the Women's National Sabbath Alliance and commend these organizations to the co-operation of all our churches.

7. That this Synod recommend that the week known as Lord's Day Week, commencing on the first Sabbath after Easter, and including the second Sabbath after Easter, be observed as a week of prayer for the preservation of the Lord's Day in its quiet, rest and worship, that the lesson in all our Sabbath Schools on the first Sabbath after Easter, be on the observance of the Sabbath, and that each of our Pastors preach a sermon on that day or as soon thereafter as possible on the subject of the Sabbath.

All of which is respectfully submitted by

A. DEW. MASON,
J. GARLAND HAMNER, JR.,
K. J. DYKEMA,
J. E. LYALL,

Committee.

The Report was adopted.

ARTICLE XVIII.

SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE.

REPORT ON CHURCH STATISTICS.

REPORT OF A COMMITTEE APPOINTED BY THE GENERAL SYNOD OF 1916
TO TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION THE MATTER OF INACCURACY OF
CHURCH STATISTICS AND TO REPORT TO THE GENERAL SYNOD
OF 1917 A PLAN TO REMEDY THIS CONDITION.

At the General Synod of 1916 an Overture was received from the Particular Synod of New York, calling attention to the inaccuracy of the statistics received from some of the churches, and asking that a committee be appointed to take the matter into consideration. The Committee on Overtures recommended that a representative committee be appointed to take into consideration this matter of the inaccuracy of church statistics, and report to the General Synod of 1917 a plan to remedy this condition. (Minutes, page 789). The undersigned were appointed to this committee, and beg to submit the following report:—

The matter in question is not one of recent growth. In the Minutes of the General Synod of 1817, the Chairman of the Committee on the State of Religion was constrained to write as follows: "Your committee find a deficiency in the statistical tables, which prevents that minuteness of details which they esteem both desirable and necessary." Again, in 1819, the Committee is compelled to state that, "Owing to a deficiency in the Reports of the Particular Synods of New York and Albany, your Committee have not been able satisfactorily to ascertain the state of the Churches, and would therefore earnestly recommend to the several Classes under our care to be hereafter more particular on this subject."

And since these years very many of the Committees have lamented the fact that the statistics have been faulty, and carelessly compiled. There has been a very considerable improvement within recent years, but it is evident that there is still much to be desired.

It has seemed to your Committee that recognition must be made of at least two factors in the unsatisfactory conditions as they are recognized by the Church generally.

I.—The conviction on the part of some of our Ministers and Consistories that the compilation and presentation of the Statistical Tables to the Classis and higher judicatories is an unnecessary and laborious task, which can be disposed of, in part, by the use of general estimates, and, in part, by being ignored. The evidence for this

is to be seen in certain columns of the Statistical Tables, where either round numbers are given, or else the columns are left blank.

It will be a laborious task indeed to remedy this condition. When the sources of the information which General Synod desires are not persuaded of the importance, value, or necessity of that which is requested, it will require an extensive campaign of education to convince them. Your Committee is of the belief that improvement on this side of the question is to be secured by Classical oversight, and continued insistence by the Classis that each Minister and Consistory shall be required to prepare the reports for the State of Religion with accuracy and in the fullest detail. Each Classis, in the way which seems most effective to it, should secure such oversight of the Consistorial blanks when they are returned year by year, as will enable the Classical Committee on the State of Religion to be reasonably sure that perfect records have been prepared.

It is difficult to see what further can be recommended on this point without venturing into the dangerous ground of compulsion and penalty, but we believe that the General Synod should, in the most urgent way, emphasize the importance of such action by the Classes of the Church.

II.—In common with many others your Committee is of the opinion that one great source of inaccuracy in the reports is to be found in the lack of clearness in the directions on the blanks. These blanks are a growth, columns having been added at various times during the past hundred years. Various directions have been annexed from time to time, with the idea of clarifying certain points. And it must be confessed that there is ground for the statement that even yet certain of the columns are capable of differing interpretations. Your Committee was impressed with the fact that so many of the directions were expressed negatively. There seems also a lack of unity in the arrangement of the columns, and in one or two particular instances the Committee believes that added columns will aid in bringing before the Church at large a truer view of the condition of our work from year to year.

The Committee therefore has undertaken a rearrangement of the order of the columns, with a view to the relative importance of each, and its connection with the one adjoining. It has added two columns, the purpose of which is evident from their headings, and the directions. It has sought to clarify the directions generally, chiefly by making them, as far as possible, positive in language, and as simple as can be. On the reverse page, devoted to a detailed list of "Collections," your Committee has ventured to make certain rearrangements, and has introduced a number of other specified objects of benevolence, so as to include those suggested by the

Stated Clerk of the General Synod in the blanks issued by him for use at this present Synod.

We therefore present for the approval of General Synod the following form of Consistorial Report blank, in the belief that by its adoption some, at least, of the inaccuracies complained of may be made unnecessary, and by the clarification of language the way made surer for all who wish to render accurate and full reports.

The Committee offers the following resolution, which will put the revised blanks into operation for reports hereafter, when they have been approved by the General Synod.

Resolved, That the General Synod approve the form of statistical table recommended by the Committee for use in making the Consistorial reports of the churches to their Classes; and direct that until further notice by the General Synod the Board of Publication and Bible School Work be authorized and directed to prepare and distribute blanks with the following headings in proper form, with the instructions incorporated therewith.

(Note.—The Committee does not reproduce the complete or proper tabular form of the Consistorial Report because of the expense which would be therein involved.)

ANNUAL CONSISTORIAL REPORT OF THE CHURCH OF

COMMUNICANTS.

- 1.—Total Number of Communicants.
- 2.—Number who Communed during the year.
- 3.—Number of Church Families.

GAINS.

- 4.—On Confession.
- 5.—On Certificate.

LOSSES.

- 6.—By Dismissal.
- 7.—By Discipline.
- 8.—By Death.

OTHERS ENROLLED.

- 9.—Adherents.
- 10.—Absent List.
- 11.—Inactive List.

BAPTISMS.

- 12.—Infants.
- 13.—Adults.
- 14.—Number of Baptised Non-Communicants.

CATECHETICAL CLASSES AND BIBLE SCHOOLS.

- 15.—Number under Catechetical Instruction by the Pastor.

16.—Number of Bible Schools.

17.—Total Enrollment.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

18.—For Denominational Purposes.

19.—For Other Objects.

EXPENDITURES.

20.—For Congregational Purposes.

Under the tabular statement, following the space reserved for the date and signature of the person reporting, is the blank space for comments. In numerous instances this is not used. The Committee calls attention to the fact that the Constitution requires the consistories to comply with its provisions. Under the heading we therefore suggest the following wording:

REMARKS.

(Constitution, Section 71).—"It shall be the duty of the several Consistories to make a statistical report at the meeting of the Classis immediately preceding the stated meetings of the Particular and General Synods. Such reports shall comply with the requirements which the General Synod may formulate *and shall be accompanied by such comment on the spiritual state of the congregation as the Consistory may deem proper.*"

REVERSE OF BLANK.

(LEFT HAND THIRD).

BENEVOLENT OFFERINGS

have been given during the current year to the following objects:

Board of Education	\$
Board of Domestic Missions	\$
Church Building Fund	\$
Women's Board of Domestic Missions	\$
Board of Foreign Missions	\$
Arabian Mission	\$
Woman's Board of Foreign Missions	\$
Board of Publication and Bible School Work	\$
The Widows' Fund	\$
The Disabled Ministers' Fund	\$
Theological Seminaries	\$
Hope College	\$
Central College	\$
Classical Church Extension	\$

II.—OTHER OBJECTS OF BENEVOLENCE.

American Bible Society	\$
American Tract Society	\$
Lord's Day Alliance	\$
Anti-Saloon and Temperance	\$
Children's Societies and Orphanages	\$
Poor Funds	\$
Social Service	\$
War Relief	\$
Evangelism	\$
Uncatalogued	\$

REVERSE OF BLANK

(REMAINING PART AS FAR AS NEEDED).

CONSISTORIAL REPORT

OF THE

..... Reformed
Church of
....., 19

DIRECTIONS FOR CONSISTORIAL REPORTS.

1.—See Section 76 of the Constitution. Revise the Church Roll each year just prior to the Spring Meeting of the Classis. In this column place such revised total omitting names which properly belong in columns 9, 10 or 11. Count no non-resident member, who has lived out of the parish two years, nor any resident member who has become non-attending and non-supporting for a period of two years.

2.—Include all communicant members who have participated in at least one Communion during the year, counting each person only once. Or, a less accurate method approved to secure the same result will be to add together the numbers who have communed at all the sacramental services of the year, and divide this aggregate by the number of such services.

3.—Count only resident families as "Church Families," in which one at least of the family is a Communicant; and those families in which, there being no communicant member, one, at least, is a regular and systematic contributor to the support of the Church.

- Discipline is a severance of church relations for such of-

fences as are considered by Article XI of the Constitution. See Section 149.

9.—Include all adult persons who are regular attendants upon the Church services, or contributors to the support of the Church, and who are not included in the Communicant list in column 1.

10.—“A member whose address has been unknown for two years may be placed upon the absent list.” Constitution, Section 77.

11.—Include all resident and non-resident members whose addresses are known, but who have been non-attending and non-supporting for at least two years, and concerning whom no Consistorial action has been taken under Section 140 of the Constitution.

14.—Reckon all persons in Church Families, under twenty-one years of age, who have been baptized, but have not made public Confession of Faith.

17.—Count all the Officers, Teachers, and Scholars in the Bible School, including the members of the Cradle Roll and Home Department.

18.—Include whatever is given by the Congregation, or any of its members, for Benevolence in the Regular offerings of the Church for the Boards and Institutions of the Church; and also whatever is given to denominational benevolences which passes through the hands of any of the Church's Treasurers; and also whatever money is spent in the purchase of articles for missionary boxes and the like for the work of the Reformed Church.

19.—Include all gifts for any benevolent or missionary work not included under column 18, and also any contributions which pass directly to their objects without going through the Denominational Boards or Congregational Treasuries.

20. Include the amount expended for the maintenance of the Church and all its affiliated organizations. Exclude “all income from bequests of previous years, rentals from real estate or invested funds of any kind.” (Minutes, 1907, pp. 854-860.)

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERIC R. HUTTON,
PAUL S. LEINBACH,
JAMES BOYD HUNTER.

The Report was adopted, and later a supplementary Resolution was adopted that the committee be continued until further action by General Synod.

REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE TO THE GENERAL SYNOD,
R. C. A. MAY 31st, 1917.

The year which closed April 30th, 1917, brought to most of the Boards and Funds of the Reformed Church increased contributions from churches and their organizations, the largest advance over the contributions of the previous year coming through church offerings. This commendable result of the year's work is undoubtedly due to that increasing number of our churches which is placing the missions and benevolences of the denomination upon a systematic basis through the adoption of the Every Member Canvass and regular weekly offerings. The Permanent Committee on Systematic Beneficence feels justified in making this assertion, for the reason that reports continue to come to it from church after church indicating that in practically every instance of the adoption of this approved plan to introduce system into giving, there has been marked increase in the amounts available for denominational activities.

No effort has been made this year, as was the case a year ago, to determine the exact number of our churches which have put into practice the Every Member Canvass. That the number is larger than it was a year ago is assured by the fact that during this year the Committee has been in correspondence with a number of churches just introducing the plan, and has been called upon constantly to supply printed matter concerning it, including the Canvassers' Hand Book and Pledge Cards in quantities which would not be needed were they not to be put in active service in the churches, and which has necessitated the printing of new editions of both of these efficient aids. By circularizing the churches, by articles in the denominational papers and by correspondence the Committee has continued to urge the adoption of the principles of Systematic Beneficence in all our churches, and it does not consider that its task will be completed until every church has adopted the Every Member Canvass or some equally fruitful method of systematizing its giving.

In some of the churches which have adopted this system there seems to prevail a sentiment that no special appeals should ever be made from their pulpits for denominational causes; that the results attained by the Every Member Canvass should be accepted as the total possible or practicable benevolence of the church. This is an unfortunate point of view that it is hoped may change. It is true that Systematic Beneficence renders unnecessary and inadvisable the many appeals and the constant urging of congregations necessary before its adoption, but no church should close its

doors to the special appeal prompted by a denominational emergency, and in every church a place should be found for a free will offering for denominational causes upon the special Sundays set aside by the General Synod for the particular consideration of the missionary and benevolent causes of the Reformed Church. It has been well said that "there seems danger that giving shall lose its exuberance by being systematized"; but in our denomination there need be no such danger if our churches include special giving on these special Sundays, and also plan each to share willingly in the giving that may prove necessary in times of unusual stress.

The Committee on Systematic Beneficence has been directed to include in its report to the General Synod a Budget for missions and benevolences of the denomination to cover the present fiscal year, which in this instance will end April 30th, 1918. A consideration of the present needs of all our Boards and Funds result in the following, which is submitted as the goal of denominational giving for this year:

Foreign Missions	\$325,000 00
Domestic Missions	284,200 00
Publication and Bible School Work.....	20,000 00
Education	15,000 00
Disabled Ministers	15,000 00
Widows' Fund	12,000 00

Total\$671,200 00

All of which is respectfully submitted,

WM. T. DEMAREST,	WM. I. CHAMBERLAIN,
Secretary.	Chairman.

This Report was received and referred to the Standing Committee on Systematic Beneficence.

The Stated Clerk of General Synod offered the following in regard to

"OTHER BENEVOLENCES."

For some time there has been a desire on the part of the members of the Synod and members of the church at large and also on the part of officers of Benevolent Societies and Organizations of Christian work, to obtain statistics of gifts of the churches in regard to their benevolent work and gifts outside of the regular channels of their own denominational work.

At our last meeting of General Synod, this desire came to the front very strongly with an expressed desire on the part of one organization to be given a column in the Systematic Beneficence tables.

Of course, the natural objection to this was expressed in the discussion which followed, that other organizations would desire the same privilege, and there would be no limit to the additions that might be made or called for.

No satisfactory solution to the question was offered, and it remained unsettled.

Some time in December your Clerk received a letter from the Federal Council, a part of which reads as follows:

"Have you any available information about the amount of the gifts made by the churches in your communion to *War Relief Causes* or about methods employed? Some of the churches as you know, put war relief in their budgets, and others take collections at stated periods and still others provide war relief collection envelopes in the pews and vestibules.

If you have any available information about this matter we should greatly like to receive it, or if you have any suggestions as to the way in which we can receive the information, we would appreciate having it."

The Stated Clerk had no available information, nor any suggestion as to how to receive that information except to obtain it from each individual church.

In the matter in hand, your Clerk has taken the initiative, without authority from General Synod, thinking that perhaps, by an experiment, some solution of the question might be obtained and some *procedure established*, or that the whole question might be *discarded* if the Synod considered it unnecessary, too expensive, or had conscientious objections.

Your Clerk has made a systematic effort to obtain these statistics of the past year; and in doing so, has solicited the co-operation of the Stated Clerks of the Classes and the Chairmen of the Committees on State of Religion in the Classes.

Blanks were sent to each Classis with columns headed: American Bible Soc., American Tract Soc., Lord's Day Alliance, Anti-Saloon and Temperance, Childrens' Societies and Orphanages, Poor Funds, Social Service, War Relief and Evangelism. Columns are left blank for the other objects.

Returns have been received from 32 Classes, and 6 Classes did not report, or were unable to get the statistics at the time.

Considering the circumstance that the undertaking was new, the returns should be considered adequate to form a basis for a deci-

sion, as to whether Synod should gather these statistics and publish them; or leave the matter as it stands.

Your Clerk requests the Synod to refer these statistics to the Standing Committee on Systematic Beneficence.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY LOCKWOOD.

This statement and the statistics were referred to the Standing Committee on Systematic Beneficence.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE.

Your Standing Committee on Systematic Beneficence would respectfully report that two communications have been referred to us.

1. The Report of the Permanent Committee on Systematic Beneficence.

2. A communication from the Stated Clerk of General Synod relative to gathering tabulated reports of contributions by the churches to other benevolences.

Your Committee rejoices in the statement of the Permanent Committee that this year, there has been a marked increase in contributions from the churches, due, in the judgment of the Committee, to the larger number of churches who have adopted the every member canvass, and weekly offering.

We would emphasize the suggestion of the Committee that the churches do not unduly depend on the duplex envelope system, to the utter exclusion of any necessary appeals that may be properly made for any denominational emergency.

In response to a request from one of the benevolent societies for a report showing the amount contributed by our churches to that organization, an effort has been made by the Stated Clerk of General Synod to secure, in tabulated form, reports from the Stated Clerks of the various Classes for a number of such organizations, with encouraging success. His report to General Synod shows that he received returns from 32 Classes, and 6 did not report or were unable to get the statistics at the time. This shows that the churches would be willing to give such information if blanks were provided; and your Committee would therefore, recommend that a continuation Committee of three be appointed by this Synod, who shall be authorized to prepare and have printed suitable blanks to be distributed for the purpose of receiving this information, and report to the Synod of 1918.

Your Committee would suggest that Rev. James Boyd Hunter be Chairman of this Committee with power to chose his colleagues.

Respectfully submitted,

Signed,

HERBERT B. ROBERTS, Chairman.
D. SCHOLTEN,
HERBERT A. DECK,
L. G. LEGGETT,
WM. SKILLMAN.

The Report was adopted.

The Committee consists of: Rev. James Boyd Hunter, Rev. R. Bloemendal, Rev. W. W. Schomp, Rev. H. B. Roberts.

TABULAR STATEMENT.

Of the offerings made during the year ending April 30, 1917, by the several churches to the (denominational) Boards and Funds recommended by the General Synod, each sum comprising the total amount received from each church, whether by church offering or otherwise, and including societies of all kinds and schools. For further details see the Reports of the several Boards.

CLASSES.	Education.	Publication and Bible-school Work.	Foreign Missions.	Domestic Missions and Church Building Fund.	Disabled Ministers' Fund.	Windows' Fund.
CLASSIS OF ALBANY.						
Albany, First	\$100	\$25	\$2,096 10	\$943 75	\$200	\$100
Albany, Madison Ave.	193 17	10	1,992 83	1,484 54	100	67 48
Albany, Third	10		65	70		
Albany, Fourth	10		102	115	10	
Albany, Fifth	5	5 74	81 64	46 64		
Albany, Sixth	17 57	19 56	132 54	107 55	19 57	14 56
Bethlehem, First	17		190 75	186 58	12 50	12 50
Berne, Second						
Cedar Hill				10		
Clarksville	77	31	13 66	4 65	32	32
Coeymans		10 00	20	15		
Delmar	8 70	2 50	127 76	103 54	8 70	7 46
Jerusalem	5		51	37	2	20
Knox						
New Baltimore	6 26	2 47	57 49	60 85	4 63	
New Salem	2 14	87	29 14	23 31	87	87
Onesquethaw			7 57	5		
Union			11 94	7 39		
Westerlo	4	3	13 50	16 30	2 05	2 05
Totals	\$369 61	\$79 45	\$4,992 92	\$3,237 10	\$360 64	\$225 24
CLASSIS OF BERGEN.						
Hackensack, First	\$40	\$10	\$647 57	\$492 02	\$25	\$30
Schraalenburgh	7 71	13 05	176 60	194 83	20 17	10 03
English Neighborhood	11 15		56	23	4 85	
Hackensack, Second	27 30		695 57	975 56	50 40	
Hackensack, Third				19	3	
Closter		10	75 41	159 32		
Hackensack, North		12 89	93 08	86 22		4
Spring Valley	9		14 86	12	11 68	
Westwood	1 31	21 95	249 91	164 18	36 60	21 95
Oradell	36 59		242 25	229 50	19 30	18 10
Hasbrouck Heights	14 90		45	44		10
Highwood	10		17	50		
Rochelle Park		2	17	29 54		
Bogart Memorial		3 50	17	29 54		
Harrington Park			26 90	62 90		
Hackensack, Italian	5	10	49 50	47 08	10	10
W. M. Union	2	3	5	5		
North Bergen			55 81	150		
Totals	\$164 96	\$88 39	\$2,467 46	\$2,744 15	\$190	\$104 08
SOUTH CLASSIS OF BERGEN.						
Bergen, Jersey City	\$96 43	\$36 16	\$763 43	\$562 28	\$39 16	\$20
Bayonne, First	21 90	27 50	594 63	563 15	100	30
Van Voorst, First, Jersey City	7	7 45	206 77	187 84	17	30
Park, Jersey City			5	72		
Bayonne, Fifth Street	61 29	48 31	431 53	411 39	45 97	45 97
Hudson City, Second, Jersey City		10				

CLASSES.	Education.	Publication and Bible-school Work.	Foreign Missions.	Domestic Missions and Church Building Fund.	Disabled Ministers' Fund.	Widows' Fund.
SOUTH CLASSIS OF BERGEN. (Continued).						
Lafayette, Jersey City	56	28 44	438 43	415 43	35	35
Greenville, Jersey City	32 24	5	45 16	66 16	16 12	.....
Bayonne, Third	2	.....	5	15	2	2
German Ev., First, Jersey City ...	10	5	15	10	10	40
German Ev., St. John's, J. C. ....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40
Faith, Jersey City	15	5	163 14	163 14	10	10
West Side, Jersey City .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
W. M. Union .....	.....	.....	12	.....	.....	.....
Totals	\$301 86	\$172 86	\$2,680 09	\$2,466 39	\$275 25	\$252 97
CLASSIS OF THE CASCADES.						
Albia .....	.....	.....	.....	\$28	.....	.....
Big Timber .....	.....	.....	.....	3 46	.....	.....
Hope .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$ 55	\$1 19
Lynden .....	.....	.....	\$73 58	178 25	9 92	9 92
Manhattan .....	.....	\$3 35	9 03	20 62	.....	2
Monarch .....	.....	.....	14	37	.....	.....
Montana, First	\$6 50	5 50	80 12	113 83	5 75	5
New Holland, (Carlstadt) .....	.....	.....	.....	32	.....	.....
North Yakima	15	5	229 10	191	20	.....
Oak Harbor	6 10	5	85 21	147 82	11 75	16 71
Alderson, Alta, New Holland .....	.....	.....	16 80	30	.....	.....
San Francisco, Cal. ....	.....	.....	11	61	.....	.....
Seattle .....	.....	.....	.....	15	.....	.....
Spokane .....	.....	.....	.....	25 60	.....	.....
Elk .....	.....	.....	.....	32 65	.....	.....
Vincent .....	.....	.....	.....	5 75	.....	.....
Totals	\$27 60	\$18 85	\$518 84	\$919 99	\$47 97	\$34 82
CLASSIS OF DAKOTA.						
Aurora	\$4	.....	\$100 81	\$73	\$6	\$3
Castlewood .....	.....	.....	86 84	75 24	3	3
Charles Mix	5	\$5	114 02	80	15	10
Corsica	5	7 50	23	37 52	4	4
Estellene .....	.....	.....	.....	3 91	.....	.....
Grand View	5 50	4	14 80	14 29	3 55	3 55
Harrison	9 43	.....	453 62	356 27	11 40	8 56
Hull, Am. Ref. ....	.....	.....	22 55	29	.....	.....
Lake View .....	.....	1	8	19 77	1 25	1
Litchville	1 69	.....	26 68	81 92	.....	.....
Maurice, Am. Ref.	11	11 60	138 44	184 55	.....	.....
Monroe, Sandham Memorial	26 47	5	290 06	234 71	39 68	.....
North Marion .....	.....	.....	122 65	111 25	.....	.....
Orange City, Am. Ref.	29 40	24 50	1,327 25	640 29	24 50	24 50
Springfield	29 08	27 85	300 44	217 01	26 87	26 87
Tyndall .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Westfield	11 36	19 36	408 25	331 51	26 65	19 66
Strasburg .....	.....	.....	.....	10	.....	.....
Bethel, Sioux Falls, S. D. ....	.....	.....	20	.....	5	5
W. M. Union .....	.....	.....	19 58	.....	.....	.....
Totals	\$137 93	\$105 81	\$3,476 99	\$2,500 24	\$166 90	\$109 14
CLASSIS OF GERMANIA.						
Baker .....	.....	.....	\$6 98	\$56 97	.....	.....
Bethany	\$10	\$10	90	110	\$10	\$30
Bethel .....	.....	3	12 50	.....	5	2
Chancellor .....	.....	1	84 50	113 50	10	10
Cromwell Center .....	.....	.....	50	67 20	.....	.....
Davis .....	.....	3 50	43	65 20	.....	.....
Delaware .....	.....	.....	38 50	83 33	.....	.....
Dempster	9 65	7 66	119 56	.....	4	4
Herman .....	.....	.....	.....	14	.....	.....

CLASSES.	Education.	Publication and Bible-school Work.	Foreign Missions.	Domestic Mis- sions and Church Building Fund.	Disabled Minis- ters' Fund.	Widows' Fund.
CLASSIS OF GERMANIA. (Continued).						
Hope			69 50	72	12	12 17
Lennox, Second	18 18	4 68	152 15	148 10	18 02	5
Logan	5	5	15	70 74	5	5
Monroe	10	8 60	77	124 38	11 32	2
North Sibley	10		49	32 06	5	5
Salem	25	14 60	219 20	206 10	20	10
Scotland			71 46	129 56		
Sibley			18 50	42		
Strasburg		5	5			
Parkersburg, German				154 70		
Totals	\$87 83	\$63 04	\$1,121 85	\$1,567 93	\$100 34	\$80 17
CLASSIS OF GRAND RIVER.						
Allegan				\$43 50		
Ada	\$3		\$9 76	31 40	\$2 50	\$2
Allendale				10		
Atwood	3 73	\$3 72	23 54	25 42		
Beverly				27 48		
Byron Center	7 56	5 66	170 67	136 17	8 10	5
Coopersville	18	2	1,016 90	435 17	17 15	23 40
Decatur	3	2	57	44	3	3
Detroit	50 42	5	247 77	443 53	15	20
East Paris				28 17		
Falmouth			12 75	13 14		
Fremont	6 11	6 12	210 02	94 01	5 91	5 91
Grand Haven, First	44 22		821 87	456 30	15 32	20
Grand Rapids, Third	18	5	2,000 31	487 19	12	12
Grand Rapids, Fourth		20	572 71	358		20
Grand Rapids, Fifth	7 27	14 13	1,782 15	1,048 47	14 34	35 60
Grand Rapids, Sixth	10	5	216 58	192 50	5 01	4 75
Grand Rapids, Seventh	10	3	399 73	198	12	8
Grand Rapids, Eighth	8 94		302 75	282 95	11 82	
Grand Rapids, Ninth	8	3 18	320	299 42	5	5
Grand Rapids, Knapp Ave.				13		
Grandville	18 83	4 01	365 95	241 21	12 09	13 75
Grant			32 61	11 11		
Kalamazoo, First	33 41	5	473 22	287 16	10	20
Kalamazoo, Third	13 15		311 02	217 14	10 06	10 07
Kalamazoo, Fourth	14	90	71 87	42 50	4 56	4 56
Lamont	1 60	4 50	10 78	124 65	2 39	2 39
Moddersville				12 70		
Muskegon, First	13 50		708 18	459 97		
Muskegon, Third	2	3	41	49	3	10
New Era	8	2	163 28	84 36	7 50	5 25
Plainfield			23 50	13 50	1 25	1 25
Portage	12 21	4 44	123 74	176 17	6 62	6
Rehoboth			63 82	86 33		
South Barnard			15			
South Haven						
Spring Lake	8	4 30	309 85	164 80	8 60	11
Twin Lakes	13	3 50	159	95	15	7
Fruitport Miss. Fest.			77 39	65		
Grand Rapids Mass Meet.			125			
W. M. Union			49 30			
McBain				11 30		
Totals	\$335 95	\$106 46	11,289 02	\$6,809 72	\$208 22	\$255 93
CLASSIS OF GREENE.						
Athens	\$10	\$10	\$138 90	\$106 11	\$20	
Catskill	29 34	40 76	679 63	657 23	43 99	\$20
Coxsackie, First	7 31	14 68	104 34	96 93	6 13	7 81
Coxsackie, Second	4 53	2 99	226 69	139 79	6 01	26 01
Coxsackie, Mile Point				5 50		

CLASSES.	Education.	Publication and Bible-school Work.	Foreign Missions.	Domestic Missions and Church Building Fund.	Disabled Ministers' Fund.	Widows' Fund.
CLASSIS OF GREENE. (Continued).						
Kiskatom	3	2	72 30	87 73	5	5
Leeds			36 18	17 75	3 25	4 70
Kiskatom, Bethel			12			
W. M. Union			14			
Totals	\$54 18	\$70 43	\$1,284 04	\$1,161 04	\$84 38	\$63 52
CLASSIS OF HOLLAND.						
Beaverdam	\$6	\$5 10	\$78 74	\$65 74	\$3	\$3
Cleveland, First	8 10		85 32	86 04	2 96	4 48
Cleveland, Calvary	37 95	7 59	591 49	568 52	18 98	18 97
Dunningville			24 34	102 43	2 62	2 63
East Overisel			120 62	127 85		
Ebenezer		11 07	221 67	173 29	6 05	6 65
Graafschap			77 05	219 52		
Hamilton	16 45	18 56	332 34	155 89	9 75	9 75
Harlem			20 40	38 71	3 60	
Holland, First	24 46	8 12	1,377 46	588 07	19 81	17 31
Holland, Third	41 87	10 47	1,783 73	813 63	20 93	37 53
Holland, Fourth	18	2	233 16	172 65	5	5
Hudsonville			15 95	60		
Jamestown, First	12 55	11 25	1,177 41	360 74	11 80	14
Jamestown, Second	11 37	3	669 49	239 52	13 46	9 06
North Blendon	3	2	43 96	102 15	3	4 25
North Holland	13 50	21 75	521 71	301 33	12 50	12 50
Ottawa				7 20		
Overisel	40 42		2,198 64	868 94	20 59	20 58
South Blendon	9 93	4 44	131 76	121 98	8 36	12 62
Three Oaks	2	2 50	73 80	66 80	3 60	3 60
Vriesland		8 60	329 52	395 44	7 70	10 05
Zeeland, First	15	15	938 21	793 34	20	30
Zeeland, Second		15	1,298 87	995 88	25	18
Beechwood Mission			3 30	3 30		
W. M. Union			49 30			
Pine Creek				3 10		
North Grannigen				4 25		
Colonial Miss. Fest.				100 92		
Totals	\$260 60	\$146 45	\$12,398 24	\$7,327 23	\$219 31	\$239 98
CLASSIS OF HUDSON.						
Claverack	\$30 26	\$4 87	\$179 81	\$131 41	\$10 50	\$20
Gallatin			31 25	28 68	2 79	20
Germantown	5	2	105 88	86 81	7 24	17 98
Greenport		8 58	85	127 74		
Hudson	30 25	29 05	380 87	436 78	48 40	30 25
Hudson, Hungarian	3	1	2	30 78	2	2
Linhithgo	2	2	87 06	91 91	20 13	23
Livingston Memorial	3 77		5	10		
Mellenville			75 03	415 16		
Philmont	56 51	16 14	355 72	415 16	48 43	32 28
West Copake	2 14		7 30	5 12		
Mt. Pleasant			4 97			
W. M. Union			6 66			
Totals	\$132 93	\$63 64	\$1,326 05	\$1,449 17	\$139 49	\$145 51
CLASSIS OF ILLINOIS.						
Bethany	\$43 66	\$5	\$1,121 88	\$965 52	\$20	\$40
Fairview	5	2	257 59	1,357 48	10	30
West Side, Hungarian						
Immanuel	20	10	90	7	5	5
Manito		1	14 50	10		
Northwestern			4	10 91		
Norwood Park		16 32	3	11 50		

CLASSES.	Education.	Publication and Bible-school Work.	Foreign Missions.	Domestic Missions and Church Building Fund.	Disabled Ministers' Fund.	Widows' Fund.
CLASSIS OF ILLINOIS. (Continued).						
Pennsylvania Lane			4 05	4 27		
Raritan			28	20		
Spring Lake	1		14 34	18	1	
Summit	9 21		179 30	86 39	13	
Trinity	4 80	3 83	192 16	216 75	3 84	3 83
Kensington, Italian Mission						
Blue Island			30			
Morgan Park			10			
Whiteside Co. Fest.				139 09		
Totals	\$83 67	\$38 15	\$1,948 82	\$2,846 91	\$52 84	\$78 83
CLASSIS OF IOWA.						
Alton	\$23 20	\$4	\$703 65	\$400 43	\$23 15	21 28
Alvoord	2	1 25	7 17	11 50	1 75	2 50
Archer		5	81	68	5	
Bethel		10 50			13	27 50
Leota			324 22	276		
Bigelow			10	5		
Boyd	15 20	15 20	600 27	410 58	27 32	
Britt				13 97		
Carmel	20	19 23	218 70	272 33	19 13	24 18
Chandler	8	2	106 72	107 06	5	5
Churchville			18 34	54 35	3 14	4 71
Clara City			47 25	73 89		
Doon	5 41	4 94	101 05	76 98	8 16	16 08
Edgerton	15	5 95	131 72	203 70	15	15
Free Grace, Middleburg	15	10	280 50	262		40
Friesland						
Fruitland Mesa			33 30	26 80		
Holland	48 83	20 81	1,543 46	1,907 37	34 41	50
Hospers	20	11 15	584 50	393 92	20	20
Hull	39 77	21 04	1,661 08	974 66	87 65	45 57
Inwood			44 16	45 33		
Ireton	6 75	3 15	34 22	47 54	4 85	4 61
Luctor	5 04	5 41	167 29	122 40	4 83	8 04
Maurice	87 25	23 61	678 63	525 02	26 84	31 91
Matlock		3 41	11 25	28 52	7 60	4
Melvin			17 98			
Kewkirk	45 27	5	1,422 58	871 03	48 85	20
Orange City, First	66 60	10	3,219 43	1,311 62	80 45	143 02
Pella	11 35	12 47	209 66	328 51	6 30	6 30
Prairie View	14 75	7 30	382 01	342 34	14 25	10 10
Rock Rapids	3	2 13	7 06	33 65	6 03	2 55
Rock Valley	12 20	15 35	202 89	230 42	30 28	20
Roseland	17 90	14 45	149 93	174 08	8 90	8 91
Rotterdam	7		47 83	56 25	4 69	6 35
Sanborn	17 15	7 35	41 09	139 02	9 82	7 85
Sandstore	3	3	16 84	28	3 50	3 66
Sheldon	10	10	282 50	382 50	20	10
Sibley			30			
Silver Creek	13 50	4 80	219 40	130 45	3 70	3 70
Sioux Center, First	60	29 65	3,960 25	2,690 45	70	35
Sioux Center, Central		31 76	1,003 75	624 72	57 80	
Sioux City			40 03	29 99		
Spring Creek			5 33	5 32		
Steen	24 96	9 35	68 07	74 65	10	6
Twin Brooks			10 40	11		
Volga	5	3 40	20 50	51 74	2 81	2 80
Wichita			10	8 27		
Lester			10 77	31 45		
Sandham Memorial			93 43			
Valley Spring, S. D.			10 90	37 90		
Sioux Center Valley, L. Soc.			35			
Sioux Co. Churches			991 46			
W. M. Union			19 50			
Totals	\$623 13	\$332 66	19,927 07	15,074 45	\$684 21	\$606 62

CLASSES.	Education.	Publication and Bible-school Work.	Foreign Missions.	Domestic Mis-sions and Church Building Fund.	Disabled Minis-ters' Fund.	Widows' Fund.
CLASSIS OF KINGSTON.						
Bloomington	\$13 73	\$14 70	\$101 80	\$90 92	\$8 08	\$20
The Clove	3 26	93	122 22	128 82	3 26	1 86
Gardiner	9 27	2 42	83 50	40 60	5 30	
Guilford			7	8		
Hurley	4	6	134 95	111 06	7	5
Kingston, Fair St.	16 26	4 45	390 72	297 77	8 91	8 91
Krumville	3		3	62 59		
Lyonsville	2	1	5 50	6	3	
Stone Ridge	5 74	2 66	94 42	51 02		
New Paltz	23 71	21 05	887 88	121 84		21 01
Rochester	2 50	3 97	150 62	22 53	2 50	2 50
Rosendale			13	14	2 50	2 50
Rosendale Plains			5			
St. Remy			11 50	11 50		
Marbletown, North			30 77	11 83	1 30	
Libertyville		2				
Alligerville			8			
W. M. Union			20			
Totals	\$83 47	\$59 18	\$2,069 88	\$977 88	\$41 85	\$61 78
CLASSIS NORTH LONG ISLAND.						
Jamaica	\$51 25	\$40 20	\$992 74	\$653 00	\$33 75	\$40
Newtown		18 50	37 50	99 50		
Oyster Bay	10	10	65	62 50	7 60	5
North Hempstead	20	10	85	100	10	10
Williamsburgh			152 22	83 60	7 90	
Astoria			39 84	39 53		
Flushing	40	5	1,489 93	621 60	100	20
Kent St., Brooklyn	7 26	2 45	38 11	45 41	6 95	3 62
South Bushwick	12	26 51	222 32	130	107 32	136 13
Astoria, Second	8	2	38	58	5	5
Queens	5	5	283 13	234 41	20	20
German Ev., Brooklyn		2 59	30 77	33	15	5
Sayville			43 06	32 69		33 70
Locust Valley				10		
College Point	80 98	78 64	337 30	217 81	68	55 98
Long Island City, First	5	2 50	102 18	150 69	10	25 12
Bushwick			18			
German Ev., Jamaica			13 80	10	5	20
Hicksville						
Hollis				25		
German, Newtown	5	5		5	5	5
Steinway				19 98		
Church of Jesus				50		
New Hyde Park	5 05		10 24	66 90		
Sunny Side	2	1		2	1	1
Winfield	5		12	46	5	5
German Ev., Far Rockaway		5	10	25		
Valley Stream						
Little Neck		9 26				
W. M. Union			30			
Totals	\$256 54	\$223 65	\$4,051 14	\$2,822 53	\$407 42	\$390 55
CLASSIS SOUTH LONG ISLAND.						
First Reformed, Brooklyn	\$10		\$1,079 14	\$1,228 60	\$50	\$25
Flatbush, First	52 17	\$35 58	1,619 19	1,378 62	74 35	59 20
Grace Reformed	38 90	10 25	1,342 23	224 97	50 11	54 11
New Utrecht	20	20	444 56	387 43	25	25
Gravesend, First	23 27	5	563 40	269 45	11 47	11 47
Gravesend Neck				8 75		
Flatlands	17	16 80	166 95	295 73	20	30
Flatlands Neck				54 90		
New Lots			15	15		
Forest Park			89 45	98 74	10	10
South Brooklyn		15	415	430	25	25

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CLASSIS SOUTH LONG ISLAND. (Continued).						
Twelfth Street	23 78		163 46	105 38	40 64	38 66
Bethany	10 46	7 96	106 77	60 76	2 97	
Church-on-the-Heights	34 09	11 36	1,237 90	582 15	26 23	26 22
New Brooklyn	10		40 25	25	5	5
Flatbush, Second	2		5	10	10	6
Canarsie	5	5	20	60	10	10
St. Thomas						
Ocean Hill	4	6 09	44 56	52 41	4 09	4 09
Edgewood	9		66 07	109 49	8 05	30
Ridgewood			5	23	3 50	3 50
Greenwood Heights		10	56	52	10	10
Bay Ridge	28 05		216 10	151 18	83 58	
Little Neck				37 50		
Woodlawn	25		157 10	108 25	25	
Barren Island						
Windsor Terrace						
Herkimer Street		3 48				
W. M. Union			63 52			
Cl. Conference				25		
Totals	\$305 81	\$148 52	\$7,916 65	\$5,794 31	\$494 99	\$373 25
CLASSIS OF MICHIGAN.						
Hamilton, Am. Ref.		\$6 25	\$121 64	\$98 69		
Bethany, Grand Rapids	\$20	7 14	1,350 97	576 72	\$12 50	\$12 50
Bethany, Kalamazoo	15		245 33	246 73	15	
Bethel, Grand Rapids	38 88		127 81	108 99		
Calvary, Grand Rapids	10	5	72 03	91 73	5	
Grace, Grand Rapids			433 84	266 73		
Grand Haven, Second	10	5	149 57	62 50	8	8
Grand Rapids, First	55 96	3 87	579 59	295 67	52 06	59 60
Grand Rapids, Second	76 90	13 36	1,659 92	1,286 14	40 13	40 13
Hope, Holland	41 63	25	1,422 05	580 16		24 52
Immanuel, Grand Rapids	6	15	216 83	229 76	4	4
Kalamazoo, Second	10	5	1,479 50	340 50	7 50	7 50
Knapp Ave., Grand Rapids						
Muskegon, Second	7 28		250 73	182 30	13 03	
North Park, Kalamazoo	8 57	6 42	189 46	170 03	6 42	6 42
Trinity, Holland	15 75	6 52	291 78	174 41	6 15	6 15
Trinity, Grand Rapids	10	4	199	127 50	8	8
Kalamazoo Miss. Fest.			90	60		
New Groningen			4 67			
Pine Creek			3 10			
W. M. Union			49 31			
Fruitport Miss. Fest.				50		
Totals	\$325 97	\$102 56	\$8,937 13	\$5,045 56	\$177 79	\$176 82
CLASSIS OF MONMOUTH.						
Freehold, First	\$9 41	\$8 32	\$147 08	\$83 49	\$20 36	
Colts Neck	5	6	52	71 09	15	\$10
Long Branch			14 96	35 68		
Red Bank	8	7 62	64	66	8	8
Middletown	6 97	6 90	85 39	65 21	8 71	5 62
Keyport	10	3	63	62	10	10
Asbury Park	6 18	1 05	57 92	86 64	10 86	12 85
Freehold, Second	44 25	20 72	349 93	332 23	30 33	30 33
Holmdel	3 47	3 40	73 95	70 35	10 07	4 16
W. M. Union			11 88			
Totals	\$93 28	\$57 01	\$920 11	\$872 69	\$113 33	\$80 96
CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY.						
Amsterdam, First	\$27 36	\$13 68	\$143 14	\$130 39	\$16 77	\$9 77
Amsterdam, Trinity	23 03	4 61	188 06	215 49	21 79	17 18
Auriesville		12 97				

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CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY. (Continued).						
Canajoharie	9 63	9 63	62 48	87 47	9 29	23 54
Cicero			73	51		
Columbia			3	5		
Cortland						
Cranesville			5 50	4 92		
Currytown	7 50	10 75	73 74	51 75	9	5
Ephratah		2	9 10	11 50		
Florida	12 99		94	39		5
Fonda		6	108 35	123 19	21 75	30
Fort Herkimer						
Fort Plain	20 54	9 62	142 39	134 69	22 65	10 06
Fultonville	8	8	101 36	75 90	10 50	20
Glen	5		5	26 38		
Hagaman	15 56	15 56	192 37	174 75	21 78	30
Herkimer	30 01	17 28	214 38	367 28	53 39	25 01
Interlaken	14 76		200 09	143 15	15 70	3 92
Johnstown	8	4 50	59 01	70 13	5	5
Lodi	10	5	147 18	49 63	5	5
Manheim			2	2		
Mapletown						
Mohawk			2	5 50		
Naumburg			10	10		
Owasco	3 33	2 50	9 68	39 18	3 74	20
Owasco Outlet						
St. Johnsville	6 66	6 50	115	134 85	5	3 14
Sprakers	4 62	4 23	27 65	26 95	3 23	1 85
Stone Arabia	10	2	12	90		
Syracuse, First	19 25	5 50	320	120	19 25	11
Syracuse, Second	5	8 50	75	55	5	5
Thousand Islands		2	34 80	66 50	18	
Utica, Christ Church	16 92	12	127 28	122 56	10 15	6 77
West Leyden	2	2	23	1 50	2	2
Sammonsville		3		28 73		
Totals	\$260 16	\$167 83	\$2,580 56	\$2,564 39	\$278 99	\$239 24
CLASSIS OF NEWARK.						
Belleville	\$20 22	\$24 52	\$182 23	\$136 11	\$20 22	\$20 22
Newark, First	25		195	215	25	
Irvington, Second		8 84	6 97			
Newark, New York Avenue			65 23	103 02		
Franklin, Nutley	3 53	6 93	45 18	39 65	3 45	6 57
Newark, North	83 74	20 93	3,282 22	2,376 76	224 73	224 74
Newark, West	14		20	20	6	6
Newark, Clinton Ave.	83 41	61 68	1,340 80	930 18	109 55	84 22
Newark, Trinity	1 89	5 59	64 40	65 71	1 58	2 45
Linden	3	2	52 75	63 21	2 13	2 12
Newark, Christ Church				35 73		
Brookdale	4		27 80	24 32		3 66
Orange, First	12 75		776 91	492 61	33 60	33 60
Plainfield, Trinity	34	13 40	788 56	511 82	13 60	34
Plainfield, German	1	1		20		1
Montclair Heights	10	10	385	260 85	87	82
Hyde Park	19 65	9 83	209 43	254 77	9 84	9 82
Netherwood	8 42	10 20	8 42	21 39		
Marconnier			5	5		
W. M. Union			55			
Irvington, First				25		
German, Newark				20		
Totals	\$324 61	\$174 92	\$7,510 90	\$5,621 13	\$538 70	\$510 40
CLASSIS OF NEW BRUNSWICK.						
New Brunswick, First	\$48	\$17	\$455 89	\$627 22	\$36	\$36
Six Mile Run	9 35		665 08	273 26	12 31	11 53
Hillsborough	8 14		282 87	207 81	28 82	33 49

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CLASSIS OF NEW BRUNSWICK. (Continued).						
Middlebush	4 48	4	116 33	191 32	4 25	5 83
Griggstown	9 47	9 12	174 59	96 78	20 76
New Brunswick, Second	45	25	1,174 59	658 59	37 50	37 50
Bound Brook	7 79	16 94	168	110 26	7 79	7 79
East Millstone	11 04	11 25	71 32	65 94	3 37	4 34
Metuchen	38 17	.....	523 82	314 71	22 91	20
New Brunswick, Suydam St.	31 86	12 80	943 40	442 81	53 45	63 19
Highland Park	13 44	.....	91 03	79 81	7 81	7 81
Rocky Hill .....	.....	2 50	46 42	87 86	.....	.....
Spottswood	7	5	70 58	61 86	15	10
Perth Amboy, St. Paul's	4	.....	6	22	3	2
Millstone, Hillsborough .....	.....	35 80	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pleasant View S. S. ....	.....	.....	75	.....	.....	.....
W. M. Union .....	.....	.....	28 35	.....	.....	.....
E. Somerville .....	.....	.....	.....	78	.....	.....
Totals	\$237 74	\$141 41	\$4,893 27	\$3,368 23	\$252 97	\$239 48
CLASSIS OF NEW YORK.						
New York Collegiate	\$431 12	\$200 47	25,506 22	15,263 73	\$1,489 58	\$422 40
The Marble .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. Nicholas .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
West End .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
The Middle .....	.....	11 18	.....	.....	.....	.....
North Chapel .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fort Washington .....	.....	.....	106 65	176 40	.....	.....
Thirty-fourth Street	15	15	220	225	40	40
Knox Memorial	359 75	25	479 82	390 39	10	10
Vermilye Chapel	10	.....	55	30	.....	.....
Sunshine Chapel .....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....
Harlem	54 18	15 83	732 27	1,782 78	25 50	.....
Elmendorf Chapel .....	.....	17 92	456 21	256 43	.....	23 68
Statens Island	31 95	34 15	262	332 29	2 84	30
Fordham Manor	10	7	92 63	110	21	.....
Sixty-eighth St., German	4	3	60	35	10	10
Bloomington .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Madison Avenue .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
South .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Manor Chapel	10	10	61 18	67 27	.....	.....
Brighton Heights	45 02	23 39	836 11	376 98	43 59	32 50
Zion, German Ev.	20	5	66	80	25	10
West Farnus	4 20	2 55	66 64	17 05	2 55	2 55
Huguenot Park .....	.....	.....	5	31 15	.....	.....
Mott Haven	26 62	22 07	73 93	101 25	22 34	22 35
Melrose, German	3	3	6	10	8	8
Fourth German .....	.....	20	147	10	25	25
Union of High Bridge	12 43	13	486 39	204 55	10 65	15 46
Avenue B, German .....	.....	.....	51	50	.....	.....
St. Peter's German Ev. ....	.....	.....	.....	20	.....	.....
Grace	10	.....	200	205	10	10
Hamilton Grange	19 60	24 60	445 85	267 07	17	17
Anderson Memorial	2 62	8 53	28 48	33 49	2 62	2 62
Church of the Comforter	10 02	16 42	66 77	69 08	10 02	10 02
Bethany Memorial	5	20	311	185 42	10	5
Mariner's Harbor .....	.....	9	29 16	43 09	.....	.....
Trinity of Belfast, Me. ....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Columbian Memorial, Indian .....	.....	.....	17 70	58	.....	.....
Vermilye Memorial .....	.....	.....	22 85	.....	.....	.....
McKee, Ky. ....	.....	.....	3 01	10	.....	.....
Annville, Ky. ....	.....	.....	.....	8 06	.....	.....
Gray Hawk Mission .....	.....	.....	.....	1 42	.....	.....
Winnebago, Neb., Indian .....	.....	.....	25	18 95	.....	.....
Mescalero, N. M., Indian .....	.....	.....	.....	171 23	.....	.....
White Tail Canon Chapel .....	.....	.....	10	39 20	.....	.....
Clove Road Chapel .....	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	.....
Totals	\$1,084 52	\$507 11	\$30,934 87	\$20,673 38	\$1,785 69	\$696 58

CLASSES.	Education.	Publication and Bible-school Work.	Foreign Missions.	Domestic Missions and Church Building Fund.	Disabled Ministers' Fund.	Widows' Fund.
CLASSIS OF ORANGE.						
Bloominiburgh			\$35 61	\$15 60	\$10	
Callicoon			18 50	18 50		
Claraville						
Cuddebackville			4 95			
Deer Park	\$10	\$4	572	218 55	15	\$15
Ellenville	20 25	31	165 15	164 50	54	44 50
Fallsburgh	4 93	1	19 84	18 22	3 29	3 29
Grahamsville	1	2	10	20	2	2
Kerhonkson				1 67		
Mamakating				30		
Minnisink			2 92			
Montgomery	7	6 75	235 50	52 50	8	6 75
Newburgh		2 50	367 36	125 96	18	20
New Hurley	11 67	10	41 81	111 94	7 50	7 50
New Prospect	9 77		116 53	33 88	5 63	6 09
Shawangunk	11 60	13 47	121 66	188 83	7 40	
Unionville				3 50		
Walden	8 84		66 98	108 14	6 63	4 41
Wallkill	45 36	14 54	88 08	148 38	13 50	9 08
Walpack, Lower			6 53	6 52		
Walpack, Upper						
Warwarsing			11	11		
W. M. Union			15 25			
West End						
Port Jervis, Second				99 50		
Totals	\$130 42	\$85 26	\$1,899 67	\$1,379 19	\$150 95	\$118 62
CLASSIS OF PALISADES.						
New Durham	\$40	\$75	\$1,066 50	\$621	\$25	\$25
Hoboken, First			3	20	3	2
North Bergen	22	25	265	101	25	12
Hoboken, German Ev.			76 38	116 38		20
Coytesville	2 11	2 93	35 79	61 93	4 33	7 08
Guttenburg			10	13 10		
Central Ave., Jersey City	26 45	16 73	128 08	140 81	9 73	9 73
Secaucus			4 50	15		
West Hoboken, First	12 84	10	867 30	237	13 33	12
Charles Street Chapel						
West New York, Trinity	2	2	95	125 80	2	2
Woodcliff	28 46	5 70	113 82	150 76	14 23	8 54
Weehawken				20		
W. M. Union			85			
Totals	\$133 86	\$137 36	\$2,750 37	\$1,623 68	\$97 12	\$98 35
CLASSIS OF PARAMUS.						
Acquaackanonk	\$232 52	\$29 63	\$2,433 83	\$1,639 81	\$173 17	\$143 55
Akerhia	11 80	3 46	126 50	95 16	7 08	4 72
Clarkstown			29 41	22 81		
Clifton	25 38		267 53	347 62	46 16	30
Clifton, Holland		5	74 42	52 47	5	20
Garfield			5	35 54		
Glen Rock		4 05	21 08	26 07	6 70	
Hawthorne	8	5 87	53 13	56 76	4	4
Hohokus	2	2	28 50	30 50	2	
Lodi, First Holland	27 50	5	18 60	33 25	20	20
Lodi, Second			23 35	24 30		
North Paterson		2 21	31 72	17 30		
Paramus		7 38	297 18	504 06	14 77	14 77
Pascack		1	184 18	158 07	10	10
Passaic, First Holland		5	1,030 84	305		20
Passaic, North	19 61	26 94	930 68	305 25	15 69	15 68
Paterson, Broadway	26 66		183 38	176 27	16 66	16 66
Paterson, Church of the Covenant	8 53	10 44	38 40	44 15	4 41	4 91
Paterson, First Holland	10		32 50	49 50	10	20
Paterson, Second	15	20	232 44	196 55	28	30

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CLASSIS OF PARAMUS. (Continued).						
Piermont		8	49	68 30	10	11 29
Ramapo		6 34	68 41	53 07		
Ridgewood	77 35	15	467 28	864 69	59 33	20
Saddle River	8 07		17 63	17 61		
Spring Valley	14 28		257 63	175 77	10 67	1 74
Tappan		3	133 47	120 12		
Waldwick			7	7 92		
Warwick	122	19 43	624 26	488 67	29 58	29 57
West New Hempstead		5	21 50	16 10		
Wortendyke, First Holland	11 93	11 40	94 25	33 17	4 02	4 02
Wortendyke, Trinity			66 60	21		
Upper Ridgewood Society	3	3	44 93	67 92	3	
W. M. Union			86 07			
Nyack				463 07		
Totals	\$623 63	\$199 15	\$7,980 70	\$6,517 85	\$480 24	\$420 91
CLASSIS OF PASSAIC.						
Boonton			\$82 66	\$82 35		
Fairfield	\$1 13	\$1 15	2 47	3 55	\$1 45	
Little Falls, First	37 27	7 72	213 01	252 29	27 22	\$15 51
Little Falls, Second	8	4	71 55	67 75	14	
Montville			55	51		
Mountain Lake	5	20	67 81	85		
People's Park	10		40 77	52 13	7 95	40
Pompton		8	146 51	116 03	5 29	
Pompton Plains			339 84	301 69	10	30
Ponds			15 14	10 14		
Preakness	4 08		21 59	17 83		
Riverside	5	2	48 06	78 73	5	2
Sixth Holland	8 69	8 69	1,450	307 27	7 27	7 27
Totowa, First		10	686	25		
Union Reformed	25	10	221	95	15	30
Wanaque		5		18 80		
Wyckoff	3 64	1 82	39 70	66 70	1 82	1 82
Lake View				8 41		
Totals	\$107 81	\$78 38	\$3,501 11	\$1,639 67	\$100	\$126 60
CLASSIS OF PELLA.						
Albia				\$366 50		
Bethany		\$11 22	\$70 95	186 15		
Bethel	\$5 88	6	98 97	144 80	\$6 65	\$6 82
Ebenezer	15 71	8 90	391 31	440 55	6 27	6 28
Eddyville			19 18	27 75	2 50	3 07
Galesburg			36 60	46 49		
Killduff			28 12	47 40	5 48	
Muscatine	5		42	70 42		3
New Sharon	4 75	7 80	38 24	62 59	6 16	6 16
Oskaloosa	2 91	3 33	5 92	22 58	3 54	2 80
Otley	24 31	17	391 80	614 52		20 65
Pella, First	63		1,381 80	1,464 80	52	52
Pella, Second	50	15	874	908 37	45	45
Pella, Third	20		818	615 99	7 50	7 50
Prairie City	5	2 31	51 46	89 16	4 54	
Sully	9 67	15 22	22 52	80 84	10 64	9 64
Mission Fest.			441 51	307 35		
East Prairie			100	75		
W. M. Union			43			
Pleasant Grove				25		
Totals	\$206 23	\$86 78	\$4,855 38	\$5,266 26	\$150 28	\$162 92
CLASSIS OF PHILADELPHIA.						
North and South Hampton	\$21 67		\$164 75	\$119 86	\$14 56	
Harlingen	16 91	\$7	205 74	227 40	13 98	\$33 50
Neshanic	35 13		213 47	211 82	7 79	9 75

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CLASSIS OF PHILADELPHIA. (Continued).						
Philadelphia, First	26 40	13 06	143 97	68 61	17 82	17 83
Philadelphia, Second						
Philadelphia, Fourth	35 95	9 04	314 36	256 54	10 95	9 04
Blawenburgh	9 03	2 58	83 23	103 22	9 03	5 16
Stanton			24 50	39 70		
Clover Hill	7		23 54	36 88		
Philadelphia, Fifth	15		65	31	15	20
Addisville	14 50	2 90	116 70	112	7 25	4 35
Three Bridges	3		62 63	49 77	5	5
Philadelphia, Talmage	20		204 70	103 35	20	10
Timmons ville, S. C.			2			
Florence, S. C.						
W. M Union			10 29			
Totals	\$204 59	\$35 60	\$1,634 88	\$1,361 05	\$121 38	\$114 63
CLASSIS PLEASANT PRAIRIE.						
Alexander	\$10	\$1 34	\$112 89	\$233 30	\$5	\$5
Aplington	15	7 25	345 15	413 65	35	5
Baileyville			35	136 90		
Bristow	10	1	72 20	139 08	6	6
Buffalo Center	10	5	155	363 96	10	10
Dumont	5		72 36	91 76	3 81	
Ebenezer	10	10	200	150	20	5
Elim	8	6	57	64	5	5
Fairview		1	33 54	76 81		
Forreston	50	10	268 16	285	32 72	10
Immanuel	5		105	203 75	30	30
Meservey		11	210 12	622 21	5	5
Monroe, Ia.	20			48 50		
Parkersburg	26	10	209 82	129 05	20	
Pekin, Second	10	10	48 76	50	10	10
Peoria	6	6 94	75 49	98 99	5 84	5 84
Ramsay	22 27	5	110	185 67	5	5
Silver Creek	38	5	479 53	546 49	25	20
Stout	13	7 17	226 66	618 53	7	7
Washington	10		72	173	7	3
Wellsburg	20	10	100	651	20	30
Zion	22 29	2	137 45	366	42	3
Jeffers Mission			12 42	12 43		
Kesley				6 71		
Dempster				71 66		
Britt				38 66		
Totals	\$310 56	\$108 70	\$3,138 55	\$5,798 11	\$294 37	\$164 84
CLASSIS OF POUGHKEEPSIE.						
Poughkeepsie	\$54 56	\$25 32	\$777 42	\$1,011 48	\$192 35	\$177 09
Fishkill	14 67		121 74	82 83	8 11	8 12
Hopewell	16 08	16 08	114 30	109 21	16 08	16 08
New Hackensack		9 75	57 50	53 31	10 25	1 25
Rhinebeck	5	5	186 05	120	5	5
Fishkill-on-Hudson	20		191 57	246 36	30	55 59
Hyde Park	5 25		18 42	23 15	4 91	
Glenham						
Millbrook	10 82		183 70	131 20		10
Arlington, First			5	5		
Upper Red Hook		14 89	160 64	131 42	9 25	
Poughkeepsie, Immanuel		2 82	2			
W. M. Union			25 12			
Totals	\$126 38	\$73 86	\$1,843 46	\$1,914 06	\$275 95	\$273 13
CLASSIS OF RARITAN.						
Raritan, First	\$21 59		\$654 46	\$601 87	\$31 37	\$27 60
Readington	6 68	\$5 88	123 46	121 37	9 17	14 04
Bedminster	42 81	43 91	323 12	252 65	50 45	38 20

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CLASSIS OF RARITAN. (Continued).						
Lebanon	11 39	7 17	207 24	230 41	11 40	11 40
Rockaway	10		35 70	64 70	8 50	8 50
North Branch	10 21	7 55	171 53	215 40	4 89	4 89
Raritan, Second	82 48	69 61	1,041 27	1,126 51	102 60	82 48
Peapack	2 45	2 44	60 90	73 09	8 47	4 84
South Branch	6 93	3 49	136 72	109 03	4 93	2 49
Raritan, Third	19 51	8 80	113 27	157 18	11 28	8 35
Pottersville			15 28	48 62		6
High Bridge	6	4 36	81 40	109 06	2 58	
Annandale			16 54	20 33		
Raritan, Fourth	10	5	20	24 75	5	7 50
W. M. Union			251 41			
New Center				17 30		
Finderne				35		
Totals	\$230 05	\$158 21	\$3,257 30	\$3,258 08	\$250 64	\$216 29
CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER.						
Blooming Grove	\$3 50	\$3 50	\$36 30	\$50 68	\$3	\$4
Castleton, Immanuel	5	5	80	143 68	5	20
Chatham	16	11	232 60	180 60	23 29	20
Ghent, First	1	1	102 11	61 27		
Ghent, Second	5		95 02	98 42		
Greenbush	7	5	125	120	10	5
Kinderhook	20 07		494 89	389 84	14 45	13 71
Nassau	7 80	2	113 65	128 61	9 07	
New Concord	1		5 66	4 56	2 05	2 05
Rensselaer, First	2	9 90	47 65	36	3	3
Schodack			28 69	62 91		
Schodack Landing			17 31	10		
Stuyvesant	2	1	10 04	15 09	54	60
Stuyvesant Falls			5 93	9 88	3 94	3 94
DeForestville (Blooming Grove Ch.)			16 05			
W. M. Union			21 63			
Totals	\$70 37	\$38 40	\$1,432 53	\$1,311 54	\$75 34	\$72 30
CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER.						
Classis				\$2		
Abbe	\$15	\$5	\$433 12	167 64	\$5	\$16
Arcadia	10		62 67	58 68	5	6
Brighton	8 50	2 93	138 75	146 87	6 47	6 46
Buffalo			134 71	200	5	
Clymer Hill	6 67	6 13	179 53	145 17	3 33	
Cutting						
East Williamson	22 76	2	1,064 14	211 55	11 45	11 45
Marion, First	5	8 05	192 14	45 65	6	
Marion, Second	18 15	16 94	241 81	213 50	10 37	18 15
Ontario	4 40		92 13	75 17		
Palmyra		6 15	85	115	5	5
Pultneyville	9 34	5 20	201 85	153 97		
Rochester, First			383	128 50		
Rochester, Second	15 95	2 66	238 37	264 54	7 97	7 97
Sodus		3 20	12 61	29 72		
Tyre			98 68	38 02		
Williamson	8 50	4	72 28	71 64	5 50	
Mission Fest.			241 40	150		
W. M. Union			45			
Abbe and Clymerhill						
Miss. Fest.				40 68		
Totals	\$124 27	\$62 26	\$3,917 19	\$2,258 30	\$71 09	\$71 03
CLASSIS OF SARATOGA.						
Boght	\$2	\$1	\$7 29	\$5		
Buskirk	15		50 87	55 02	\$10	\$10
Cohoes	15	6	479 05	185 05	15 92	6 92

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CLASSIS OF SARATOGA. (Continued).						
Easton			7 67	13 80	5	5
Fort Miller		2	18 65	23 83	1	1
Gansevoort		7 64	233 19	185 60	34 34	15 25
Greenwich	26 69		58 35	41 49	2 25	2 25
Northumberland	5 03		68 65	88 55	5 65	5 91
Saratoga	10	12 36	10	14		
Schaghticoke	1 77	1 62				
West Troy, North		10 10	119 60	133 25	11 90	11 90
Wynantskill			40	29 50		
W. M. Union			15			
Bacon Hill				3 45		
Totals	\$75 49	\$40 62	\$1,108 32	\$779 14	\$86 06	\$58 23
CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.						
Altamont	\$6 84	\$2 73	\$77 53	\$91 53	\$2 74	\$40
Amity, Visscher's Ferry			23 03	21		
Glenville, First			90 50	43 96		3 25
Helderberg	19 17		106 90	68 50	12 11	6 40
Lisha's Kill		6 85	59 53	74 35		20
Niskayuna	25	10 62	254 89	154 87	10	20
Princetown	5		48 37	60 09		
Rotterdam, First		9 38	149 79	113 44		
Rotterdam, Second	17 46		83 29	49 68		
Schenectady, First	13 44	11 66	313 17	174 38	11 06	11 06
Schenectady, Second			656 29	355 66	15	10 44
Schenectady, Mt. Pleasant	8 03	3	119 73	123 50	2	2
Schenectady, Bellevue	80 10		450 25	325 73	60	60
Scotia	20	5	298	209 17	20	20
Woodlawn		3 95	28 57	37 17	12 10	
W. M. Union			28			
Totals	\$195 04	\$53 19	\$2,787 84	\$1,903 03	\$145 01	\$193 15
CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE.						
Beaverdam				\$24		
Berne			\$61 33	60 32	\$7 74	\$5 36
Cobleskill	\$6 59	\$2 38	113 08	34 68	5 11	3 35
Gilboa			51			
Grand Gorge				19 59		
Howe's Cave, First	3 81	2 72	42 09	38 90	4 18	4 18
Howe's Cave, Second	6	2 44	55 88	34		
Lawyersville			48 06	67 70		
Middleburgh	12	12	89 50	66 13	8 15	7 18
North Blenheim		1	5	5		
Prattsville						
Schoharie	12 65	9 22	78 67	46	8 10	2 90
Sharon		10 19	32 04	43 50		
South Gilboa				10 05		
W. M. Union			10 10			
Totals	\$41 05	\$39 95	\$536 26	\$459 87	\$33 28	\$22 97
CLASSIS OF ULSTER.						
Blue Mountain	\$8		\$30	\$31		
Church of the Comforter	11 50	\$13	69 37	83 02	\$12 06	\$9 25
Esopus		2 10	10	25		
Flatbush		2 60	32 11	19 28		
Highwoods	2 50		11 44	14 07	2 90	2 70
Jay Gould Memorial			39 45	22 03	7 07	8 08
Kaatsban	10		12 36	20		
Kingston, First	52 69	40 38	652 24	659 83	30	30
Port Ewen	6 76	2 60	44 94	57 43	5 49	5 11
Plattekill	3 37	8 34	38 07	27 92	3 58	4 57
Saugerties	14 32	10 34	129 53	136	10	5 00

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CLASSIS ULSTER. (Continued).						
Shandaken				2 70	1 83	2 40
Shokan			5	1 68		
West Hurley	1 25		9	2 67	1 54	
Woodstock	3 80		21	34 89	5 13	
Totals	\$114 19	\$79 02	\$1,104 51	\$1,137 52	\$79 60	\$67 11
CLASSIS OF WESTCHESTER.						
Bronxville	\$63 27		\$925 08	\$507 16	\$56	
Cortlandtown	10	\$12 81	115 99	85 22	14	30
Crescent Place	5		10	15		
Greenburgh	43	17	159	165	20	20
Greenville	5 45		28 23	47 18	9 80	8
Hastings	23 02		19 98	13		
Peekskill, Hungarian			15			
Mount Vernon	27 95	4 10	482 63	263 91	37 67	35 33
Mill Square, Yonkers	5	1	21	52	2	2
Nyack	28 65		469 33		21 49	27 90
Park Hill, Yonkers	38 40	9 25	782 99	515 44	19 20	19 20
Peekskill	7 50	6 36	30 50	30 45	5	5
Scarsdale			10 45	5 25		
Tarrytown, First	108 20		787 48	429 93	125 60	86 70
Tarrytown, Second		11 65	187 31	163 65	25 02	25 02
Unionville	2 50		31	32 70	2	2
Yonkers, First			98	155 60		
W. M. Union			18 73			
Hungarian, Peekskill				10		
Totals	\$367 94	\$62 17	\$4,192 70	\$2,491 39	\$337 78	\$261 15
CLASSIS OF WISCONSIN.						
Alto	\$59 13	\$16 58	\$2,377 19	\$1,145 82	\$32 82	\$32 82
Baldwin	7	13 70	554 14	203 50		
Cedar Grove	20	10	960 24	398 20	17	25
Chicago, First	39 34	5	638 28	495 86	15 45	15 45
Chicago, West Side	17 41	8 70	151 50	177 92	7	7
Danforth		5 07	94 15	43 09	5 81	
De Motte	10 14	5 11	65 58	65 35	12 70	39 80
Ebenezer, Morrison	8 80		516 85	212 45	13 20	11 90
Englewood, First	15 11	5	612 79	352 21	18 12	18 11
Englewood, Second	7 50	11 25	320 99	219 11	10	12
Forestville	5 50		14 61	24 40	2 20	2
Franklin					10 91	10 91
Fulton, First	15 40	12 55	429	318 54		
Fulton, Second	8 15	1 95	356 26	146 02		
Friesland	24	8	279 87	134	18	20
Gano, Chicago	12 24	8	138 50	81	5	17
Gibbsville	23 05	8	1,006 12	261 04	9 04	9 05
Greenleafston	35 83	10	462 29	332 03	33 48	20 78
Hingham	10	12 90	227 34	184	16 60	
Hope, Sheboygan	8 50	3 65	94 30	107 80	2 50	2 50
Indianapolis	2	1 50	15 75	5 75	3 50	3 50
Lafayette	6 90	6 95	53 34	54 14	5 50	5 46
Emanuel				125		
Lansing	38 77	13	363 59	318	20	21
Milwaukee	46 44	9	543 63	211 91	23 97	16 48
Mount Greenwood	6 50		52 27	41 50	4 25	
Newton		4 31	93 86	100 75	2 99	2 99
Oostburg	10 52	12 83	176 51	135 32	5 91	9 76
Randolph	3	1 78	47 72	34 37	4 06	3
Roseland, First	22 98		2,436 92	673 74	89	55 17
Sheboygan Falls	8 55	4 50	76 68	50 56	4 24	4 24
South Holland	20	5	1,247 10	673 47	10	
Spring Valley, Ustick	6 21	5 84	75 14	34 14	5 43	4 40
Waupun		33 03	863 11	367 53	37 24	31 26

CLASSES.	Education.	Publication and Bible-school Work.	Foreign Missions.	Domestic Mis- sions and Church Building Fund.	Disabled Minis- ters' Fund.	Widows' Fund.
CLASSIS OF WISCONSIN. (Continued).						
Wichert	8 11	5 16	88 58	85 76		
Summit		3				
Sheboygan Co. Miss. Fest.			104 70	78 83		
Whiteside Co. Miss. Fest.			155 08			
W. M. Union			42 73			
Mission Fd. Day				100		
Chic. Miss. Com.				25		
Totals	\$507 08	\$251 36	15,736 71	\$8,018 11	\$445 92	\$401 58

PARTICULAR SYNODS.	Education.	Publication and Bible-school Work.	Foreign Missions.	Domestic Missions and Church Building Fund.	Disabled Ministers' Fund.	Widows' Fund.
CLASSES of P. S. NEW YORK.						
Hudson	\$132 93	\$63 64	\$1,326 05	\$1,449 17	\$139 49	\$145 51
Kingston	83 47	59 18	2,069 88	377 88	41 85	61 78
North Long Island	256 54	223 65	4,051 14	2,822 53	407 42	390 55
South Long Island	305 81	148 52	7,916 65	5,794 31	494 99	373 25
New York	1,084 52	507 11	30,934 87	20,673 73	1,785 69	696 58
Orange	130 42	85 26	1,899 67	1,379 19	150 95	118 62
Poughkeepsie	126 38	73 86	1,843 46	1,914 06	275 95	273 13
Westchester	367 94	62 17	4,192 70	2,491 39	337 78	261 15
Totals	\$2,488 01	\$1,223 39	\$54,234 42	\$37,501 91	\$3,634 12	\$2,320 57
CLASSES OF P. S. ALBANY.						
Albany	\$369 61	\$79 45	\$4,992 92	\$3,237 10	\$360 64	\$225 24
Greene	54 18	70 43	1,284 04	1,161 04	84 38	63 52
Montgomery	260 16	167 83	2,580 56	2,564 39	278 99	239 24
Rensselaer	70 37	38 40	1,432 53	1,311 64	75 34	72 30
Rochester	124 27	62 26	3,917 19	2,258 30	71 09	71 03
Saratoga	75 49	40 62	1,108 32	779 14	86 06	58 28
Schenectady	195 04	53 19	2,787 84	1,903 03	145 01	193 15
Schoharie	41 05	39 95	536 26	459 87	33 28	22 97
Ulster	114 19	79 02	1,104 51	1,137 52	79 60	67 11
Totals	\$1,304 36	\$631 15	\$19,744 17	\$14,811 93	\$1,214 39	\$1,012 79
CLASSES OF P. S. CHICAGO.						
Cascades	\$27 60	\$18 85	\$518 84	\$919 99	\$47 97	\$34 82
Dakota	137 93	110 81	3,476 99	2,500 24	166 90	109 14
Germania	87 83	58 04	1,121 85	1,567 89	100 34	80 17
Grand River	335 95	106 46	11,289 02	6,809 72	208 22	255 93
Holland	260 60	146 45	12,398 24	7,327 23	219 31	239 98
Illinois	83 67	38 15	1,948 82	2,846 91	52 84	78 83
Iowa	623 13	332 66	19,927 07	15,174 45	684 21	606 62
Michigan	325 97	102 56	8,937 13	5,045 56	177 79	176 82
Pella	206 23	86 78	4,855 38	5,266 26	150 28	162 92
Pleasant Prairie	310 56	108 70	3,138 55	5,788 11	294 37	164 84
Wisconsin	507 08	251 36	15,736 71	8,018 11	445 92	401 58
Totals	\$2,906 55	\$1,360 82	\$83,348 60	\$61,264 47	\$2,548 15	\$2,311 65
CLASSES OF P. S. NEW BRUNSWICK.						
Bergen	\$164 96	\$88 39	\$2,467 46	\$2,744 15	\$190	\$104 08
South Bergen	301 86	172 86	2,680 09	2,466 39	275 25	252 97
Monmouth	93 28	57 01	920 11	872 69	113 33	80 96
Newark	324 61	174 92	7,510 90	5,621 13	538 70	510 40
New Brunswick	237 74	141 41	4,893 27	3,368 23	252 97	239 48
Palisades	133 86	137 36	2,750 37	1,623 68	97 12	98 35
Paramus	623 63	199 15	7,980 70	6,517 86	480 24	420 91
Passaic	107 81	78 38	3,501 11	1,639 67	100	126 60
Philadelphia	204 59	35 60	1,634 88	1,361 65	121 38	114 63
Raritan	230 05	158 21	3,257 30	3,258 08	250 64	216 29
Totals	\$2,422 39	\$1,243 29	\$37,596 19	\$29,472 92	\$2,419 63	\$2,164 67
Grand totals	\$9,121 31	\$4,458 65	\$194,923 38	\$143,051 23	\$9,816 29	\$7,809 68

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS OF THE CLASSICAL BOARD OF BENEVOLENCE OF THE PLEASANT PRAIRIE AND GERMANIA CLASSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31 1917.

The following sums were contributed by Churches and Sunday Schools for support of the Students of the Pleasant Prairie Academy:

FROM PLEASANT PRAIRIE CLASSIS.

Meservey Sunday School	\$38 62	
Aplington Sunday School	34 79	
Forreston Sunday School	30 32	
Washington Church	30 00	
Buffalo Center Sunday School	26 00	
Silver Creek Sunday School	22 79	
Monroe, Ia., Church	22 25	
Zion Sunday School	20 00	
Baileyville Church	14 00	
Stout Sunday School	12 75	
Wellsburg Church	12 60	
Fairview Church	12 20	
Ebenezer Church	10 00	
Bristow Church	9 30	
Alexander Church	7 90	
		\$303 52

FROM GERMANIA CLASSIS.

Salem Sunday School	\$24 36	
Bethania Church	20 00	
Dempster Sunday School	15 00	
Sibley and North Sibley Church.....	10 55	
Davis Church	9 45	
Chancellor Church	6 00	
Davis Sunday School	3 00	
		\$88 30
Grand total		\$391 88

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS OF THE CLASSICAL BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE NORTH-WEST FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1917.

The following sums were contributed by the churches mentioned below for the support of young men studying at the North Western Classical Academy at Orange City, Ia., and at Hope College at Holland, Mich.:

Alton, Ia.	\$54 24
Archer Ia.	4 00
Boyden, Ia.	20 72
Carmel, Ia.	79 84
Chandler, Minn.	8 00
Holland, Neb.	43 18
Hospers, Ia.	48 19
First Hull, Ia.	103 28
Luctor, Kans.	4 00
First Maurice, Ia.	36 57
Matlock, Ia.	4 17
Maple Lake, Minn.	26 00
Middleburg, Ia.	56 48
Newkirk, Ia.	39 56
First Orange City, Ia.	133 84
Pella, Neb.	10 81
Prairie View, Kans.	9 95
Rock Valley, Ia.	10 31
Sheldon, Ia.	10 00
First Sioux Center, Ia.	158 30
Classis of Iowa	25 49
Am. Ref., Orange City, Iowa.....	10 00

\$896 93

STATEMENT OF CONTRIBUTIONS MADE BY VARIOUS
CHURCHES AND INDIVIDUALS TO THE CLASSICAL
BOARD OF BENEVOLENCE DURING THE YEAR
ENDING MARCH 27, 1917.

These sums were contributed for the support of students in
Hope College.

CLASSIS OF HOLLAND.

1st Ref. Church, Holland, Michigan	\$21 04
Ebenezer Ref. Church, Holland, Michigan.....	9 00
Ref. Church, Beaverdam, Michigan	6 76
3rd Ref. Church, Holland, Michigan.....	38 30
Calvary Ref. Church, Cleveland, Ohio.....	9 84
Trinity Ref. Church, Holland, Michigan.....	12,82
2nd Ref. Church, Zeeland, Michigan.....	30 00
2nd Ref. Church, Jamestown, Michigan.....	12 67
4th Ref. Church, Holland, Michigan	19 85
1st Ref. Church, Jamestown, Michigan.....	14 65

1st Ref. Church, Zeeland, Michigan.....	45 00
Hope Church, Holland, Michigan	6 45
Ref. Church, Overisal, Michigan	34 60
Ref. Church, North Holland, Michigan.....	26 33
Ref. Church, Vriesland, Michigan	8 75
Ref. Church, North Blendon, Michigan	4 00
Ref. Church, Hamilton, Michigan	19 15
Ref. Church, South Blendon, Michigan,	10 50
<hr/> \$329 71	

CLASSIS OF GRAND RIVER.

Classical Collection	\$12 67
8th Ref. Church, Grand Rapids, Michigan.....	14 60
1st Ref. Church, Grandville, Michigan	18 61
4th Ref. Church, Grand Rapids, Michigan.....	20 00
Ref. Church, Falmouth, Michigan	3 25
Calvary Ref. Church, Grand Rapids, Michigan..	12 50
Plainfield Ref. Church, Grand Rapids, Michigan..	5 00
Grant Ref. Church, Grant, Michigan	11 71
Coopersville Ref. Church, Coopersville, Michigan	8 00
1st Ref. Church, Portage, Michigan.....	4 50
7th Ref. Church, Grand Rapids, Michigan.....	5 00
Ref. Church, New Era, Michigan	8 00
9th Ref. Church, Grand Rapids, Michigan.....	4 00
5th Ref. Church, Grand Rapids, Michigan.....	32 52
Ref. Church, Spring Lake	14 15
1st Ref. Church, Grand Haven, Michigan	38 24
Ref. Church, Decatur, Michigan.....	4 50
<hr/> \$217 25	

CLASSIS OF MICHIGAN.

2nd Ref. Church, Grand River.....	\$10 09
Immanuel Ref. Church, Grand Rapids, Michigan..	7 91
1st Ref. Church, Grand Rapids, Michigan.....	52 06
2nd Ref. Church, Kalamazoo, Michigan.....	10 00
2nd Ref. Church, Grand Rapids, Michigan.....	38 33
2nd Ref. Church, Grand Haven, Michigan.....	10 00
2nd Ref. Church, Muskegon, Michigan	7 05
<hr/> \$135 44	

CLASSIS OF ILLINOIS.

Ref. Church, Morrison, Ill.	\$42 05
Bethany Ref. Church, Grand Rapids, Mich.....	20 00
Trinity Ref. Church, Chicago, Ill.....	2 88

Classical Collection, Classis of Illinois.....	11 27	
Ref. Church, Mt. Greenwood, Ill.....	7 25	
Bethany Ref. Church, Chicago, Ill.....	24 00	
		<hr/> \$107 45.

CLASSIS OF WISCONSIN.

2nd Ref. Church, Englewood, Ill.	\$5 75	
1st Ref. Church, Roseland, Ill.	87 52	
1st Ref. Church, Englewood, Ill.	16 00	
Ref. Church, Gibbsville, Michigan	26 12	
Classical Collection, Classis of Wisconsin	29 36	
1st Ref. Church, Fulton, Ill.	16 37	
Ref. Church, De Motte, Ind.	14 34	
Ref. Church, Waupun, Wis.	41 43	
Ref. Church, Danforth, Ill.	6 74	
Ref. Church, Gano, Ill.	9 37	
Ref. Church, Greenleafston, Minn.	34 03	
Ref. Church, Baldwin, Wis.	7 00	
Ref. Church, Milwaukee, Wis.	18 92	
Ref. Church, Hingham, Wis.	12 25	
Ref. Church, Alto, Wis.	39 40	
Ref. Church, Oostburg, Wis.	16 51	
Ref. Church, South Holland, Ill.	28 79	
1st Ref. Church, Cedar Grove, Wis.....	19 00	
Ref. Church, Friesland, Wis., Randolph Centre....	10 00	
		<hr/> \$438 90

CLASSIS OF DAKOTA.

1st Ref. Church, Lakeview, South Dakota.....	\$1 50	
		<hr/> \$1 50

MISCELLANEOUS.

Jacob Baar, Grand Rapids, Michigan.....	\$5 00	
Clymer Hill Ref. Church, New Jersey.....	2 22	
Mr. and Mrs. Waalkema, Muskegon, Michigan....	25 00	
A friend, Madison, Wis.	8 00	
Emmanuel Ref. Church, Castleton, N. Y.....	25 00	
		<hr/> \$65 22
Total Receipts	\$1,295 47	

ARTICLE XIX.

CHURCH GOVERNMENT.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE REVISION OF
THE CONSTITUTION—MAY-JUNE, 1917.

The Committee on the Revision of the Constitution has been continued to receive, consider and report on any matters unfinished in its reports of 1913 and 1916; (Minutes 1913, page 835; and Minutes 1916, page 860).

Pursuant to these actions of General Synod, and in particular to Resolution R2, on page 859 of the Minutes of 1916, the Committee presents a translation of the Constitution adopted in 1916 into the Holland language, made under the direction of the Committee; it desires to express its obligation to Prof. James F. Zwemer of the Western Theological Seminary and to his co-laborers on the committee and outside of it for their effective assiduity in preparing this draft; and to ask that it may receive consideration by a competent Synodical Committee as to its accuracy and correctness as a translation, and if found to be accurate, correct and satisfactory in a report of such committee to the Synod, that the Committee on the Revision of the Constitution be then authorized and directed to have such translation printed and issued. Friends of such translation and issue have arranged that the printing of the translation shall be done without cost to the Synod.

The Committee on Revision therefore offers the following Resolution:

(R1). Resolved, That a Committee of five to consist of three ministers and two elders all of whom shall be persons familiar and conversant with the Holland language be appointed by the President of Synod and with its approval, to read the translation of the Constitution adopted in 1916 into such Holland language, and to certify to the Synod as to its accuracy, correctness and general satisfactory character as such a translation.

(R2). Resolved, That such Committee be requested to complete its labors if possible before the close of the Synod now in session in 1917, so that the Synod may act on such report if favorable and secure issue of the translation immediately thereafter.

(R3). Resolved, That the Synod approve the appointment of Revs. M. E. Broekstra, B. Hoffman, and A. W. DeJonge, and elders G. Bolks and D. Dumez as such a Committee.

(R4). Resolved, That Messrs. Kolyn, DeJonge and Zwemer, a sub-committee of the committee on Revision of the Constitution,

be authorized and requested to sit with the committee on the Holland Version to give any assistance in their power, and on the completion of the labors, and in case a satisfactory text and version shall be agreed upon, such sub-committee shall be authorized and directed to take the necessary steps of editorial preparation of such approved text for publication.

(R5). Resolved, That the thanks of the General Synod be extended to those who have made provision for the printing and publication of the proposed Holland Version of the Constitution of 1916, and particularly to the Rev. James F. Zwemer for his personal share in drafting the text, all without expense to the Synod;

(R6). Resolved, That if the time of the duration of the meeting of 1917 of the Synod be found too short for the completion of the work of the reading and comparison of the English and the Holland Versions, and the committee on the Holland Version and the sub-committee on the Revision of the Constitution shall agree on a text which they hold to be accurate, correct and satisfactory, the sub-committee of the Committee on Revision of the Constitution be authorized and directed to take the steps of editorial preparation for publication as provided for above, with a view and expectation of a confirmation of the action in 1918, when the committee on Holland Version shall have presented their formal report.

Whereas, The General Synod of 1916 continued the Committee on Revision of the Constitution until further action by that body, (Minutes, 1916, page 860), to consider and report on desired alterations to the Constitution; and,

Whereas, An amendment to Sec. 113 was ordered sent down to the Classes for action without such contemplated consideration by the Committee on Revision and some confusion as to the intent of the amendment has been revealed by Classical overture and reply; and,

Whereas, The Board of Direction in its report to Synod recommends that the Synodical recommendation of 1916 (Minutes 1916, page 721), be reconsidered;

(R7). Resolved, That all overtures and Classical action with respect to the following resolution of the Synod of 1916 be referred to the Committee on Revision of the Constitution to consider and report at a later Synod;

(R8). Resolved, That the General Synod of 1917 reconsider the resolution No. 10, of page 721, of the minutes of 1916 which reads: "Resolved, That General Synod recommend to the Classes the following amendment to the Constitution: Amend Sec. 113 of Article IX by striking out the word 'five' and inserting in place thereof the word 'nine.'"

In lieu thereof the Committee recommends the following:

(R9). Resolved, That the Committee on Revision of the Constitution be authorized and directed to confer with the Board of Direction on the question of an Amendment to Section 113 of Article IX, which shall be in accord with the judgment of the church and the Board of Direction.

(R10). Resolved, That the Synod approve the recommendation of the Committee on Revision of Constitution that it defer recommendations as to the following matters until the meeting of the Synod in 1918; to wit:

From the Classis of Saratoga.

To amend Section 50 by inserting the word "major" before the word "fraction" so as to read: "3000 or a major fraction communicant members."

From the Classis of Orange.

To amend Section 21 to read:

The Minister as an officer in the church is a member of his Classis and amenable solely thereto; as pastor *ipso facto* he shall be a member of the Church which he serves on when without charge he may become a member of his choice *within our communion* by the regular process of dismissal; he shall not, however, be allowed to become a member of the Consistory of said church.

From the Classes of Orange and members of N. B. Classis.

To amend Section No. 21.

To add to church of his choice "within the denomination," and add a final sentence: A minister without charge shall not become a delegate to Classis from the church of his membership.

The Committee would also present for record in the minutes of Synod, the following action of the Classes with respect to the proposed amendment as to the number of persons constituting the Board of Direction. They group the returns under four heads.

1. Approved. Classis of Schoharie.

2. Disapproved, twelve, to wit: North Long Island, Poughkeepsie, Greene, Rensselaer, Ulster, Grand River, Holland, Pella, Wisconsin, So. Bergen, Newark, Philadelphia

3. Returned for correction and clarification, to wit: 9—Hudson, Kingston, Orange, Westchester, Montgomery, Rochester, Saratoga, Passaic, Raritan.

4. No action, to wit: 15—South Long Island, New York, Albany, Cascades, Dakota, Germania, Illinois, Iowa, Michigan, Pleasant Prairie, Bergen, Monmouth, New Brunswick, Palisades, Paramus.

The South Classis of Long Island presents an amendment proposing that the Board of Direction consist of eight members instead of nine.

The Classis of Palisades proposes an amendment to make the

Board of Direction consist of nine members with the provision that for a four year period, two members be elected each to serve for five years, and on the fifth year, one member be so elected. This amendment provides therefore, for the term of the members which was apparently omitted from the proposition made by the Synod of 1916.

The Committee on Revision considers that these two amendments are in effect negative votes upon the original proposition, and the Committee reports that the amendment proposed in 1916 has been lost.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERIC R. HUTTON,
Chairman Committee on Revision.

The Report was adopted.

The following resolutions were offered by F. R. Hutton, of the Committee on the Revision of Constitution:

Resolved; That the General Synod approve the preparation of a correct, accurate and satisfactory version, in the German language, of the Constitution as it was approved in 1916, with the understanding that the same can be secured without cost to the Synod.

Resolved; That Messrs. John G. Theilken, H. Potgeter and A. F. Beyer, be a Committee to prepare such German Version of the Revised Constitution, and in co-operation with Messrs. Zwemer, Kolyn and DeJonge a sub-committee of the Committee on Revision of the Constitution to do also the editorial work connected with the issue of such German Version.

The Resolutions were adopted.

ARTICLE XX.

CUSTOMS AND USAGES.

The Religious Exercises and Extra-Synodical Services were followed out, with but few exceptions, as arranged in the program, by the Committee on Correspondence and Religious Exercises:

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THURSDAY EVENING.

The Vice-President of Synod presided.

The Synodical sermon was preached by the retiring President, Rev. Peter Moerdyke, D. D.

FRIDAY MORNING.

Devotional exercises, led by Rev. C. W. Roeder.

Address by Rev. A. F. Mabon, on the subject:
"Religion the Bulwark of the Nation."

FRIDAY EVENING.

The President of Synod presided.

Public meeting in the interest of the Educational Work of the Church, under the joint control of the Board of Education and Board of Publication and Bible School Work.

Address by Rev. Ferdinand S. Wilson, President of the Board of Publication and Bible School Work. Subject: "The Religious Base."

Address by Rev. John H. Raven, Vice-President of the Board of Education. Subject: "Motives in the Ministry."

SATURDAY MORNING.

Devotional exercises, led by Rev. H. B. Roberts.

Address by Rev. J. S. Kittell, on the subject: "Our Nation's New World Consciousness."

SATURDAY EVENING.

Stereopticon lecture by Rev. Sartell Prentice, on Moab, Edom and Petra, including the only series of views in existence of the Sik at Petra. Dr. Prentice has given this lecture before the Semetic Society at Yale and at Brown University, as well as at Lake Mohonk, and before the Society of Biblical Literature and Exegesis.

SUNDAY MORNING.

Sermon by the President of Synod. Sacramental Service, conducted by the Vice-President, who read the Form for Administration.

SUNDAY EVENING.

7.30 p. m. Sermon by the Vice-President of Synod.

In response to the invitations from Asbury Park Churches the following arrangements were made for other services by the delegates of Synod:

Ballard Memorial Methodist Episcopal Church. 7.30. Rev. M. V. Oggel.

First Baptist Church. 7.30. Rev. Sartell Prentice.

St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal Church, Ocean Grove. 7.30. Rev. P. S. Leinbach.

MONDAY MORNING.

Devotional Exercises, led by Rev. J. R. Sizoo.

Address by Rev. J. R. Sizoo, on the subject: "What Our Broader Patriotism Involves."

MONDAY EVENING.

Public meeting in the interests of Foreign Missions.

Chairman: Rev. T. H. Mackenzie, Chairman, Executive Committee, Board of Foreign Missions.

Address: Rev. A. L. Warnshuis, National Evangelistic Secretary, China.

Introduction of Missionaries under appointment to proceed to Mission Fields, 1917.

Words of counsel and of farewell in behalf of the Board of Foreign Missions, Rev. Henry Evertson Cobb.

TUESDAY MORNING.

Devotional exercises, led by Rev. Benjamin Hoffman.

Address by Rev. John Lamar, on the subject: "The Effect of Christianity Upon Our National Ideals."

LADIES' DAY.

TUESDAY, JUNE 5TH.

Through the joint action of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions and the Women's Board of Domestic Missions, union missionary services were held in the morning and afternoon.

10 A. M. DOMESTIC MISSION SERVICE.

Address by Mrs. Walter C. Roe.

Address by Rev. Isaac Messler.

Addresses by other representatives of the Board.

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2 P. M. FOREIGN MISSION SERVICE.

Address by Mrs. DeWitt Knox.

Address by Miss Sara M. Couch, of Japan.

Address by Miss Leona van der Linden, of China.

The usual Women's Prayer Meetings were held on Friday, Saturday and Monday mornings.

TUESDAY EVENING.

Public meeting in the interests of Domestic Missions.

The President of Synod presided.

Address by the Rev. Irving H. Berg.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

Devotional Exercises, led by Rev. Abram Duryee.

Address by Rev. L. B. Chamberlain, on the subject: "All Nations in the One Kingdom of Our Lord."

ARTICLE XXI.

PUBLIC MORALS.

The Report of the Permanent Committee on Temperance was read. It is as follows:

The Synod's Permanent Committee on Temperance begs to submit the following report:

In seeking to meet the obligation which General Synod has placed upon this Committee, to increase and to make more effective the undoubted sentiment of our church against the liquor traffic with its accompanying moral evils, the Committee has found itself facing two possible methods of procedure.

The first of these alternatives is gradually to build up a temperance organization within the denomination which shall be more or less self-sufficient, after the manner exemplified so successfully by the Board of Temperance of the Northern Presbyterian Church.

Such a complete organization would conduct its temperance propaganda under the leadership of a permanent paid secretary giving all his time to the work, would publish its own literature, and would organize and manage anti-saloon campaigns in sections where our church is strong in membership and influence.

To such an interesting and ambitious undertaking, three practical objections at once present themselves. Our denomination is small and our resources necessarily limited. We stand already committed to tremendous obligations in other fields of Christian endeavor which demand increasing financial support from our churches, and which in honor we can not neglect. The committee necessarily hesitates to advocate a program which will require an elaborate organization and an extensive campaign for funds to make this organization properly effective.

The second objection develops from the present status of the temperance reform in this country. We are in the very hour of complete and final victory. Modern medical science, modern sociology, the efficiency campaigns of our industrial world, and especially the insistent demands of war conditions, have allied themselves in an Entente Cordiale with the moral forces of the nation in an overwhelming condemnation of strong drink. The time for temperance education is past. The nation is already educated. It is the time to strike, and strike at once for conclusive victory. To build up within our church a complicated temperance organization is a waste of time and money. We should not be ready to work until the necessity for our work is gloriously past.

The third objection to planning a distinctly denominational temperance propaganda lies in the fact that our church has always believed in the principle of co-operation with sister denominations when such co-operation is possible we have never sought to build up our own institutions at the expense of the larger effectiveness of an interdenominational organization. We glory in the fact that the Reformed Church in Japan and Amoy and South India has led the way in the federation of Christian work on the mission field. The Committee believes that this principle of co-operative effort so nobly practised by our church in other phases of Christian activity should be the rule by which we should act in our temperance work, if it be in any way possible.

Fortunately, there is the better way open to us, the way of co-operation with temperance organizations already in brilliantly successful operation. The Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America has a Committee on Temperance composed of the wisest and most experienced temperance workers in the country. It has built up a splendid machinery for manufacturing temperance sentiment. We can do no better as a denomination, your Commit-

tee believes, than to accept its recommendations and employ its methods in spreading the gospel of total abstinence for individuals.

But the campaign for voluntary abstinence of the individual from intoxicating liquors is only a part of the necessary temperance activity which our churches should assume. Effective temperance reform requires legislative action to re-enforce moral suasion. The man of weakened will must be protected by the strong arm of the state from unfair temptation. There is need for legislation against the manufacture and sale of liquor. In the field of legislative activity against strong drink a most successful temperance agency is already in the field. The Anti-Saloon League of America representing the Christian Churches of the land in its board of directors, supported by the contributions of individual Christian congregations, offers an effective weapon for political action immeasurably superior to any strictly denominational committee. Your Committee believes that our churches can best exert the needed political pressure to secure legislative action against the evils of intemperance by hearty and generous support of the Anti-Saloon League.

What then appears to be the proper function of your committee on Temperance? It is, we believe, to co-ordinate the temperance sentiment of our denomination as closely as may be with the educational work of the Committee on Temperance of the Federal Council, and with the political work of the Anti-Saloon League.

To put the Synod on record to this end, we beg to introduce the following resolutions:

I. Be it, Resolved, That General Synod instruct the Permanent Committee on Temperance to co-operate in the most intimate manner possible with the Committee on Temperance of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, and urge the individual churches to carry out the suggestions which the Committee of the Federal Council may from time to time formulate.

II. Resolved, That General Synod recognize the Anti-Saloon League of America as a most effective force working in behalf of the Christian Churches for national prohibition by legislative action, and urge the individual churches to support the League by opening their pulpits to its representatives, and by the appointment of local committees to co-operate in its political activities.

III. Resolved, That General Synod respectfully request the Congress and President of the United States, in view of the present war needs, to enact at once legislation establishing nation-wide prohibition of the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors. And be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution signed by the Presi-

dent and Stated Clerk of General Synod be forwarded to the President and the houses of Congress.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT.

At a meeting of the Committee held June first, Rev. A. DeWitt Mason, D. D., was elected chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year, and the following resolution adopted for presentation to Synod:

Resolved, That General Synod authorize the Permanent Committee on Temperance to circularize the churches for funds with which to meet the expenses of its work to an amount not to exceed one dollar per church.

GEO. D. HULST,
A. DEWITT MASON,
JOHN LAMAR,
JAMES M. MARTIN,
H. P. SCHNEEWEISS.

The Report was received and the following resolutions were offered:

RESOLUTIONS OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

1. Resolved, That General Synod instruct the Permanent Committee on Temperance to co-operate in the most intimate manner possible, with the Committee on Temperance of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, and urge the individual churches to carry out the suggestions which the Committee of the Federal Council may from time to time formulate.

2. Resolved, That General Synod recognize the Anti-Saloon League of America as a most effective force working in behalf of the Christian Churches, for national prohibition by legislative action, and urge the individual churches to support the League by opening its pulpits to its representatives, and by the appointment of local committees to co-operate in its political activities.

3. That the General Synod respectfully request the President and Congress of the United States in view of the present war needs, to enact at once legislation establishing nation-wide prohibition of the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors; and be it also resolved that a copy of this resolution signed by the President and Stated Clerk of General Synod, be forwarded to the President and the two Houses of Congress.

4. Resolved, That General Synod authorize Permanent Committee on Temperance to circularize the churches for funds with which to meet the expenses of its work, to amount not to exceed \$1.00 per church.

The Resolutions were adopted.

ARTICLE XXII.

STATE OF RELIGION AND STATISTICAL TABLES.

The Report on State of Religion was read by the Retiring President Rev. Peter Moerdyke.

The Report was received and adopted and Synod was led in a song service of Thanksgiving by Elder Nykerk, and Rev. Peter H. Milliken led in prayer.

REPORT OF THE STATE OF RELIGION OF THE GENERAL SYNOD R. C. A.

The perfect, model report on the State of Religion is that of the glorified Head of the Church upon the spiritual condition of the seven churches of Asia Minor. At His dictation it was to be written by John on Patmos, and to be sent as the Saviour's message to each of these seven churches. That report proceeds from the knowledge of Him who addresses every church with the prelude, "I know Thy works," and He who "searcheth the reins and hearts" as "the true and faithful witness" declares, I know in all these seven fields, and I appreciate and commend your faith, love, piety, toil, tribulation, patience and courage. Our Lord in these reports, hates and commends discipline for all heresy, false teachings and sins, that are not promptly removed. He demands a holy separation from the world for His Church, which he bought with His own blood. And I know also the things I have against you, and point out with disapproval and loving warning your decline, your lukewarmness, your deadness.

It is noteworthy how this faithful report by the Lord Himself, discriminately allows for the hardness of the field and the strong opposition, and assures the churches and us, "I know where thou dwellest." I realize your peculiar local difficulties and your struggles and handicaps by reason of weakness of numbers and of poverty. And there runs throughout this review and analysis of their religious condition, the consoling and aspiring assurance, "I love

you." Yet Jesus, mark it well, calls six of these seven churches to repent, and to repent quickly.

It is noteworthy that the exalted Lord makes no reference to statistical returns in this report. He reads the figures "which the Lord shall count when He writeth up the people, that this and that man was born in Zion," and to all He addresses the appeal to "overcome." Our exalted Saviour insists on the true and abundant spiritual life of the Churches as the secret and power that master all evils and obstacles.

A marked feature of the Lord's own report is that it is to be conveyed to each church as His urgent message. Our Classical and Synodical Reports should, as far as possible, pattern after these principles and aims of His, in all these features, and should then be read with solemnity to and by every congregation.

In the earliest day of Christianity a couple of rough statistical estimates were made, and of that first Pentecostal ingathering it is suggestively reported that there were added about three thousand souls. "Souls," "Souls saved," "Souls, not mere names," were added. Soon after, the New Testament ignores all statistical figures, and the exhibit of the real state of the churches was not in numbers—but in soundness, in Christ-likeness, in power, and in the conquest of the Nations.

In order to prepare for any denomination a report worthy to command attention and to serve as a Spiritual message, the annual reporter should enjoy a personal visit and searching survey of the whole field. The Church that commissions and invites such a visitor to inspect and study every part of the field and to hold fellowship and convey timely messages to representative gatherings, that Church may approve a report, based upon correct, fresh, vital materials and insight, rather than on cold print and figures; and such a conspectus and message would give help and new impetus to the church's work. But now nearly every report to the Particular Synods and to the General Synod refers to this vagueness of impressions made by the usual returns. This is not remedied when unhappily so many charges send "statistics only" or "no remarks."

Quite probably there are found within the bounds of our church as well as in other ecclesiastical bodies, diverse standards and terms of admission of members, and diverse modes of operating our confessional and administrative system, and decidedly diverse types of personal piety and of congregational spirituality and power.

It is highly gratifying to note, that the year has proven more than usually evangelistic. The judicious and stirring appeal of Synod's Evangelistic Committee was an incentive to more aggressive and persuasive soul-winning as the fruits of such efforts prove; manifestly arousing voices were heard, as appeared in the report

in behalf of a burning zeal to save the people living in unbelief and unconcern.

A desire was also expressed in an eastern Synod for a return to the essential basis of a healthy church-life and growth in the catechizing of the young; a holy insistence upon this fundamental educational work of religion should characterize all Reformed Churches. Decay in that line of work will blight nearly all other ministries of the churches. Another appeal nobly pleads for Family Religion. As the families are, so shall the churches be. To be true to the Biblical ideals of the Reformed Church implies a religious home life wherein the Word of God and the family altar are an unfailing and transforming power in the saving and sanctifying of the household. And the more earnestly must our church inculcate this home ideal, since the increase or decrease of ministers will invariably correspond to the maintenance or decline of such family worship and instruction. I was told by a Canadian minister, that a great denomination of Canada receives its supply of ministers largely from the Province in which all homes are so positively consecrated and loyal to Christ and His church.

The inadequate patronage of our religious papers is deplored, and an Eastern Synod very wisely urges general effort to interest, enlighten, and bless all the homes of our church by the introduction of these informing journals. Our people should be familiar with our current church history, its needs, operations, enterprises and opportunities.

A lament also arises, and very warrantably, that in an Eastern Synod so many rural charges are unshepherded. This trying problem should somehow be solved. Decay and death menace these churches unless provision for pastoral care can be devised. We venture upon no suggestion since we are not acquainted with the difficulties of the situation; yet may not more and longer use be made in this emergency of many ministers without charge? There must be quite a percentage of even the retired ministers, who would gladly respond to respectful and fair overtures for their help in this time of sore need. Why should so much treasure of knowledge, ripe experience, seasoned godliness and power, be wasted by permitting or compelling men so often then at their best, to remain idle? Let there be no such egregious folly in Israel. This leads to the warmest commendation of many churches, that last year increased the salaries of their pastors. A Classical report puts it strongly and bravely, and most truthfully, that at present the high cost of living falls hardest on the ministers of the gospel. May the eyes of all churches be opened to this need, and to this privilege of cheering and inspiring the men of God for their labors, freed from carking worldly cares, according to their call.

There is another advance that call for praise, to wit; the growing number of churches that support a missionary abroad. What a blessing to them and to the grand cause, to hold themselves responsible for the support of their own missionaries. Let this plan spread and prevail.

And vitally linked, with the foregoing items of progress, is the improving financial system of so many churches by the adoption of the EVERY MEMBER CANVASS, and DUPLEX ENVELOPE SYSTEM. Good business management, consecrated to the Lord's cause gives new impetus to normal religion.

Yes, there are gains and advancing steps that gladden our hearts, and it is well to remember that "one soweth and another reapeth." Let the servant and the church, that toiled all the year faithfully without encouraging visible fruits, be cheered by the prospect of a harvest from their sowing, even if reaped by other hands. But let us beware of applauding the specious reports of the surprising successes of new men who, in all justice, should credit faithful forerunners with the sowing and tilling done up to the harvest time.

Besides there are diversity of gifts, and they who build up as well as those who are not gifted to edify but to persuade and gather in, are equally acceptable to our Lord.

Decidedly pleasing is the surprise to find, that the benevolences of the church have markedly increased, and that the unusually large contributions for relief of European sufferers have not diminished but rather enlarged our loyal liberality toward our own denominational enterprises.

Whilst avoiding all odious comparisons and invidious distinctions, this report is constrained to call attention to the significant fact that in the past year the churches of the Chicago Synod contributed only \$36,000 less than one-half of the aggregate of the entire Church's contributions for denominational objects. Surely a commendable manifestation of devout and ardent loyalty, zeal, and sacrifice; hence, also our operations at home and abroad in education and missions are well maintained, as the various reports of the schools and Boards will show.

The Lord be praised for His grace given to us, and may the Holy Spirit endue us more plentifully for the arduous work awaiting us in this time of "the distress of nations."

We recommend what our Lord addressed to the seven churches of Asia to our more than 700 churches for serious study, reflection and guidance, and close with His solemn refrain, "He that hath ears to hear let him hear what the Spirit saith to the churches."

Respectfully submitted,

P. MOERDYKE.

STATISTICAL TABLES.

Abbreviations.

- A. P.—Assistant Pastor.
- C. and R. E.—Correspondence and Religious Exercises.
- D. M.—Domestic Missions.
- D. M. F.—Disabled Ministers' Fund.
- E.—Education.
- F. M.—Foreign Missions.
- Jr. P.—Junior Pastor.
- N. B. S.—New Brunswick Theological Seminary.
- P. and B. S. W.—Publication and Bible-School Work.
- P. E.—Pastor Elect.
- P. Em.—Pastor Emeritus.
- P. S. A.—Particular Synod of Albany.
- P. S. C.—Particular Synod of Chicago.
- P. S. N. B.—Particular Synod of New Brunswick.
- P. S. N. Y.—Particular Synod of New York
- S. B.—Systematic Beneficence.
- S. C.—Stated Clerk.
- S. M.—Senior Minister.
- S. S.—Stated Supply.
- Tem.—Temperance.
- Treas.—Treasurer.
- W. F.—Widows' Fund.
- W. I. M.—Winnebago Indian Mission.
- W. T. S.—Western Theological Seminary.

CLASSIS OF ALBANY.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.							BAP.		C. C. & S. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.			
		Census— Number of Families	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized Non- Communicants	Catechumens.	Number of Sunday Schools	Total Enrollment.		Benevolent		Congregational.
																		Denomina- tional Objects.	Other Objects.	
First, Albany	James S. Kittell	372	17	9	5	9	4	687	18	18	4	3	3	1	1	575	\$3,375	\$1,800	\$10,895	54 Elk St., Albany, N. Y.
Madison Ave., Albany	J. Addison Jones	329	13	9	17	3	5	560	...	...	5	1	1	2	2	398	6,639	1,113	10,887	315 Madison Av., Albany.
Third, Albany	Burton J. Hotaling	155	26	24	3	3	5	290	62	120	20	2	34	7	337	151	37	8,041	18 Ten Eyck Av., Albany.	
Fourth, Albany	Frederick Mueller	76	8	...	3	...	3	162	10	10	6	1	50	...	...	90	288	50	3,200	84 Schuyler St., Albany.
Fifth, Albany	Vacant	89	8	...	9	...	6	190	...	...	11	...	...	60	1	140	87	17	2,549	...
Sixth, Albany	Frank Fenton Blessing	115	22	31	10	...	2	225	20	26	14	10	...	...	...	235	467	35	2,958	170 N. Allen St., Albany.
First, Bethlehem	H. S. Van Woert	118	12	2	2	...	4	201	165	84	11	5	79	...	...	330	413	94	2,214	Selkirk N. Y.
Second, Berne	Supplied	56	...	...	...	...	...	60	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	45	...	...	...	Knox, N. Y.
Clarksville	John E. Stoketee	35	...	1	...	...	1	44	14	34	...	...	...	...	...	35	21	5	428	Voorheesville, N. Y., R. 3.
Coeymans	Henry T. Jones	67	...	1	2	...	...	120	...	68	1	...	...	...	...	55	98	...	1,850	Coeymans, N. Y.
Delmar	Jacob Van Ess	121	19	16	6	...	4	219	25	100	10	5	...	25	1	206	269	22	2,571	Delmar, N. Y.
Jerusalem	Joseph Millet	58	...	1	1	...	...	107	...	24	3	...	8	14	1	70	105	21	1,469	Feura Bush, N. Y.
Knox	Supplied	19	...	...	...	...	...	33	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Knox, N. Y.
New Baltimore	Howard Kanter	61	4	2	...	...	5	102	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	50	...	...	2,435	New Baltimore, N. Y.
New Salem	John B. Stoketee	43	10	...	4	...	6	60	35	78	...	6	6	...	...	32	61	16	1,010	Voorheesville, N. Y., R. 3.
Onesquethaw	Joseph Millet	32	...	3	...	...	3	38	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	46	10	...	471	Feura Bush, N. Y.
Union	Jacob Van Ess, S. S.	52	9	4	1	...	2	57	20	21	...	4	7	...	...	86	16	2	875	Delmar, N. Y.
Westerlo	Donald Boyce	49	7	1	1	...	1	66	35	20	5	7	7	...	2	81	51	...	911	Westerlo, N. Y.
Total		1829	155	101	67	...	51	3221	336	608	90	44	134	106	23	2951	\$12,051	\$3,212	\$52,716	

Other Ministers—J. P. Bryant, Schenectady, N. Y.; F. V. W. Lehman, Delmar, N. Y.; E. W. Miller, 25 E. 22d St.; Chas. Maar, Albany, N. Y.
 Classical Agents—F. M., J. A. Jones; D. M., J. S. Kittell; E., J. Van Ess; D. M. F. and W. F., F. F. Blessing; P. and B. S. W., J. B. Stoketee.
 Stated Clerk and Treasurer—B. J. Hotaling, 18 Ten Eyck Ave., Albany, N. Y.

*Last year's report.

SOUTH CLASSIS OF BERGEN.—P. S. N. B.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.										Others En-rolled.	BAP.	C. C. & S. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.			
		Census—Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total row in Communion.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Infants.			Adults.	No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	Catechumens.	Number of Sunday Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Denomina-tional Objects.		Benevolent.	Congregational.	
																			Other Objects.				Total
Bergen, Jersey City	Cornelius Brett	395	16	12	17	8	691	380	9	7	.....	50	2	.....	407	\$1,982	\$508	\$12,241	737 Bergen Ave., J. City		
First, Bayonne	Abram Duryee, Asst.	378	13	5	10	3	450	130	4	5	.....	1	.....	.....	550	838	410	*11,133	24 Highland Ave., J. C.	
First, Van Vorst, J. City	W. Reese Hart	110	7	1	9	1	206	23	200	6	.....	5	.....	.....	135	323	75	3,415	307 Montgomery St., J. C.	
Park, Jersey City	Vacant	65	6	1	17	3	106	25	42	10	.....	10	.....	.....	172	.....	.....	2,470	.....			
Fifth, Street, Bayonne	Ferdinand S. Wilson.	204	68	11	9	333	300	300	66	12	.....	1	.....	.....	406	1,087	476	5,725	111 W. 5th St., Bayonne	
and Hudson, Jersey City	August F. Bender.	300	50	4	1	29	475	300	151	10	.....	1	.....	.....	682	1,231	268	12,812	14 Sherman Place, J. C.	
La Fayette, Jersey City	Harry W. Noble.	278	58	6	9	5	253	55	180	26	.....	12	.....	.....	397	923	205	6,339	278 Pacific Ave., J. City.	
Greenville, Jersey City	E. M. Duck.	131	66	7	4	230	74	41	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	278	163	180	6,339	177 Winfield Ave., J. C.
Third, Bayonne	Hubert L. Franzen.	90	7	1	.....	4	130	25	10	10	.....	25	4	1	80	36	50	1,425	15 W. 25th St., Bayonne.		
Lat. German Eyan, J. C.	George C. Mueller.	106	21	.....	.....	5	212	70	63	11	.....	104	7	1	90	106	40	2,337	349 York St., Jersey City.	
St. John's, German, J. C.	Gottlieb Ambreane	165	42	3	7	15	460	150	240	47	.....	160	30	3	455	40	360	3,400	48 Fairview Ave., J. City.			
Faith, Jersey City	James Boyd Hunter.	89	41	7	3	163	45	32	17	8	.....	61	15	1	346	466	21	2,126	228 Wegman Parkway, J. C.			
West Side, Jersey City	Martin F. Luther.	41	.....	1	.....	1	68	10	10	.....	.....	10	.....	.....	154	.....	.....	1,396	3543 Boulevard, Jer. City.
Total		3412	335	56	88	74	3837	777	1414	307	50	529	144	17	4032	\$6,087	\$2,553	\$71,592					

Other Ministers—Theodore F. Bayles, 25 E. 22d St., New York; John H. Blue, Jersey City, N. J.; A. A. Pfanstiel, Bayonne, N. J.
 Classical Agents—F. M., C. Brett; E., A. Duryee; P. & B. S. W., E. M. Duck; D. M. F. and W. F., Elder H. Kern.
 Stated Clerk and Treasurer—James Boyd Hunter, 228 Wegman Parkway, Jersey City.
 *\$3,000 by maturing of B. & L. shares.

CLASSIS OF DAKOTA.—P. S. C.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.										Others En-rolled.	BAP.		C. C. & S. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.
		Census—Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Infants.		Adults.	No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	Catechumens.	No. of Sunday Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent.		Congregational.	
																		Other Objects.	Denominational Objects.		
Aurora	Classical Missionary	24	2	8	4	4	1	47	35	1	1	1	71	42	1	42	\$231	\$160	\$249 P. Donker, Ck., Stickney.		
Castlewood	W. Denekas, S. S.	35	2	2	2	2	1	67	12	1	1	2	80	1	1	90	357	1100	Dempster, S. D.		
Charles Mix	Vacant	24	13	16	3	1	1	43	9	5	3	1	65	30	1	30	262	486	K. F. Wynia, C., Platte.		
Corsica	H. M. Petersen.	36	13	3	3	4	1	75	20	4	1	1	89	47	1	49	83	150	1119 Corsica, S. D.		
Grand View	L. H. Beher.	29	3	3	13	3	2	56	20	1	1	1	90	75	1	66	71	1089	Armour, S. D.		
Harrison	J. De Beer.	69	5	3	3	3	2	121	15	4	12	1	190	75	1	115	84	1817	Harrison, S. D.		
Hull, American Ref.	A. A. DuBois.	16	1	2	6	1	2	20	15	4	1	1	23	10	1	25	41	780	Hull, Iowa.		
Lake View	Classical Missionary	9	3	4	3	1	1	21	22	1	8	1	108	45	1	95	29	97	S. Schryvers, C., L. Vw.		
Litchville	H. Van der Ploeg.	38	3	1	3	1	1	62	71	9	1	1	71	36	1	99	416	1225	Litchville, N. D.		
Maurice, American Ref.	Wm. H. Dickers.	26	7	6	1	1	1	44	7	1	10	2	126	74	1	136	747	103	1373	Maurice, Iowa.	
Monroe, Sandham Mem.	John A. Roggen.	41	6	11	2	1	1	78	4	4	1	1	68	32	1	95	406	78	1880	Marion, N. D.	
North Marion	J. W. Brink.	34	6	11	1	1	1	73	4	4	11	1	85	132	1	255	1528	458	3088	Orange City, Ia.	
Orange City, Amer. Ref.	David McDwen.	97	27	10	5	1	1	273	35	20	12	1	460	103	1	122	509	413	5270	Springfield, S. D.	
Springfield	John H. Tietema.	76	8	6	12	1	1	140	12	6	8	2	11	1	1	14	30	8	2194	Strasburg, N. D.	
Strasburg	Chas. A. Hoekemink, Ck.	16	1	2	9	1	1	35	26	4	13	2	30	1	1	13	8	519	729	G. G. Ieth, Ck., Tyndall	
Tyndall	Classical Missionary	80	13	3	6	1	4	131	26	4	13	2	180	70	1	150	869	1445	Westfield, N. D.		
Westfield	G. Menning	16	1	3	6	1	1	4	131	26	4	13	2	180	70	1	150	869	1445	Westfield, N. D.	
Total		634	101	82	69	17	17	11387	276	62	107	10	1457	763	17	1438	\$6,610	\$6,249	\$24,614		

Other Ministers—S. J. Harmeling, Emeritus, Vashon, Wash.; J. C. Van Wyk, Foreign Missionary; B. D. Dykstra, Classical Missionary, Platte, S. D.
 Classical Agents—D. M., D. McEwan; F. M., G. Menning; E., B. D. Dykstra; D. M. F. and W. F., Elder P. J. De Kruif, Orange City; P. and B. S. W., J. H. Tietema; Teun., Elder P. Van Peursem, Maurice, Iowa.
 Stated Clerk and Treasurer—B. D. Dykstra, Platte, S. D.
 Classical Missionary—B. D. Dykstra.

CLASSIS OF GERMANIA.—P. S. C.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.						Others En-rolled.	BAP.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.			C. C. & S. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.
		Number of Families.							Infants.	Adults.	Catechumens.	No. of Sunday Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent.		Other Objects.				
		Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.							Denomina-tional Objects.	Other Objects.					
		Census—																		
		Number of Families.																		
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Other Ministers—Rev. George Kramer, Classical Missionary, Sibley, Iowa; Rev. L. Ziegler, Pastor Emeritus, Spencer, S. D.

Classical Agents—F. M., G. Kramer; D. M., E. F. Koerlin; E., W. Denekas; P. and B. S. W., E. Acilts.

Statistical Clerk and Treasurer—H. Huenemann, Lennox, S. D.

CLASSIS OF GRAND RIVER.—P. S. C.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.										BAP.		C. C. & S. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.		P. O. ADDRESS.			
		Census— Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Others En- rolled.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized Non- Communicants.	Catechumens.	No. of Sunday Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Denomina- tional Objects.		Other Objects.	Congregational.	
																		Benevolent.				
Ada	Robt. W. Douma. S.S.	24	4	4	3	1	36	6	6	4	4	69	30	1	75	\$69	\$386	Ada, Mich.	
Atwood	John Webinga	47	7	7	1	3	78	45	10	1	2	116	60	1	50	192	817	Central Lake, Mich.	
Beverly	A. J. Van der Heuvel	22	6	6	7	2	45	20	3	3	10	12	36	62	1	70	193	G. Rapids, Mich.
Byron Center	Oliver G. Droppers	59	6	19	9	2	90	18	25	10	18	135	60	1	100	236	20	1,548	Byron Center, Mich.			
Coopersville	Abraham De Young	130	6	19	9	1	283	25	10	7	9	222	163	1	300	1,561	35	2,063	Coopersville, Mich.			
Decatur	Albert Oosterhof	34	4	4	5	1	60	15	7	7	1	13	85	1	130	977	107	770	Decatur, Mich.			
Detroit	John Bovenkerk	96	27	24	2	5	217	24	4	4	13	2	213	85	1	150	284	107	7,549	229 Catherine St., Detr't		
East Paris	Vacant	16	4	4	1	1	28	4	4	4	3	30	35	1	20	33	256	G. Rapids, Mich.	
Falmouth	Vacant	18	2	4	1	1	26	14	3	3	1	112	25	1	132	523	45	2,302	Falmouth, Mich.			
Fremont	Henry Harmeling	69	15	3	1	1	132	30	6	6	2	150	165	1	404	1,548	150	5,773	309 Wash'n St. G. Ha'n			
Grand Haven, First	Albert van den Berg	237	49	5	3	10	436	80	6	6	14	1	951	230	1	338	2,871	266	5,282	1009 Herm'ge St. G. R.		
Grand Rapids, Third	Harke Frieling	216	18	12	10	17	325	28	5	5	1	351	150	1	300	972	214	5,374	1037 Ionia Av. G. Rapids			
Grand Rapids, Fourth	Stebe C. Nettinga	233	12	10	6	18	371	14	12	12	8	353	212	1	338	2,999	336	8,772	535 Church Pl. G. Rapids			
Grand Rapids, Fifth	Vacant	227	12	10	21	1	457	11	17	17	3	485	246	1	352	366	41	1,834	
Grand Rapids, Sixth	Albert W. De Jonge	273	38	17	13	5	538	12	7	7	29	2	546	300	1	320	800	187	5,365	1135 Jennette Av. G. R.		
Grand Rapids, Seventh	M. D. Van der Meer	260	10	14	19	19	440	30	55	15	4	456	210	1	252	908	156	4,707	821 Burton St. G. Rapids			
Grand Rapids, Eighth	John Van der Meer	164	10	14	12	4	310	55	16	16	18	4	485	100	1	240	738	101	2,971	909 Watson St. G. Rapids		
Grand Rapids, Ninth	Jacob G. Brouwer	103	57	15	15	7	429	8	4	4	13	4	172	140	1	190	660	124	2,180	Grandville, Mich.		
Grandville	Vacant	15	2	2	5	297	10	1	46	11	25	96	220	Grant, Mich.		

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Kalamazoo, First	John Steunenbergh	190	9	13	9	10	400	35	5	9	9	300	175	1	400	\$1,136	\$237	\$4,563 323 Cedar St., Kalamazoo.	
Kalamazoo, Third	Vacant	174	22	8	10	5	307	40	4	17	12	425	300	1	350	503	264	2,608 Ch., 628 Elizabeth St., K.	
Kalamazoo, Fourth	John H. Kregel	132	8	19	6	3	242	45	15	15	250	192	1	150	230	190	2,093 128 Dutton St., Kalama'o.		
Lamont	Vacant	15	1	...	2	...	28	6	...	26	141	...	196 Lamont, Mich.	
Moddersville	Vacant	10	22	...	2	7	...	37	35	13	...	77 Moddersville, Mich.	
Muskegon, First	John Luxen	225	41	6	3	4	350	24	1	750	200	3	500	1,223	186	5,917 106 Spring St., Muskegon.	
Muskegon, Third	John Broek	67	3	4	...	1	64	4	...	8	203	49	1	114	127	181	1,021 Muskegon, Mich.		
New Era	Klaas J. Dykema	67	13	4	3	3	135	...	...	10	218	62	1	152	212	51	1,110 New Era, Mich.
Plainfield	Vacant	14	...	...	...	...	16	4	4	1	44	...	1	47	69	5	221 G. Rapids, Mich. R. 9.
Portage	William S. Grays	52	3	6	3	3	90	16	1	5	154	70	1	98	322	28	1,158 Portage, Mich.		
Rehoboth	Vacant	43	1	1	3	3	75	20	...	9	...	30	1	60	147	70	350 Lucas, Mich.		
South Barnard	Vacant	17	...	...	...	...	20	23	...	3	...	...	...	...	40	...	208 South Barnard, Mich.
South Haven	Vacant	15	2	4	1	1	12	4	4	3	1	26	...	1	24	80	...	230 South Haven, Mich.	
Spring Lake	Henry Mollema	99	21	4	2	1	187	15	...	6	275	85	1	170	554	53	1,648 Spring Lake, Mich.		
Twin Lakes	Vacant	31	8	3	1	2	59	12	...	4	1	61	40	1	120	304	127	683 Cooper Twp., Kal'zoo Co.	
Total		3106	446	249	193	9	126	5945	573	110	328	30	7151	3445	35	5925	\$21,250	\$2,939	\$81,064

Other Ministers—Aart Van Arendonk, Classical Missionary, Grand Haven, Mich.; Albert Oltmans, D. D., Missionary, Tokio, Japan; A. Livingston Warnshuis, D. D., Shanghai, China; Willis G. Hoekje, Missionary, Japan; Roelof Duker, Emeritus, Grand Rapids, Mich.; S. Venema, Emeritus, 625 Innes St., N. E., Grand Rapids, Mich.; Henry K. Boer, 107 Central Ave., Wyoming Park, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Cornelius Kriekard, Kalamazoo, Mich.; John De Haan, 615 Northwest St., Kalamazoo, Mich.

Classical Agents—F. M., O. G. Droppers; D. M., J. D. Dykstra; E., H. Frieling; P. and B. S. W., —; D. M. F. and W. F., W. S. Grays; Tem, J. H. Kregel.

Stated Clerk and Treasurer—H. Harmeling, Grand Haven, Mich.

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PASTORS.

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Beaverdam	Vacant, C. Boertje, Ck.	52	3	7	17	1	104	10	...	4	...	115	80	1	90	\$221	\$94	\$1,396	Zeeland, Mich., R. D. 2.		
First, Cleveland	T. G. Van den Bosch.	38	6	4	5	3	87	6	9	5	...	64	50	1	71	251	40	1,394	Cleveland, O., 5807 Lex. A.		
Calvary, Cleveland	Mannes A. Stegeman.	91	6	4	5	3	203	14	7	9	...	165	64	1	215	1,280	304	2,969	Cleveland, O., 1926 W. 65th.		
Dummingville	Vacant, G. Slogman, Ck.	26	7	2	3	61	...	...	6	3	...	51	25	1	54	134	...	236	Hamilton, Mich., R. D. 3.
East Overisel	Jacob Popen.	58	6	2	7	...	145	7	...	21	2	127	53	1	90	249	19	1,144	Hamilton, Mich., R. D. 3.		
Ebenezer	Albert H. Strabbing.	52	10	4	1	...	120	8	2	2	...	92	84	1	117	373	90	1,103	Hamilton, Mich., R. D. 7.		
Graafschap	Vacant, G. C. Heneveld, Ck.	35	1	1	...	78	5	...	3	3	...	87	26	1	43	154	8	504	Holland, Mich., R. D. 8.		
First, Hamilton	William C. Walvoord.	105	18	15	11	...	262	8	7	6	...	213	145	1	195	774	184	3,285	Hamilton, Mich., R. D. 8.		
Harlem	Benjamin J. Wynveen.	29	5	2	6	...	62	8	4	4	...	93	80	1	65	112	23	442	Hamilton, Mich., R. D. 8.		
First, Holland	Henry J. Veldman.	237	28	43	42	...	591	52	20	26	...	470	235	1	850	2,105	136	6,658	Holland, Mich., R. D. 8.		
Third, Holland	Martin Filipse.	245	36	40	18	...	360	40	30	17	...	370	125	1	840	3,290	240	6,427	Holland, Mich., R. D. 8.		
Fourth, Holland	M. E. Broekstra.	170	12	35	9	...	340	5	8	12	...	269	150	1	277	674	109	4,893	Holland, Mich., R. D. 8.		
Sixth, Holland	Vacant, C. TerLouw, C.	17	24	22	1	...	45	70	...	9	...	34	56	1	128	...	...	...	Hamilton, Mich., R. D. 11.
Hudsonville	Vacant, Seth Cohorn, C.	23	7	5	6	...	21	25	8	9	...	30	41	1	38	140	2	460	Hudsonville, Mich., R. 3.		
First, Jamestown	Nicholas Boer.	100	24	11	13	...	252	3	6	8	...	215	100	1	252	1,484	33	3,310	Hudsonville, Mich., R. 3.		
Second, Jamestown	Vacant, George Hankamp.	65	9	11	4	...	140	27	5	9	...	133	93	1	137	989	89	1,299	Hudsonville, Mich., R. 3.		
North Blendon	J. J. Burgraaf.	33	4	3	6	...	70	3	8	10	...	111	74	1	63	134	...	882	Hudsonville, Mich., R. 3.		
North Holland	Gerrit Tyse.	125	16	6	...	4	233	...	...	...	...	225	153	1	235	1,358	111	1,685	Hudsonville, Mich., R. D. 1.
Ottawa	Vacant, D. Meenges, Ck.	20	12	6	...	1	40	100	...	6	...	10	29	1	55	7	...	827	Zeeland, Mich., R. D. 1.		
Overisel	Vacant.	139	15	3	15	...	438	9	19	12	...	100	155	1	302	3,238	129	2,692	Zeeland, Mich., R. D. 1.		
South Blendon	F. M. Wiersma.	67	6	5	1	...	159	10	2	6	...	129	78	1	149	346	68	2,269	Hudsonville, Mich., R. 5.		
Three Oaks	Engelhard Furda.	21	3	1	1	...	40	23	1	1	...	28	34	1	52	162	26	506	Hudsonville, Mich., R. 5.		
Vriesland	Vacant.	78	4	6	10	...	258	2	6	3	...	141	75	1	129	942	73	1,592	Zeeland, Mich., R. 5.		
First, Zeeland	Vacant.	180	21	7	18	...	463	6	24	27	...	268	180	1	285	2,438	267	3,481	Vriesland, Mich., R. 5.		
Second, Zeeland	Benjamin Hoffman.	128	6	13	13	...	323	13	9	13	...	250	104	1	352	2,468	290	5,451	Zeeland, Mich., R. 5.		
Total		2134	282	248	209	4	6716039	454	189	232	29	3880	2309	251	5097	\$23,323	\$2,337	\$54,895			
Other Ministers—W. J. Van Kersen, District Secretary, Holland, Mich.; Seth Van der Werf, Field Secretary, Holland, Mich.; A. Pieters, Missionary, Japan; Bernard Rottscheffer, Missionary, India, Alexander Van Bronkhorst, Missionary, Japan; G. De Jonge, Classical Missionary, Zeeland, Mich.; J. W. Te Paske, Zeeland, Mich.; John Hoekje, Holland, Mich.																					
Classical Agents—F. M., ———, D. M., G. Tyse, E. Geo. Hankamp; Tem, W. C. Waavoord; P. and B. S. W., A. H. Strabbing; D. M. F. and W. F., N. Boer.																					
Candidates—John W. Wichers, Zeeland, Mich.; Robert Kroodsmas, Zeeland, Mich.																					
Stated Clerk and Treasurer—G. DeJonge, Zeeland, Mich.																					
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Candidates—John W. Wichers, Zeeland, Mich.; Robert Kroodsmä, Zeeland, Mich.

Stated Clerk and Treasurer—G. DeJonge, Zeeland, Mich.

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											Benevolent.										
Claverack	Herman Hageman	114	5	9	1	1	3	253	60	55	4	75	75	3	178	\$369	\$14	\$2,741	Claverack, Col. Co., N. Y.		
Gallatin	Vacant	62	3	2	2	2	1	98	26	26	13	1	1	1	50	68	38	814	Mt. Ross, Dut's Co., N. Y.		
Germantown	Benjamin F. White.	122	3	1	1	4	4	227	48	67	7	35	35	2	130	325	28	2,775	Germantown, Col. Co., N. Y.		
Greenport	Philip Jonker	97	1	1	8	1	1	134	34	79	6	14	15	2	233	360	24	1,254	Hudson, N. Y., R. 2.		
Hudson	J. M. Martin.	235	35	21	6	12	389	150	125	6	14	35	35	2	233	360	24	6,588	Hudson, Col. Co., N. Y.		
Hudson, Hungarian	R. Von Tompl, S. S.	25	20	2	3	2	60	20	1	1	2	18	18	3	29	15	31	200	Hudson, Col. Co., N. Y.		
Livingston	M. J. Den Herder.	110	11	2	3	2	178	87	34	1	1	1	1	1	96	221	15	1,257	Livingston, Col. Co., N. Y.		
Livingston Memorial	E. T. F. Randolph.	150	4	2	2	3	45	38	1	1	1	1	1	1	45	26	14	537	Livingston, Col. Co., N. Y.		
Mellenville	Leonard Appeldoorn	103	6	3	1	3	201	32	38	1	4	4	4	1	150	393	14	1,619	Mellenville, Col. Co., N. Y.		
Philmont	A. I. Mann	180	32	7	7	1	304	35	57	5	12	12	12	6	250	1,174	43	2,000	Philmont, Col. Co., N. Y.		
West Copake	Vacant	41	1	1	1	1	69	10	24	6	1	1	1	1	70	12	8	800	W. Copake, Col. Co., N. Y.		
Total		1,139	117	43	31	1	31,195	476	505	44	33	217	139	15	1465	\$4,012	\$359	\$20,175			

Other Ministers—D. T. Harris, John Van Burk, F. A. Force.

Classical Agents—F. M., L. Appeldoorn; D. M., A. I. Mann; P. and B. S. W., M. J. Den Herder; E., B. F. White; D. M. F. and W. F., D. T.

Harris.

Candidate—Charles Arlington Hallenbeck.

Stated Clerk—Philip Jonker, Hudson, N. Y., R. F. D. No. 2.

Treasurer—M. Van de Bogart, Hudson, N. Y.

* Less names on the Home Department. † Last year's report.

CLASSIS OF ILLINOIS.—P. S. C.

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Bethany Fairview	John Lamar	250	43	21	10	1	2	541	50	60	26	2	250	150	2	800	\$2,095	\$598	\$4,658 50 W. 111th St., Chicago.			
West Side, Hungarian	Jerry P. Winter	100	1	4	10	1	2	134	65	40	4	1	50	20	1	185	*1,657	171	1,856 Fairview, Ill.			
Emmanuel	Vacant	61	8	26	1	1	1	98	30	5	11	1	85	55	1	250	525	175	2,315 35 E. 101st Place, Chic'o.			
Manito	John E. Bennink	61	8	26	1	1	1	98	30	5	11	1	85	55	1	250	525	175	2,315 35 E. 101st Place, Chic'o.			
North Western	Vacant	36	3	3	1	1	1	60	20	14	2	1	43	40	1	100	30	86	Manito, Ill.			
Pennsylvania Lane	W. Teeuwissen, S. S.	30	3	3	1	1	1	60	20	14	2	1	43	40	1	100	30	86	Manito, Ill.			
Raritan	Vacant	40	3	3	1	1	1	30	78	27	11	6	11	6	1	60	20	20	400 Mason City, Ill.			
Spring Lake	C. M. Lawrence, S. S.	19	13	2	1	1	1	54	6	24	3	1	8	12	1	35	50	7	911 Raritan, Ill.			
Trinity	Theodore Shafer	19	13	2	1	1	1	54	6	24	3	1	8	12	1	35	50	7	911 Raritan, Ill.			
Kensington, Ital. Miss.	Jacob Heemstra	55	7	3	4	1	1	48	12	37	7	1	83	12	1	75	90	527	2,572 357 Homan Ave., Chic'o.			
**Norwood Park	Frank Malta, Evangelist	20	1	1	1	1	1	60	20	37	7	1	83	12	1	75	90	527	2,572 357 Homan Ave., Chic'o.			
Total		591	75	59	16	1	51187	318	172	53	6	530	283	10	1570	\$4,939	\$1,096	\$14,439				
Other Ministers—J. S. Jorammon, Santa Monica, Cal.; James Sterenberg, Galesburg, Ill.; A. A. Krisik, 4329 Carroll Ave., Chicago.																						
Classical Agents—F. M. J. Heemstra; D. M., J. Lamar; E., J. Sterenberg; D. M. F. and W. F., T. R. DeVries, 528 W. 103d Place, Chicago;																						
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Alton	Jacob P. De Jong	98	6	13	16	2	1	243	4	16	11	184	120	1	170	\$1,592	\$270	\$2,404	Alton, Iowa.	
Alvord	Vacant	31	1	1	2	2	1	13	12	1	9	98	55	1	25	95	95	130	Alvord, Iowa.	
Archer	S. J. Menning	34	5	4	5	5	1	45	12	1	8	99	55	1	70	162	168	1,254	Archer, Iowa.	
Bethel (Ieota)	J. J. Van der Schaaf	71	10	2	9	1	1	105	11	1	14	1	110	1	150	829	98	1,772	Bethel, Minn.	
Bigelow	Harry Hoff's	16	1	3	1	1	1	25	33	1	4	1	20	1	20	20	20	247	Bigelow, Minn.	
Boydow	A. J. Van Lummel	103	5	15	8	1	3	150	17	6	18	230	140	1	160	690	1,347	3,383	Boydow, Iowa.	
Carmel	Henry Schut	68	8	18	11	2	4	115	17	5	16	1	243	90	1	100	795	271	9,069	Carmel, Iowa.
Chandler	H. E. Reinhart	45	4	12	7	1	1	82	24	5	18	130	70	1	75	432	51	1,142	Chandler, Minn.	
Churchville	Geo. E. Cook	22	3	12	1	1	1	43	17	1	5	97	68	1	60	77	6	943	Churchville, Minn.	
Clara City	Vacant	16	1	7	1	1	1	39	3	1	1	60	70	1	80	45	5	1,145	Clara City, Minn.	
Doon	E. S. Schilstra	25	7	3	5	1	1	39	12	1	5	60	70	1	80	336	29	1,178	Doon, Iowa.	
Edgerton	John De Jongh	60	1	17	9	1	1	111	2	4	11	148	78	1	90	330	79	1,587	Edgerton, Iowa.	
Free Grace (Middleburg)	H. Douwstra	90	6	14	14	1	1	136	5	1	4	275	180	1	175	1,851	58	1,587	Orange City, Ia., R. 1.	
Friesland	T. L. De Lange	12	1	1	1	1	1	12	5	1	12	12	14	1	43	59	5	82	Sandstone, Minn.	
Fruitland Mesa	J. W. Te Selle, S. S.	6	1	1	3	1	1	11	1	1	1	24	14	1	1	1	1	50	Cravford, Col.	
Holland	Z. Roetman	141	13	4	3	3	3	330	37	3	17	306	186	1	288	2,161	1,346	2,411	Holland, Neb.	
Hospers	Geo. H. Douwstra	80	11	13	16	1	2	180	14	13	16	1	252	156	1	183	2,723	121	2,843	Hospers, Iowa.
Hull	P. A. J. Rouma	176	17	21	24	1	5	337	4	24	1	500	245	1	289	2,712	593	4,592	Hull, Iowa.	
Inwood	H. Mulienberg	30	4	9	4	1	1	46	2	3	6	65	42	1	58	79	21	691	Inwood, Iowa.	
Ireton	Wm. Stegeman	37	4	1	1	1	1	37	3	3	3	110	23	1	56	100	33	1,130	Ireton, Iowa.	
Lester	Vacant	16	4	32	1	1	1	28	20	3	5	40	35	1	60	33	28	55	Lester, Iowa.	
Luctor	C. Lepeltak	25	8	2	1	1	3	57	1	14	3	50	36	1	60	540	28	540	Prairie View, Kan., R. 1.	
Maurice	John Vanderbeek	100	14	10	14	5	5	209	1	9	20	204	182	1	239	2,133	579	2,658	Maurice, Iowa.	
Matlock	Vacant	14	2	1	1	1	1	23	15	5	9	57	20	1	28	299	17	225	Matlock, Iowa.	
Melvin	Vacant	25	7	1	1	1	1	20	15	8	6	33	25	1	40	20	17	557	Melvin, Iowa.	
Newkirk	R. D. Douwstra	107	12	3	5	2	230	15	8	21	1	305	188	1	225	5,784	575	2,836	Hospers, Iowa, R. R. 1.	

CLASSIS OF IOWA.—P. S. C.—(Continued.)

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Orange City, First.....	J. Engelsman.....	222	24	14	30	7	543	65	17	33	661	257	1	1	405	\$15,013	\$687	\$5,104	Orange City, Iowa.	
Pella.....	Wm. Rottschaefer.....	67	4	8	2	.....	1	143	16	1	13	.....	131	72	1	1	105	510	97	1,498	Adams, Neb., R. R. 2.
Prairie View.....	F. B. Mansen.....	75	11	2	1	.....	1	171	10	3	18	.....	174	125	1	1	173	775	55	2,210	Prairie View, Kans.
Rock Rapids.....	Vacant.....	21	3	10	.....	.....	3	37	27	.....	7	.....	30	26	1	1	32	53	10	650	Rock Rapids, Iowa.
Rock Valley.....	Vacant.....	80	13	9	12	.....	3	122	56	4	21	.....	235	115	1	1	104	832	98	2,183	Rock Valley, Iowa.
Roseland.....	Vacant.....	41	6	8	3	.....	81	81	4	2	7	.....	128	75	1	1	85	392	110	2,582	Svea, Minn.
Rottlerdam.....	John Hoffman.....	27	15	.....	.....	.....	58	58	7	11	3	.....	44	20	1	1	56	122	59	643	Cawker City, Kans., R. 3.
Sandborn.....	B. R. Van Zyl.....	32	11	21	4	.....	1	68	13	9	13	.....	91	60	1	1	80	226	24	1,350	Sandborn, Iowa.
Sandstone.....	T. L. De Lange.....	27	5	23	29	.....	56	56	4	4	2	.....	95	40	1	1	62	56	17	450	Sandstone, Minn.
Sheldon.....	H. Van der Naald.....	136	5	.....	.....	.....	3	184	110	6	18	.....	271	164	1	1	176	916	105	5,583	Sheldon, Iowa.
Sibley.....	Harry Hoffs.....	15	3	5	.....	.....	33	33	6	1	8	.....	12	8	1	1	23	25	150	250	Sibley, Iowa.
Silver Creek.....	B. W. Lammers.....	41	.....	5	.....	.....	1	90	24	10	7	.....	185	65	1	1	89	384	182	1,824	Maple Lake, Minn.
Sioux Center, First.....	F. Lubbers.....	192	33	16	18	2	.....	410	4	6	32	.....	614	322	1	1	418	16,361	729	4,629	Sioux Center, Iowa.
Sioux Center, Central.....	A. Haverkamp.....	85	14	14	5	2	.....	171	21	12	9	.....	170	102	1	1	188	1,810	902	2,635	Sioux Center, Iowa.
Sioux City.....	H. Colebrand.....	20	6	1	.....	.....	2	35	15	4	3	.....	54	30	1	1	50	75	.....	616	Sioux City, Ia.
Spring Creek.....	Vacant.....	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	23	23	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1	1	125	2,000	.....	95	Gary Minn., R. R. 2.
Steen.....	G. Bosch.....	65	14	13	20	.....	124	15	1	16	1	.....	228	124	1	1	125	2,000	.....	1,700	Steen, Minn.
Twin Brooks.....	J. J. Dragt, S. S.....	12	.....	3	.....	.....	19	13	4	1	4	.....	46	12	1	1	483	483	29	804	Twin Brooks, S. Dakota.
Volga.....	J. D. Grull.....	20	1	1	3	.....	33	14	4	4	4	.....	73	35	1	1	55	100	11	804	Volga, South Dakota.
Wichita.....	Vacant.....	17	2	4	3	.....	29	6	4	2	2	.....	32	19	1	1	33	.....	.....	266	Wichita, Kansas.
Total.....		2,617	311	318	306	10	55	5,024	649	199	457	12	69,466	3,826	43	5,043	\$63,821	\$8,866	\$78,			

Other Ministers—S. M. Zweyer, D. D., Cairo, Egypt; Jas. E. Moerdyk, Buserab, Arabia; H. Kuyper, Tokio, Japan; G. D. Van Peursem, Arabia; Jas. DePue, Sioux Center, Iowa; J. J. Dragt, (Emeritus), Twin Brooks, S. D.; J. Van Houte, (Emeritus), Boyden, Iowa; J. Brummel, Ar-
mour, S. D.; Thos. E. Welmers, Orange City, Iowa; G. J. Penning, Arabia.
Classical Missionaries—J. W. Kots, Matlock, Iowa; F. G. Dekker, Rock Rapids, Iowa; D. Scholten, Valley Springs, S. D.
Classical Agents—F. M. E. S. Schlusstra; D. M. G. Doustra; E. H. Van der Naald; P. and B. S. W., J. J. Van der Schaaf; S. B., G.
Bosch.

Stated Clerk and Treasurer—Thos. E. Welmers, Orange City, Iowa.

CLASSIS OF KINGSTON.—P. S. N. Y.

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											Adults.	Infants.			Denomina- tional Objects.	Other Objects				
Bloomingdale	A. A. Zabriskie.	80	4	2	7	...	5	90	25	15	3	1	20	15	1	66	\$230	\$142	\$1,000	Bloomington, N. Y.
The Clove	G. C. Dangremond.	88	5	9	10	...	5	125	50	150	3	2	...	...	2	135	215	...	1,470	High Falls, N. Y.
Dashville	Vacant	20	...	...	...	...	...	...	20	25	40	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	150	Rifton, N. Y.
Gardiner	John Neander	66	20	2	6	...	1	145	30	64	4	6	35	...	1	175	135	55	1,500	Gardiner, N. Y.
Gulford	Calvin E. Lasher, P. E.	30	...	...	5	...	...	41	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Gardiner, N. Y.
Hurley	Jesse F. Durfee.	65	4	2	...	...	2	134	35	30	...	...	18	...	1	72	292	68	1,276	Hurley, N. Y.
Kingston	Frank B. Seeley	225	8	13	9	...	5	474	28	90	10	4	66	16	1	327	615	191	4,960	Malden L., N. Y.
Krumville	T. A. Beekman.	31	3	1	...	...	1	30	28	9	4	2	...	...	1	60	15	9	242	Krumville, N. Y.
Lionsville	T. A. Beekman.	51	...	...	2	...	1	58	21	76	...	...	...	...	1	33	21	3	213	Krumville, N. Y.
Marbleton, North	Jesse F. Durfee.	52	...	...	2	...	...	41	15	20	...	...	14	...	1	25	67	...	369	Hurley, N. Y.
New Paltz	M. V. Oggel.	125	...	2	10	...	3	330	100	84	3	...	...	268	3	478	1,119	285	3,524	New Paltz, N. Y.
Rochester	H. D. Frost.	175	12	1	7	...	5	240	50	116	4	7	...	...	4	220	177	39	1,509	Accord, N. Y.
Rosendale	Vacant	50	1	...	5	...	3	60	40	50	1	1	8	...	1	44	27	2	804	Rosendale, N. Y.
Plains	Vacant	60	1	...	1	...	1	125	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	85	15	...	700	Tilston, N. Y.
St. Remy	Vacant	60	1	...	1	...	1	30	10	10	...	...	...	...	1	65	...	...	175	Eddyville, N. Y.
Marbleton	Chauncey Stevens	60	2	8	...	...	4	106	20	30	...	...	7	...	2	160	203	24	1,102	Stone Ridge, N. Y.
Total		1238	60	40	64	...	36	2029	452	744	33	23	167	299	22	1978	\$3,261	\$819	\$18,889	

Other Ministers—James Cantine, D. D., Busrak, Arabia.

Classical Agents—F. M., T. A. Beekman; D. M., Jesse F. Durfee; E., F. B. Seeley; W. F. and D. M. F., A. A. Zabriskie; P. and B. S. W., M. V. Oggel.

Stated Clerk and Treasurer—Frank B. Seeley, Kingston, N. Y.

† Revised list.

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Jamaica	Robert Kerr Wick	400	24	23	10	9	618	125	14	12	12	2	634	\$2,444	\$716	\$12,636	221 Fulton St., Jamaica.									
Newtown	Charles K. Clearwater	100	1	4	2	238	50	50	5	1	1	1	150	225	75	4,250	23 Victor Pl., Elmhurst.									
Oyster Bay	William H. Jackson	80	6			4	109	20	3				60	75	25	1,889	Glen Head, L. I., N. Y.									
North Hempstead	Oscar Maddaus	110	1	3	10	2	140	40				1	98				Manhasset, L. I., N. Y.									
Williamsburgh	Vacant	152	8	10	6	3,221	57	206	12	2	41	17	175	130	18	3,176	110 Remsen St., Astoria.									
Astoria	Arthur Roosenraad	276	23	15	14	6	477	50	128	8	4	11	256	3,304	467	10,347	378 Parsons Av., Flus'g.									
Flushing	Thomas H. Mackenzie	217	13	1	5	3	374	125	7	2	2	12	406	339	167	5,032	1001 Lorimer St., Brook'n.									
Kent St., Brooklyn	R. Anderson Watson	302	84	9	18	4	498	110	39	8	8	44	905	1,007	491	6,316	15 Himrod St., Brook'n.									
South Bushwick	Andrew J. Meyer	90	12	1		3	145	45	31	19	11	10	75	117	85	3,075	520 2d Av., Astoria, L. I.									
Second, Astoria	C. D. F. Steinfuhrer	82	1	6	4	2	122	10	8	1	1	17	225	669	341	1,540	Queens, L. I., N. Y.									
Queens	J. S. N. Demarest	125	9		1	8	223	10	8	1	1	36	411	96	90	5,483	132 Penn St., Brooklyn.									
German Ev., Brooklyn	George G. Wacker	87	31	1		2	164	22	10	8	120	60	243	123	34	1,887	West Sayville, L. I., N. Y.									
Sayville	Cornelius Muller	90	2	9		83	22	75	22	1	96	5	1	126	10	192	2,175	Locust Valley, L. I., N. Y.								
Locust Valley	E. Fred Eastman	149	33	11	15	1	253	22	75	22	1	96	5	1	247	900	108	2,857	College Point, L. I., N. Y.							
College Point	Henry Sluyter	130	10	3		2	140	60	50	23	23	1	260	481	545	2,137	102 Academy St., L. I., N. Y.									
First, L. I. City	Daniel P. Doyle	43	4			1	46	12	2	2			97		254	254										
Bushwick	Vacant	177	31	3	10	11	340	35	60	37	1	17	193	51	140	2,135	120 Herriman Av., Jam.									
German Ev., Jamaica	Frederick Stoebeher	40	5	1		2	55	5	1	1	1	16	50	4	500	1,100	Hicksville, L. I., N. Y.									
Hicksville	J. Clewell Oettinger	120	16		2	5	221	4	15	1	1	1	130	50	35	1,500	Elmhurst, L. I., N. Y.									
German, Newtown	George J. Schoerk	97	27	4	5	2	212	47	12	2	29	25	381	33	68	1,672	Steinway, L. I., N. Y.									
Steinway	Preston F. Strauss	85	8	6		2	175	33	40			20	335	80	40	2,869	71 Harman St., B'k'n.									
Church of Jesus	Christian Oswald	35	6	1	1	2	57	30	27	5			1	139	51	100	737	New Hyde Park, L. I.								
New Hyde Park	W. N. MacNeill	24					26	30	27					170	71	400	4 Fisk Ave., Winifred, L.I.									
Sunny Side	Vacant	45	12	3		90	35	30	7	35	1	48	11	50	35	42	2,082	Central Ave., F. Rock Y.								
Winfield	William T. E. Adams	81	16			141	40	30	10	2																
German Ev., Far R.	John G. Bosshart																									
Valley Stream	Vacant																									
German Ev., Manhattan	Vacant																									
Total		3079	383	103	112	1	69	5168	669	1307	302	46	385	295	28	5866	\$10,220	\$4,261	\$75,873							

Other Ministers—Lewis Francis, Pelham Manor, N. Y.; Ernest Gutweiler, Hicksville, N. Y.; Robt. H. Barr, S. S. Associate Reformed Church, Newburgh, N. Y.; John Baumeister, 402 Amity St., Flushing, N. Y.; Walter T. Scudder, Vellore, Madras, India; E. E. Calverley, Minor Swick, 54 S. Parsons Ave., Flushing, N. Y.; Alexander Shaw, Long Island City, N. Y.

Classical Agents—F. M., Robert K. Wick; D. M., R. A. Watson; E., P. F. Strauss; D. M. F. and W. F., Elder Andrew Peck, 1545 Bedford Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.; P. and B. S. W., Andrew J. Meyer.

Stated Clerk and Treasurer—Rev. Charles K. Clearwater, 23 Victor Place, Elmhurst, L. I.

*Revised roll. †Transferred from Classes of New York "Ave. B."

SOUTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND.—P. S. N. Y.

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First Ref., Brooklyn....	A. J. Derbyshire....	325	38	16	50		14	1000	250	300		19	5	1	400	\$2,229	\$1,983	7th Av. and Carroll St., Brooklyn.			
Flatbush (First)	J. M. Farrar, P. Em.	415	19	1	7		8	515	350	31		15	9	1	488	3,326	2,133	1298 Pacific St., B'k'n.			
Grace Reformed	J. P. Berg	140	28	26	3		2	278	30	83		15	1	1	278	1,616	155	900 Flatbush Av., B'k'n.			
New Utrecht	G. W. Carter	125	21	4	5		6	342	50	100		19	4	30	300	950	295	4729 1828 83d St., Brooklyn.			
Gravesend, First	Philip H. Clifford	190	17	8	3		3	383	100	100		15	1	1	360	1,537	1,778	5430 145 Neck R., Brooklyn.			
Flatlands	Charles W. Roeder	180	17	6	3		3	310	200	75		16	2	1	689	641	227	5,789 1290 E. 40th St., Brooklyn.			
New Lots	John S. Gardner, P. E.	80	3		1		2	108				6		1	225	40	20	Somerville, N. J.			
Fortis Park	Howard C. Hasbrouck	182	10	6	11		3	331	115	115		12	1	1	386	209	96	1450 653 Stenck Av., Brooklyn.			
South Brooklyn	Floyd L. Cornish	490	83	33	42		5	800	454	76		11	170	1	1075	871	307	3434 2919 Borden Av., B'k'n.			
Twelfth St.	John C. Rauscher	369	42	15	24		3	700	190	37		37		1	900	273	235	9405 416 Ave. and 55 St., B'k'n.			
Bethany	Arthur J. Waugh	42	4	3	2		3	71	13	29		6	1	1	153	231	265	11619 136 Prospect Pk., West.			
Church-on-the-Heights	F. F. Shannon	37	1	3	9		4	85	12	496		2		1	22	1,101	137	1,315 345 Lafayette Av., B'k'n.			
New Brooklyn	Fred C. Erhardt	160	23	1	1		10	353	138	124		24	2	21	339	186	127	8789 196 Columbia Heights.			
Second, Flatbush	Louis Goebel	85	9		1		6	183	134			12		4	125	30	15	3697 1082 Herkimer St., B'k'n.			
Sanaste	Frederick P. Young	65	6		1		4	59	24			12		1	300	100	500	1429 2170 Bedford Ave., B'k'n.			
St. Thomas, U. S. A.	Jacob Meier	45	6		1		4	59	24			12		1	37	20		4570 75 Conklin Ave., B'k'n.			
Ocean Hill	A. H. Leslie	100	10	3	7		1	158		9		15	4	11	244	131	35	409 St. Thomas, Virgin Is.			
Edgewood	Andrew Hageman	100	3	11			1	158				2	1	1	188			2656 1239 Herkimer St., B'k'n.			
Ridgewood	Alexander Wouters	50	9		3		5	150	30	68		30		9	242	35		1290 1839 Decatur St., B'k'n.			
Woodlawn	George R. Israel	50	20	9	11		3	297				6	2	1	346	243	290	5,111 1490 E. 10th St., B'k'n.			
Greenwood	John G. Addy	120	25	9	2		1	255	60			19	2	50	350	293	106	4,090 1015 Seventh Av., B'k'n.			
Bay Ridge	Stanley G. Tyndall	102	3	6	4		2	206	100			6		1	200	279	18	4,170 151 80th St., Brooklyn.			
Barren Island	Frederick P. Young	102	3	6	4		2	206	100			6		1	200	279	18				
Windsor Terrace	Vacant	102	3	6	4		2	206	100			6		1	200	279	18				
Total		3042	382	159	193		88	6664	1877	2214		365	46	367	295	7439	\$14,539	\$8,678	\$85,539		

Other Ministers—Daniel Rapelje, 12 Wittesey Ave., E. Orange, N. J.; A. De W. Mason, 222 Garfield Place, Brooklyn, N. Y.; A. M. Quick, 56 7th Ave., Brooklyn; M. A. Denman, 96 Maplewood Terrace, Springfield, Mass.; C. J. Scudder, 99 Livingston Ave., New Brunswick, N. J.; John E. Lloyd, 806 Carroll St., Brooklyn; C. T. Anderson, Somerville, N. J.; R. F. D. No. 2; Ralph C. Morris, 1361 53rd St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Classical Agents—F. M., J. G. Addy; D. M., J. C. Ranscher; Ed., O. E. Fisher; P. and B. S. W., A. Hageman. Tem., A. DeW. Mason.

Stated Clerk and Treasurer—John S. Gardner, Somerville, N. J.

CLASSIS OF MICHIGAN.—P. S. C.

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American Ref., Hamlin	Raymond D. Meengs....	39	4	3	...	1	60	30	3	5	3	43	42	1	90	\$206	\$86	\$1,131	Hamilton, Mich.
Bethany, Grand Rapids	James Wayer.....	138	56	14	16	2	326	16	23	15	1	325	150	1	501	1,777	275	4,578	735 Baitwin St., G. Ra's.
Bethany, Kalamazoo	Jacob Vander Meulen....	128	15	6	5	1	171	67	22	9	4	154	125	1	506	669	421	2,828	265 Burr Oak St., Kal'o.
Bethel, Grand Rapids...	Arrie J. Te Paske.....	77	13	6	3	1	157	21	17	9	1	146	118	1	254	343	5	3,708	1721 N. Coit Av., G. Ra's.
Calvary, Grand Rapids...	Clarence P. Dame.....	40	8	23	4	1	75	20	3	3	1	72	69	1	157	240	120	2,343	1507 E. Fulton St., G. R.
Grace, Grand Rapids...	C. H. Spaan.....	110	14	12	12	3	223	40	8	15	3	215	115	1	370	778	210	3,219	882 Caulfield Ave., G. R.
Grand Haven, Second	Henry A. Vruwink.....	82	35	12	4	3	166	35	3	3	1	158	469	1	238	469	641	2,700	Grand Haven, Mich.
Grand Rapids, First	J. Alex. Brown.....	116	14	6	4	1	282	25	14	11	3	281	40	1	189	1,244	185	4,576	124 Grand Ave., G. Ra's.
Grand Rapids, Second	Henry Hoopers.....	164	22	10	11	3	418	40	28	11	3	317	70	1	317	2,853	785	6,500	231 Lyon St., G. Rapids.
Hope, Holland	Vacant.....	250	48	30	34	9	418	53	14	15	1	179	130	1	318	506	130	6,328	Holland, Mich.
Immanuel, G. Rapids...	I. Van Westenburg.....	113	6	30	17	2	222	60	41	12	1	200	53	1	352	2,784	373	6,330	813 Thomas St., G. Ra's.
Kalamazoo, Second	Vacant.....	190	7	22	13	5	400	60	41	12	1	380	30	1	382	46	287	2,230	Kalamazoo, Mich.
Knapp Ave., G. Rapids	Vacant.....	150	13	7	3	38	30	30	9	10	1	167	46	1	90	34	287	1,000	Grand Rapids, Mich.
Muskegon, Second	Garnet Hondelink.....	128	53	10	4	4	261	45	25	8	2	160	78	1	334	519	292	6,781	33 Jefferson St., Muskn.
North Park, Kalamazoo	R. Vandenbergh.....	128	4	8	2	1	92	10	16	2	1	97	329	1	345	439	22	2,133	314 W. Patterson St., K.o.
Trinity, Holland	J. Van Feursen.....	133	21	17	27	1	301	10	16	2	1	381	731	1	581	731	34	5,114	495 Central Av., Holland.
Trinity, Grand Rapids...	J. Van Zomerem.....	94	38	8	8	4	166	65	3	17	5	352	155	1	370	408	50	4,785	1220 Davis St., G. Rapids.
Zion Ref., Grand Rapids	Vacant.....	18	16	16	1	1	32	20	5	3	1	20	18	1	40	18	18	638	Grand Rapids, Mich.
Total		1,909	359	477	169	36	3,836	554	318	150	35	2,450	1,481	18	5149	\$15,872	\$3,587	\$68,041	

Other Ministers—P. Moerdyke, Holland, Mich.; Ame Vannema, Holland, Mich.; James Ossewaarde, U. S. Army; H. V. S. Peeke, 25 E. 22nd St., New York; George W. Scarlet, Ridgeway, Mich.; David Van Strien, Kurume, Japan; John H. Warnshuis, Rijnpettal, India; Ralph Bloemendal, 1053 Franklin St., Grand Rapids; G. Kooker, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Classical Agents—F. M., J. A. Brown; D. M., R. Bloemendal; D. M. F. and W. F., C. H. Spaan; E., H. Hospers; P. and B. S. W., J. Van der Meulen.

Stated Clerk and Treasurer—Jacob Vander Meulen, Kalamazoo, Mich.

CLASSIS OF MONMOUTH.—P. S. N. B.

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First, Freehold	Charles L. Palmer	103	6	9	3	212	30	16	40	2	130	\$279	\$45	\$2,032	Marlboro, N. J.			
Second, Freehold	Vacant	160	5	6	5	7	353	75	50	9	2	25	15	230	800	175	5,870	Freehold, N. J.			
Red Bank	Lester G. Leggett	130	50	7	6	3	315	60	20	12	19	455	171	225	3,120	Red Bank, N. J.			
Keyport	Frank T. B. Reynolds	80	9	5	6	161	50	30	4	2	36	10	100	168	25	1,755	Keyport, N. J.			
Asbury Park	Garrett M. Corover	90	10	16	108	50	30	170	136	18	2,890	Asbury Park, N. J.			
Colt's Neck	O. Van Beverhoudt	54	3	1	3	95	18	44	3	3	93	111	10	1,510	Colt's Neck, N. J.			
Long Branch	Alfred Duncombe	120	6	4	3	209	12	50	5	1	126	69	35	2,822	Long Branch, N. J.			
Holmdel	Wilmer MacNair	46	4	2	6	3	102	28	4	3	1	60	113	93	1,400	Holmdel, N. J.			
Middletown	Marion T. Conklin	70	5	4	3	130	75	1	3	67	199	37	1,576	Middletown, N. J.			
Total	853	98	53	28	31	1,685	363	281	37	31	61	85	10	1,431	\$2,046	\$663	\$22,885		

Other Ministers—Henry J. Vyverburg, Hemet, Cal.; Elias Mead, Passaic, N. J.; W. H. Van Doren, Princeton, N. J.; Garrett Wyckoff, Red Bank, N. J.

Classical Agents—F. M., L. G. Leggett; D. M., O. Van Beverhoudt; E., Chas. L. Palmer; P. & B. S. W., F. T. B. Reynolds; D. M. F., G. M. Conover; W. F., Francis V. Many.

Stated Clerk and Treasurer—Garrett M. Conover, Asbury Park, N. J.

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																		Denomina- tional Objects.	Other Objects.			
Amsterdam, First	J. R. Kyle.....	114	9	9	1	1	7	166	40	40	4	4	4	1	1	252	\$351	\$178	\$2,157	Amsterdam, N. Y.		
Amsterdam, Trinity	Cornelius B. Muste.....	225	43	9	12	1	4	302	160	87	8	7	85	1	1	354	628	125	44,763	Amsterdam, N. Y.		
Aurlesville	Supplied.....	33	1	1	1	1	5	33	35	35	2	5	5	1	1	56	13	16	259	Aurlesville, N. Y.		
Canajoharie	Victor J. Bleckink.....	140	10	9	4	4	3	252	76	21	10	6	3	1	1	153	252	33	3,300	Canajoharie, N. Y.		
Cicero	Vacant.....	31	2	2	2	2	2	19	14	14	3	3	3	1	1	61	25	8	Cicero, N. Y.			
Columbia	Vacant.....	38	2	2	2	2	2	28	31	31	3	3	3	1	1	15	10	10	170	Richford Springs, R. 4.		
Cranesville	Supplied.....	29	1	1	1	1	1	55	15	37	3	3	3	1	1	60	167	37	656	Cranesville, N. Y.		
Currytown	H. A. Eliason.....	23	19	1	1	1	1	94	60	20	4	11	15	1	1	111	30	20	857	Sprakers, N. Y.		
Ephratah	Royal A. Stanton.....	68	19	1	1	1	1	95	60	20	4	11	15	1	1	75	145	25	1,000	Ephratah, N. Y.		
Florida	R. A. Pearse.....	70	2	5	2	5	3	315	65	75	2	6	150	2	2	290	488	119	3,633	Minaville, N. Y.		
Fonda	H. C. Cussler.....	180	15	5	2	1	5	366	100	80	1	1	9	1	1	385	431	46	80	Mohawk, N. Y.		
Fort Herkimer	Vacant.....	*12	7	5	7	5	10	100	80	80	1	1	9	1	1	365	431	46	3,200	Fort Plain, N. Y.		
Fort Plain	Thomas J. Kirkwood.....	225	7	5	7	5	10	366	100	80	1	1	9	1	1	365	431	46	3,200	Fort Plain, N. Y.		
Fultonville	Theodore A. Hageman.....	87	1	1	4	7	5	402	38	65	39	11	11	1	1	60	192	39	1,419	Fultonville, N. Y.		
Glen	Supplied.....	50	8	8	15	8	3	160	40	40	29	9	11	2	2	159	483	140	2,328	Glen, N. Y.		
Hagaman	C. V. W. Bedford.....	96	25	11	5	9	405	120	40	29	9	9	35	25	2	304	1,009	515	2,328	Hagaman, N. Y.		
Herkimer	J. H. Brinckerhoff.....	269	14	7	7	6	211	50	64	6	7	2	35	30	30	194	135	40	4,667	Herkimer, N. Y.		
Interlaken	George G. Seibert.....	140	6	3	2	3	18	16	40	7	2	42	35	30	1	175	586	373	b2,070	Interlaken, N. Y.		
Johnstown	Peter S. Beekman.....	87	6	3	2	3	18	16	40	7	2	42	35	30	1	194	135	40	1,037	Johnstown, N. Y.		
Lodi	Edward J. Meeker.....	102	5	1	2	2	21	168	50	35	3	3	17	1	1	201	327	21	1,772	Lodi, N. Y.		
Manheim	Vacant.....	*12	2	2	2	2	21	21	10	10	1	1	1	1	1	30	4	4	216	Little Falls, N. Y.		
Mapletown	Vacant.....	14	2	2	2	2	30	10	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	30	4	4	113	Mapletown, N. Y.		
Mohawk	Vacant.....	400	2	7	6	6	123	60	10	10	1	5	5	1	1	121	22	20	1,133	Mohawk, N. Y.		

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			Confession.	Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.															
Naumburg	Vacant	7	9	3	5	1	17	50	51	5	6	38	1	140	66	\$22	\$51	Castorland, N. Y.			
Owasco	Supplied	140	9	3	5	8	126	50	51	5	6	38	1	140	66	\$22	1,454	Owasco, N. Y.			
Owasco Outlet	Ira Van Allen, S. S.	10				1	25	35	60	4	4	39	1	25			475	Auturn, N. Y.			
St. Johnsville	Frederick Perkins	179	10	4	7	6	250	35	31			39	1	214	281	40	c2,467	St. Johnsville, N. Y.			
Sprakers	H. A. Eliason	42	2			1	42	35	31					63	24		557	Sprakers, N. Y.			
Stone Arabia	Royal A. Stanton	27	10	3	1	2	54	20	16	5	8	30	1	69	40	15	490	Port Plain, N. Y.			
Syracuse, First	U. G. Warren	250	40	20	8	4	320	75	50	6	8	30	1	180	300	500	7,500	Syracuse, N. Y.			
Syracuse, Second	Alex. S. Van Dyck	110	9	11	14	1	194	53	50	13	4	56	1	260	150	37	e3,548	Syracuse, N. Y.			
Thousand Islands	C. Fred Benjamin, Jr.	230	9		1	4	171	60	42	15	2	177	1	320	90	36	1,580	Alexandria Bay, N. Y.			
Utica (Christ)	Louis H. Hollen	175	7	19	1	1	212	100	110	4	1			104	370	177	5,177	Utica, N. Y.			
West Leyden	Vacant	25			3	37	19	11	1				1	40	82		344	West Leyden, N. Y.			
Total		3331	299	128	115	3	87	4707	1283	1104	126	87	736	123	34	4468	\$6,801	\$2,572	\$59,485		
<i>Other Ministers</i> —Joel Loucks, Canajoharie, N. Y.; Ira Van Allen, 409 Fayette Park, Syracuse, N. Y.; P. A. Wessels, Amsterdam, N. Y. <i>Classical Agents</i> —F. M. Royal A. Stanton; D. M. U. G. Warren; E., Edward J. Meeker; P. and B. S. W., J. H. Brinckerhoff; Tem., H. A. Eliason; W. F. and D. M. F., Elder E. O. Bartlett, Amsterdam, N. Y. <i>Stated Clerk and Treasurer</i> —George G. Seibert, Interlaken, N. Y. *Last year's report. Building improvements and repairs to churches as follows: (a) \$840; (b) \$372; (c) \$450; (d) \$260; (e) \$584.																					

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Belleville	J. Garland Hamner, Jr.	151	14	26	5	0	316	50	45	13	3	38	0	1	386	\$480	\$3,492	263 Main St., Belleville.		
First, Newark	Oriss M. Truesdale	157	18	8	0	6	275	0	154	14	9	0	0	1	304	1,100	\$300	9,040 370 Clinton Ave., Newark.			
First, Irvington	Urbain McClintock	110	0	4	2	0	160	0	0	10	0	0	0	1	225	100	125	2,000 69 Orange Ave., Newark.			
New York Ave., Newark.	Edward E. Schrock	122	16	4	15	3	205	50	129	16	2	0	0	1	299	238	65	4,769 100 New York Ave., New York.			
Franklin Nulley	Harold W. Schrock	125	7	6	3	0	186	40	28	5	0	0	0	1	264	194	63	3,508 30 Church St., Nutley.			
North, Newark	Charles H. Stewart	975	66	31	18	0	15,163	0	160	38	11	0	60	4	1,957	10,988	1,819	27,465 510 Broad St., Newark.			
West, Newark	Carl Cliftamer	70	20	0	10	0	6,288	0	0	106	6	50	24	1	360	68	55	1,791 35 Blum St., Newark.			
Clinton Ave., Newark	Albertus T. Brock	397	18	5	7	0	10,668	0	476	10	4	0	0	3	622	3,198	1,476	10,036 147 Johnson Ave., Newark.			
Trinity, Newark	Charles B. Condit	251	39	1	2	0	3,403	25	75	24	4	120	3	1	451	128	93	3,552 483 Perry St., Newark.			
Linden	Vernon K. Post	40	9	8	0	0	62	90	47	38	7	0	4	1	137	121	29	1,932 Linden, N. J.			
Christ, Newark	Harry K. Post	154	0	0	0	0	324	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	213	3	121	5,392 Delavan Ave., Newark.			
Brookdale	Charles E. Waldron	45	1	3	0	0	96	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	61	24	16	1,196 R. D. 1, Brookdale, N. J.			
Orange, First	W. Warren Gilles	250	26	3	23	0	5,503	25	140	1	1	0	0	1	243	1,187	221	6,649 22 Carleton St., E. Orange.			
Trinity, Plainfield	John Y. Brock	585	118	41	21	0	14,957	0	154	25	34	0	0	1	975	1,457	806	9,241 519 Cen. Ave., Plainfield.			
German, Plainfield	Cor. Schenck, P. Em.	27	2	1	0	0	157	0	0	8	0	0	2	1	25	25	50	904 W. Front St., N. J. P. E. d.			
Montclair Heights	George D. Hulst	64	12	8	1	0	3,121	40	32	1	0	0	1	1	84	900	200	4,000 Upper Montclair, N. J.			
Hyde Park	James Dykema	48	4	6	6	0	1,116	20	35	4	0	11	0	1	160	496	263	3,507 35 Grove St., E. Orange.			
Netherwood	Edward S. Ralston	70	31	18	2	0	1,138	0	22	7	10	0	1	239	41	19	1,750 222 Led'd Ave., Plainfield.				
Marcomber	J. Tucker Lamsdale	40	5	2	0	0	61	20	0	3	0	0	0	1	70	10	0	713 Oak Tree, N. J.			
**Second Irvington	George Moore	58	50	59	1	0	0	108	0	0	6	5	0	2	251	7	0	566 75 Florence Ave., Irvin'h.			
Total		3,398	456	231	129	0	75,667	360	14,971	324	98	24	93	24	725	\$20,765	\$5,781	\$99,951			

Other Ministers—Dennis Wortman, D. D., 40 Watson Ave., East Orange, N. J.; Oscar Gesner, Linden, N. J.; J. C. Garretson, 3403 Glenwood Rd., Brooklyn, N. Y.; Charles F. Stube, Tindivanam, India; Frank Lockson, Anoy, China; Charles L. Lawrence, 2635 Monte Vista St., Los Angeles, Cal.; H. J. Voskuil, Anoy, China; Henry Unglaub, 147 Ridgewood Ave., Newark, N. J.; Milton T. Stauffer, Shanghai, China.

Classical Agents—F. M., G. D. Hulst; D. M., J. Y. Brock; E. A. T. Brock; P. and B. W., Newark, N. J.

Stated Clerk and Treasurer—Charles Beach Condit, 483 Ferry St., Newark, N. J.

****Report from date of organization June 29, 1916, to March 31, 1917.**

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1st, New Brunswick	Jasper S. Hogan.....	215	48	11	7	13	453	...	275	3	6	...	2	...	387	\$1,517	\$488	\$5,918	New Brunswick, N. J.	
Six Mile Run	Eugene H. Keator.....	119	8	1	11	5	228	15	99	5	0	47	4	...	212	2,402	...	2,683	Franklin Park, N. J.	
Hillsborough	Andrew Hansen	94	2	7	7	4	168	35	56	6	0	50	2	...	215	629	*243	1,918	Millstone, N. J.	
Middlebush	John A. Thomson	60	1	6	5	1	157	25	24	4	1	...	1	...	147	376	37	2,263	Middlebush, N. J.	
Griggstown	John R. Sanson, S. S.	31	3	0	0	1	37	3	3	2	2	15	0	...	1	259	67	1,066	Pelle Mead, N. J.	
Second, New Brunswick	John A. Ingham	145	17	10	7	9	393	31	86	2	2	53	1	...	206	2,119	458	5,018	New Brunswick, N. J.	
Round Brook	Harold E. Green	113	5	6	11	0	190	73	41	7	0	37	1	...	210	365	72	3,295	S. Bound Brook, N. J.	
East Millstone	Harry Lockwood	107	2	7	0	2	161	50	5	0	1	15	0	...	1	107	185	1,738	East Millstone, N. J.	
Metuchen	John W. Van Zanten	106	9	2	7	0	227	80	13	3	4	47	0	...	1	222	979	3,212	Metuchen, N. J.	
Suydam St., N. B.	George H. Payson	138	28	14	3	0	249	4	79	4	16	41	1	...	1	185	1,573	5,180	New Brunswick, N. J.	
Highland Park	Frederick K. Shiehl	114	51	19	3	0	272	25	35	5	7	...	1	...	305	1,245	121	*4,139	Highland Park, N. J.	
Rocky Hill	George H. Donovan	71	4	6	0	1	131	10	15	0	0	...	1	...	120	174	22	1,068	Rocky Hill, N. J.	
Spotswood	Thomas C. Easton	*96	3	2	2	0	110	...	15	2	1	17	...	...	2	163	183	**3,650	Spotswood, N. J.
St. Paul's, P. Amboy	Jacob J. Ganss	160	16	1	10	0	178	50	10	1	1	...	...	...	1	40	...	11,292	Perth Amboy, N. J.
Total		1569	268	89	80	1	55,294	401	758	59	40	322	20	3620	\$11,037	\$2,519	\$41,817			

Other Ministers—W. I. Chamberlain, 25 E. Twenty-second St., New York; W. H. S. Denarest, New Brunswick, N. J.; J. H. Gillespie, New Brunswick, N. J.; E. Lord, Clifton Springs, N. Y.; L. B. Chamberlain, New Brunswick, N. J.; E. S. Booth, 178 Bluff, Yokohama, Japan; F. E. Wilber, Y. M. C. A., Canton, China; Luman J. Shafer, 25 East 22d St., New York; C. E. Corwin, Highland Park, N. J.

Licentiate—J. Claude Thomson, New Brunswick, N. J.

Classical Agents—F. M. J. W. Van Zanten; D. M., H. E. Green; W. F. and D. M. F., D. D. Williamson, New Brunswick, N. J.; E., J. S. Hogan; P. and B. S. W., A. Hansen; Tem., H. P. Schneeweiss, New Brunswick, N. J.

Stated Clerk—John A. Thompson, Middlebush, N. J.

Treasurer—H. Lockwood.

*\$660 paid off on mortgage.

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New York Collegiate....	David James Burrell....	1 W. 29th St., N. Y.	
The Marble	P. H. Milliken	1 W. 29th St., N. Y.	
The Marble	O. P. Barnhill	1 W. 29th St., N. Y.	
St. Nicholas	Arthur F. Macdon	1 W. 48th St., N. Y.	
St. Nicholas	Malcolm J. MacLeod	1 W. 48th St., N. Y.	
The West End	Henry E. Cobb	1 W. 48th St., N. Y.	
The Middle	Thos. MacB. Nichols	370 W. End Ave., N. Y.	
North Chapel	Vacant	2312	274	98	87	54	5639	126	18	10	3638	\$91,928	\$10,828	370 W. End Ave., N. Y.
Fort Washington	Irving Berg	
34th St.	Robert W. Courtney	
Knox Memorial	E. G. W. Meury	
Vermilye Chapel	Winfred R. Ackert	
Sunshine Chapel	H. W. Murphy	
Harlem	Edgar Tilton, Jr.	625	46	22	30	23	1241	21	5	2	600	7,300	1,025
Elmendorf Chapel	Floyd Decker	
Staten Island	Otto L. F. Mohr	165	11	6	1	13	295	61	3	1	316	1,051	550
Fortham Manor	Joseph M. Hodson	113	3	1	2	233	3	1	1	127	250	75
68th St., German	Julius Jaeger	118	7	2	235	50	38	2	11	160	180	250
Bloomington	Vacant	83	7	18	5	80	88	54	15
Madison Avenue	A. B. Churchman	190	35	4	165	640	1	39,000	4,000
South	Vacant	250	5	3	4	3	166
Manor Chapel	Frederic E. Bolster	250	18	8	9	10	411	18	3	3	124	2,780	100
Brighton Heights	Vacant	260	42	21	7	5	550	13	14	2	30	1,710	100
Zion German Evangelical	Albert F. Hahn	135	58	6	4	221	11	24	1	3	1	298	494
West Farms	Geo. S. Boister	50	2	2	2	7	1	7	1	145	96
Huguenot Park	DeWitt C. Snyder	1	1	76	20

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Mott Haven	Oscar M. Voorhees	170	30	6	16	1	1	398	50	95	22	1	...	101	1	288	\$318	\$136	\$8,061 350 E. 166th St., N. Y.
Melrose, German	George H. Miller	143	8	...	3	...	7	283	78	53	30	1	22	15	1	180	41	107	3,549 748 E. 10th Ave., N. Y.
Fourth, German	Chas. Nietzer	60	...	...	2	...	...	170	30	60	11	...	1	4	1	92	447	84	2,667 410 W. 45th St., N. Y.
Union of High Bridge	Daniel G. Verwey	172	52	8	20	...	3	365	90	187	16	5	11	190	1	339	673	88	5,379 11.6 W. 45th St. Ave., N. Y.
Avenue D, German	...	126	17	1	4	...	...	176	22	28	12	...	...	...	1	40	106	483	3,362
St. Peter's, Ger. Ev.	Joseph R. Duryee	60	8	...	4	...	...	6	15	10	...	...	...	8	1	25	...	171	...
Grace	...	192	10	15	8	...	6	396	6	...	14	1	70	...	1	165	510	520	4,700 1.9 E. 36th St., N. Y.
Hamilton Grange	P. S. Leinbach	206	29	17	15	...	8	282	90	65	7	4	...	...	1	206	840	385	9,462 670 W. 159th St., N. Y.
Anderson Memorial	Vacant	48	1	2	7	...	...	70	...	...	9	...	35	15	1	220	46	41	1,261
Church of the Comforter	Edward B. Irish	96	7	8	11	...	1	140	49	93	...	...	...	...	1	350	260	31	2,846 311 E. 163d St., N. Y.
Bethany Memorial	Arthur B. Churchman	390	4	...	4	...	5	181	178	299	18	...	78	6	1	436	461	81	697 190 E. 67th St., N. Y.
Bethany Harbor	W. E. Compton	108	9	1	...	...	2	119	115	22	29	...	55	75	1	227	134	20	2,015 Mariner's Harbor, N. Y.
Trinity, of Hellgate, Me.	William Vaughn	81	...	...	...	...	...	53	75	...	6	6	...	83	1	78	...	...	East Hellgate, Me.
Columbian Mem. (Ind'n)	Henry A. Vruwink	164	8	...	2	...	2	281	...	14	...	...	...	...	1	105	185	106	138 Colony, Oklahoma.
Columbian Memorial	R. H. Harper	110	9	...	4	...	4	185	25	15	4	...	80	...	1	115	90	62	299 Lawton, Oklahoma.
Vermulhye Memorial	Isaac Messier	30	13	...	...	...	...	61	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	160	19	...	McKee, Kentucky.
McKee, Kentucky	Wm. A. Worthington	63	25	1	...	...	...	88	...	7	...	...	...	...	3	400	110	20	95 Annville, Kentucky.
Gray Hawk Mission	G. Watermuller	78	27	1	...	8	4	205	70	...	10	...	10	...	2	70	36	...	Gray Hawk, Kentucky.
Winnebago, Neb. (Ind'n)	Norman R. Curtis	100	9	...	3	...	9	189	70	3	18	4	75	...	2	200	62	...	510 Winnebago, Neb.
Mescalero, N. M. (Ind'n)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	163 Mescalero, N. M.
Clover Road Chapel	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	163 Mescalero, N. M.
Total		6948	741	240	288	9178	12029	1028	1760	468	129	610	542	48	10033	\$141,455	\$20,287	\$80,176	Staten Island, N. Y.

Other Ministers—William Walton Clark, 532 Clinton Ave., Brooklyn; Andrew J. Park, Freeport, N. Y.; E. J. Runk, Roderick Terry, Newport, R. I.; E. A. Reed, Holyoke, Mass.; H. V. S. Myers, Shanghai, China; Fred J. Barney, Bursrah, Arabia; Lewis R. Scudder, M. D., Ranipettai, India; W. H. Miller, Upper Montclair, N. J.; Ernest Atsushi Ohori, 165 Audubon Ave., N. Y.; Arthur A. Fellstrom, 157 Lexington Ave., N. Y. City; Frank Hall Wright, Knoxville, Tenn.; James Coffin Stout, 541 Lexington Ave., N. Y. City; Charles Park, 221 Carmita Ave., Ruiterford, N. J.; Jesse W. Brooks, Chicago, Ill.; G. C. Lenington, Mexico City, Mexico; Pietro Griglio, 432 W. 34th St., N. Y. City.

Classical Agents—F. M., D. M., W. R. Ackert; E. R. W. Courtney; P. and B. S. W., G. S. Bolsterle; Tem., P. S. Leinbach.

Stated Clerk—Arthur B. Churchman, 400 East 67th St., N. Y. City.

Treasurer—W. R. Ackert, 416 W. 54th St., N. Y. City.

*Last year's figures.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.						BAP.		C. C. & S. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.				
		Census— Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Others En- rolled.	No. of Baptized Non- Communicants.	Catechumens.	No. of Sunday Schools.	Total Enrollment.		Denomina- tional Objects.		Benevolent.	Congregational.
Bloomington	William Colden	35	4	1	3	1	75	90	10	1	1	16	8	1	61	\$61	12	\$1,254	Bloomington, N. Y.	
Callicoon	John E. Straub	75	14	1	1	1	113	30	25	1	2	1	8	1	78	37	12	780	Callicoon Center, N. Y.	
Callicoonville	Vacant	18	30	1	30	1	30	25	25	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	351	Callicoonville, N. Y.	
Deer Park	William Conger	295	11	6	3	11	47	268	50	13	15	23	1	1	42	840	214	6,263	Deer Park, N. Y.	
Ellenville	Walter S. Matines	190	41	14	4	2	226	65	24	11	20	27	12	1	207	552	184	3,215	Ellenville, N. Y.	
Grahamsville	Henry Smith	78	31	11	2	1	165	65	24	11	20	27	12	1	143	33	15	2,029	Grahamsville, N. Y.	
Kerhonkson	Vacant	33	11	1	3	1	42	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	60	37	1	99	Kerhonkson, N. Y.	
Manakating	Vacant	50	2	1	3	3	50	90	26	3	3	20	1	1	35	1	1	745	Manakating, N. Y.	
Montgomery	Vacant	28	3	1	3	3	30	90	26	3	3	20	1	1	35	1	1	745	Montague, N. Y.	
Newburgh	Bruce Ballard	100	4	2	7	4	61	11	11	1	5	1	1	1	82	320	37	1,792	Montgomery, N. J.	
Newburgh	M. Seymour Purdy	250	13	4	6	6	256	50	50	1	1	1	1	1	243	837	339	7,980	Newburgh, N. Y.	
New Prospect	G. B. Scholten	73	2	8	4	2	148	20	15	6	1	35	1	1	122	102	12	1,367	Newburgh, N. Y.	
Shawangunk	John Van Strien	65	5	3	2	2	115	30	88	3	3	70	1	1	112	180	24	1,388	Pine Bush, N. Y.	
Unionville	Sheldon Vandeburg	106	5	3	2	1	165	30	88	3	3	1	1	1	111	276	24	1,955	Walkill, N. Y.	
Walden	Vacant	13	3	2	3	2	20	20	20	1	1	1	1	1	50	573	96	*8,846	Unionville, N. Y.	
Walpack, Lower	Theo. F. Bayles	302	17	12	3	8	540	160	21	6	6	20	1	1	300	573	96	8,846	Walden, N. Y.	
Walpack, Upper	Gerritt DeMott	180	32	9	8	2	325	101	11	14	55	1	1	1	301	384	96	3,228	Walkill, N. Y.	
West End	Vacant	20	3	1	3	1	22	38	22	1	1	1	1	1	38	10	1	559	Walpack, Upper, N. Y.	
West End	Vacant	106	36	8	1	1	153	24	5	10	1	1	1	1	170	10	1	559	Walpack, Upper, N. Y.	
Total	A. B. Boynton	2111	213	94	52	51	3560	290	915	95	84	157	110	25	2740	\$4,261	\$1,030	\$12,552	Port Jervis, N. Y.	
Other Ministers—		H. A. Hendrickson, Flushing, L. I., N. Y.; Gilbert S. Garredsen, Strafford, Conn.; W. W. Schoup, Beacon, N. Y.; George D. Lydecker, Grafton, Mass.; Peter Crispell, Newburgh, N. Y.; Benjamin T. Garredsen, Woodbourne, N. Y.; C. Morton Sciple, Napanoch, N. Y.; J. E. Crane, Wurtsboro, N. Y.; W. W. Wilcox, Walden, N. Y.																		
Classical Agents—		F. M., A. B. Boynton; L. M., Willard Conger; E. S. Vandeburg; P. and B. S. W. C. DeMott; D. M. F. and W. F. M. M. M. M.																		

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Stated Clerk—Wm. W. Schomp, Beacon, N. Y.

Treasurer—Sheldon Vandeburg, Walkill, N. Y.

*\$3,560 for a new pipe organ. †Last year's report.

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JUNE, 1917.

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CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census— Number of Families.	COMMUNICANTS.						Others En- rolled.		BAP.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.		C. C. & S. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.	
			Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Sunday Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Denomina- tional Objects.	Benevolent.	Other Objects.	Congregational.				
Acquackanonk	Edward Dawson	338	52	23	13	...	13	610	...	111	12	12	...	98	12	2	808	\$4,936	\$1,552	\$12,924	135 Paulison Av., Passaic	
Athenia	Henry J. Scudder	80	7	8	0	...	1	122	64	11	8	3	...	2	12	1	221	406	135	1,642	Athenia, N. J.	
Clarkstown	Supplied	65	6	4	0	0	0	112	60	50	3	2	...	1	12	1	95	70	32	1,650	West Nyack, N. Y.	
Clifton	John C. A. Becker	120	24	36	4	...	4	320	28	32	14	3	...	1	12	1	714	624	263	6,246	Clifton, N. J.	
Clifton, Holland	J. H. Te Grootenhuys	153	6	9	12	1	1	107	8	6	12	1	...	1	109	70	135	138	22	2,781	Clifton, N. J.	
Garfield	Eugene Hill	50	4	2	5	...	...	96	38	14	3	...	98	...	70	...	126	40	8	1,029	140 Passaic Av., Garfield
Glen Rock	Divinit C. Wetner	60	12	4	2	...	2	74	40	23	11	3	...	...	...	...	183	62	20	2,439	R. F. D. 1, Ridgewood
Hawthorne	Walter S. Blum	80	3	20	...	...	1	130	30	34	6	...	...	...	...	...	157	73	8	2,248	Hawthorne, N. J.
Honokus	John A. Terhune	50	2	...	...	...	...	60	20	18	5	2	...	...	...	...	114	65	20	750	Ridgewood, N. J.
Lodi, First Holland	John A. Van Dyke	93	0	3	0	...	0	138	25	10	9	...	8	...	...	...	135	253	180	2,442	91 Washington St., Lodi
Lodi, Second	A. J. van Houten	90	15	4	3	...	1	140	...	15	7	2	...	...	...	...	250	60	74	2,373	57 Main St., Lodi, N. J.
North Paterson	B. Van Arsdale	122	9	6	6	...	...	132	20	35	7	2	...	...	...	...	150	84	26	1,911	North Paterson, N. J.
Paramus	Henry D. Cook	160	7	5	2	3	183	...	15	12	1	...	...	...	...	...	370	685	75	3,374	Ridgewood, N. J.
Pascack	W. H. Vroom, P. Em.	107	6	6	2	...	3	137	...	27	2	4	...	...	...	...	108	356	46	2,672	Park Ridge, N. J.
Passaic, 1st Holland	Francis A. Seibert	371	8	14	17	13	697	150	6	27	...	...	...	600	228	1	518	1,647	238	8,063	141 Hamilton Av., Passaic
Passaic, North Broadway	A. M. Van Duine	212	9	1	10	6	407	...	80	25	3	...	...	2	293	2	478	1,115	110	*1,276	35 Hamilton Av., Passaic
Paterson, Ch. of Covenant	Simon Blocker	*233	19	4	3	308	...	76	12	1	71	28	1	503	539	539	*5,757	673 E. 27th St., Paterson
Paterson, 1st Holland	J. Collings Caton	70	4	19	...	2	132	33	...	1	80	110	110	5,571	37 E. 31st, Paterson
Paterson, 2nd	P. Siegers	100	13	1	5	3	165	...	...	...	...	...	...	236	68	1	112	53	48	5,110	Paterson, N. J.
Piermont	William J. Lonsdale	278	24	12	5	5	550	...	...	19	3	...	...	...	...	...	585	591	458	11,596	257 Graham Av., Paterson
Ramapo	T. W. Welles, P. Em.	*82	4	1	...	...	2	116	50	15	3	...	...	...	...	...	1	123	30	2,572	Piermont, N. J.
Ridgewood	John Muyskens, Jr.	143	3	2	...	...	1	159	80	32	13	9	...	...	...	...	2	388	89	3,233	Matwah, N. J.
Ridgewood, Upper Com'y	A. C. Dykema	230	6	3	5	7	438	90	75	10	1	...	...	60	100	1	200	1,688	520	49,678	Ridgewood, N. J.
Saddle River	J. A. Van Neste	40	51
	L. Van Kampen	80	1	5	1	3	93	32	5	4	...	24	1	52	49	21	1,341	Monsey, N. Y.	

CLASSIS OF PARAMUS.—P. S. N. B.—(Continued).

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																		Denomina- tional Objects.	Other Objects.		
Spring Valley	Albert Clarke Wyckoff	132	8	2	10	3	261	112	42	1	5	1	178	451	176	3,611	Spring Valley, N. Y.
Tappan	Henry A. Lewis	95	4	49	27	34	165	235	36	\$1,950	Tappan, N. Y.
Waldwick	E. Van Kampen	13	27	21	6	3	70	10	25	436	Waldwick, N. J.
Warwick	Taber Knox	185	4	5	5	13	379	50	83	1	4	50	175	1,535	727	3,293	Warwick, N. Y.
N. New Hempstead	H. T. Chadsey	36	3	65	21	46	11	250	Monsey, N. Y.
Wortendyke, 1st	Holland William	90	9	9	4	1	200	5	9	10	1	250	85	145	174	44	2,191	Wortendyke, N. J.
Wortendyke, Trinity	J. H. Whitehead	58	4	1	96	10	4	100	290	136	27	1,952	Ridgewood, N. J.
Total	3679	273	157	127	1	92	6493	923	863	251	68	1728	856	34	7430	\$17,139	\$5,621	\$112,176
<i>Other Ministers</i> —Cornelius R. Blauvelt, Nyack, N. Y.; Thos. S. Dusenberre, Pine Plains, N. Y.; Stephen W. Ryder, Amori, Japan; M. C. T. Andraee, Ridgewood, N. J.; D. Cornelius Ruigh, Morioko, Japan; Robt. M. Oford, Passaic, N. J.; N. H. Van Arsdale, 76 DeMott Ave., Clifton, N. J.; J. N. Morris, Passaic, N. J.																					
<i>Classical Agents</i> —F. M., Edward Dawson; D. M., Taber Knox; E. A. C. Wyckoff; P. and B. S. W., Willard D. Brown; Tem., W. J. Lonsdale. <i>Stated Clerk and Treasurer</i> —Ehren D. Hill, 140 Passaic Ave., Garfield, N. J.																					

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*\$5,858 paid on chapel improvements.
**Exclusive of about \$12,000 subscribed for Bible School Building.

\$Includes \$500 for parsonage improvements.
†\$1,500, repairs, etc.

CLASSIS OF PASSAIC.—P. S. N. B.

CHURCHES.

PASTORS.

P. O. ADDRESS.

Boonton	75	6	6	3	0	0	133	49	78	6	2	.....	.....	1	238	\$150	\$86	\$2,414	Boonton, N. J.
Fairfield	40	1	5	2	.....	.....	180	38	38	1	.....	.....	.....	1	118	10	7	1,535	Fairfield, N. J.
Little Falls, First	111	3	8	7	.....	2,894	29	74	4	1	.....	.....	13	1	290	565	105	4,187	Little Falls, N. J.
Little Falls, Second	45	2	3	3	.....	.....	89	30	.....	6	.....	.....	30	1	178	203	.....	1,894	Little Falls, N. J.
Montville	*50	.....	.....	.....	.....	64	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	45	20	.....	1,739	Montville.
Mountain Lakes	75	10	18	1	.....	87	26	11	6	3	.....	.....	.....	1	104	213	224	4,795	Mountain Lakes, N. J.
People's Park	150	16	29	5	0	4	250	25	0	13	0	350	200	1	300	214	79	5,273	Paterson, N. J.
Pompton	160	16	9	.....	1	2	256	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	205	85	168	3,363	Pompton Lakes, N. J.
Pompton Plains	247	30	12	6	0	11	360	238	78	10	17	135	26	4	458	909	336	4,372	Pompton Plains, N. J.
Ponds	72	2	3	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	91	36	28	1,498	Oakland, N. J.
Preakness	38	6	2	3	0	1	94	35	36	3	2	31	100	3	177	64	34	1,157	R. D. J. Paterson, N. J.
Riverside	115	14	6	6	.....	2	168	35	19	11	3	.....	.....	1	243	176	98	3,479	Paterson, N. J.
Sixth Holland	370	13	10	6	.....	33	648	100	40	22	.....	500	180	1	670	12,968	190	8,800	Paterson, N. J.
Totowa, First	150	4	3	14	0	8	252	.....	148	18	.....	.....	130	1	307	755	113	5,445	Paterson, N. J.
Union Reformed	215	15	5	4	.....	10	350	36	10	13	2	325	140	1	310	500	65	11,717	Paterson, N. J.
Wanaque	62	16	2	1	.....	73	36	39	25	5	15	.....	.....	1	191	29	19	1,315	Wanaque, N. J.
Wyckoff	106	11	5	5	.....	3	181	23	6	3	.....	.....	.....	1	185	127	36	43,829	Wyckoff, N. J.
Total	2,981	165	126	74	1	79	3,381	679	627	144	38	1,356	859	22	3,997	\$6,933	\$1,791	\$66,522	

Other Ministers—F. C. Scudder, Tindivanam, India; H. E. Nies, Paterson, N. J.
Classical Agents—F. M., F. E. Foerther; D. M., F. E. Dupue; E., S. Zandstra, Ph. D.; W. F. and D. M. F., John B. Church; P. and B. S. W., John B. Church; Tem., H. A. Deck.
Stated Clerk—Geo. W. Labaw, R. R. No. 1, Paterson, N. J.
Treasurer—John B. Church, 518 River St., Paterson, N. J.
 *Last year's report.
 \$Roll revised.
 \$72.05 for Arabian Mission not included.
 \$1,768 for new organ, but S. S. and Ladies' Aid not included.

CLASSIS OF PELLA.—P. S. C.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.										BAP.		No. of Baptized Non-		C. C. & S. S.		CONTRIBUTIONS.		P. O. ADDRESS.	
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																		Denomina- tional Objects.	Other Objects.		
Bethany	James Van der Heide	47	9	7	69	14	2	2	7	1	107	75	2	100	\$761	\$16	\$1,177 Sully, Iowa., R. F. D. 1.	
Bethel	S. De Bruine	44	3	.....	2	.....	.....	84	20	3	8	1	1	65	95	1	70	4724		1,833 Pella, Iowa., R. F. D. 1.
Central (Oskaloosa)	Vacant	20	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	35	11	7	5	5	5	25	12	1	50	37		775 Oskaloosa, Iowa.
Ebenezer	Anthony Rozendal	74	4	3	6	.....	1	138	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	151	80	1	160	43,972	61	2,480 Leighton, Iowa.
Eddyville	Vacant	17	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	32	2	14	5	5	5	53	22	1	60	57		1,204 Eddyville, Iowa.
Galesburg	Geo. G. Heneveld	11	3	1	1	.....	1	21	32	.....	.....	.....	.....	24	19	.....	.....	109	14	257 Killbuck, Iowa.
Killbuck	Vacant	22	16	4	1	.....	.....	46	55	10	4	.....	45	35	1	40	60	119		908 Killbuck, Iowa.
Muscantine	Edward Huibregtse	34	5	2	1	.....	1	54	8	3	7	1	1	83	45	1	105	144	157	632 Muscantine, Iowa.
New Sharon	Vacant	110	3	3	3	.....	1	168	60	12	25	.....	182	90	1	135	200	84,166	75	1,798 New Sharon, Iowa.
Otley	Peter Grooters	58	18	9	7	1	16	525	70	21	12	1	12	350	250	1	420	22,060	241	1,450 Otley, Iowa.	
Pella, First	J. Wesselink	177	8	7	5	.....	.....	4	400	65	60	5	3	115	65	1	450	23,121	189	3,686 Pella, Iowa.
Pella, Second	Vacant	145	13	22	4	1	9	300	65	2	14	1	305	175	1	1	250	17,640	253	2,233 Pella, Iowa.	
Pella, Third	Peter Braak	45	2	5	3	.....	1	91	18	.....	.....	6	1	92	57	1	122	276	10	1,484 Prairie City, Iowa.
Prairie City	Ph. G. Meengs	34	5	4	.....	.....	.....	53	20	1	.....	.....	.....	89	32	1	60	129	7	1,765 Sully, Iowa.
Sully	C. W. Deelsnyder	1060	94	70	50	2	36	2097	447	146	110	917	1058	15	2167	\$63,375	\$1,030	\$26,389		1,455 Sully, Iowa.	
Total																					
Other Ministers—H. P. DePree, Amoy, China; C. DeHaal, Pella, Iowa; B. F. Brinkman, Pella, Iowa; E. Van den Bergh, Muscantine, Ia. Classical Agents—D. M., J. Wesselink; F. M., G. G. Heneveld; E. S. DeBruine; P. and B. S. W., Edward Huibregtse; W. F. and D. M. F., Elder J. Dykstra; S. B., James Van der Heide; W. I. M., Ph. G. Meengs.																					
Stated Clerk and Treasurer—Anthony Rozendal, Leighton, Iowa. * \$425.00; † \$485.00; ‡ \$3,000.00; § \$3,100.00; ¶ \$21,000.00; ** \$5,940.00. Total Endowment of Central College, \$52,555.00.																					

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 Elder J. Dykstra; S. B., James Van der Heide; W. I. M., Ph. G. Meengs.
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 *\$425.00; †\$485.00; ‡\$3,000.00; §\$3,100.00; ¶\$18,605.00; **\$21,000.00; ††\$5,940.00. Total Endowment of Central College, \$52,555.00.

CLASSIS OF PHILADELPHIA.—P. S. N. B.

JUNE, 1917.

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N. and S. Hampton.	Jos. Stockton Roddy.	110	6	7	8	...	2	213	35	67	9	4	3	473	\$310	\$31	\$2,085	Churchville, Pa.	
Harlingen	W. L. Sahler	98	40	6	10	...	12	234	13	69	1	35	...	...	...	**3	322	701	632	2,563	Harlingen, N. J.
Neshanic	John Hart	80	54	9	...	...	4	236	20	60	9	35	...	...	...	**3	198	475	137	2,904	Neshanic, N. J.
Philadelphia, First.	Vacant	148	20	3	...	...	1	228	55	54	1	2	...	...	...	...	311	345	311	13,384	15 and Dauphin Sts., Ph.
Philadelphia, Second	T. W. McKinstry	15	945	530 Arch St., Phila., Pa.
Philadelphia, Fourth	John H. S. Putnam	184	30	18	6	...	3	360	96	167	13	2	...	...	...	12	462	435	82	5,223	310 Monastery Av., Phila.
Blawenburg	Henry K. Hotaling	56	1	2	4	...	2	132	20	20	...	2	...	...	...	...	135	223	20	1,408	Blawenburg, N. J.
Stanton	Vacant	44	1	1	1	...	4	80	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	52	56	54	416	Stanton, N. J.
Clover Hill	Charles W. Pitcher	40	2	2	1	...	3	208	...	20	1	2	...	...	...	...	48	50	97	906	Clover Hill, N. J.
Philadelphia, Fifth	C. F. C. Suckow	113	2	2	1	...	3	208	68	6	...	2	...	...	...	...	202	277	97	2,105	2223 E. Sus. Av., Phila.
Addisville	A. J. Walter	96	2	3	1	...	4	136	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	135	253	97	1,916	Richboro, Pa.
Three Bridges	M. N. Kalemjian	80	8	5	1	...	3	171	45	35	1	3	...	...	...	...	106	134	98	1,805	Three Bridges, N. J.
Philadelphia, Talmage	W. R. Rearick	125	6	6	2	...	2	220	50	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	37	134	98	3,498	Peelin St., Phila.
Timmons-ville, S. C.	A. J. Wilkinson	*11	3	2	...	...	1	23	27	...	...	3	...	...	...	*1	490	400	1,800	...	Timmons-ville, S. C.
Florence, S. C.	H. A. Barnes	9	1	2	...	...	21	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	30	3	2	...	Florence, S. C.
Total		1109	148	58	46	3	43	2407	409	500	59	62	170	206	22	3034	\$3,731	\$3,381	\$29.			

Other Ministers—N. I. M. Bogert, Metuchen, N. J.; Wm. Schmitz, Bushkill, Pa.; John S. Van Orden, Spring Valley, N. Y.; Horace P. Craig, Bingham, Maine; Isaac Ward, Manayunk, Philadelphia, Pa.; G. A. T. Goebel, Easton, Pa.

Classical Agents—F. M., W. L. Sahler; D. M., M. N. Kalemjian; E., C. F. C. Suckow; P. and B. S. W., W. R. Rearick; D. M. F., and W. F.

Stated Clerk and Treasurer—Andrew Judson Walter, Richboro, Pa.

Tem., H. K. Hotaling.

•••Last year's report.

•••One a union school.

†Includes \$1,000 paid off on church debt.

CLASSIS OF PLEASANT PRAIRIE.—P. S. C.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.										Others En-rolled.	BAP.	C. C. & S. S.				CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.	
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																			Denomina-tional Objects.	Other Objects.		Congregational.
Alexander	John Schaefer	38	...	2	1	54	100	6	126	27	1	65	\$311	\$125	\$868	Alexander, Iowa.		
Aplington	George Schnucker	60	6	5	1	...	1	74	85	...	...	7	...	95	43	124	762	547	1,350	Aplington, Iowa.
Ballsville	L. Watermuller, S. S.	42	...	...	...	...	...	52	49	1	4	...	53	11	1	50	257	212	854	Ballsville, Illinois.
Bristow	A. Wubben	36	6	1	...	...	...	33	30	...	...	2	60	10	1	40	286	7	861	Bristow, Iowa.
Buffalo Center	J. H. Schoon	80	5	2	1	...	...	110	140	2	12	1	260	38	1	140	789	398	1,534	Buffalo Center, Iowa.
Dumont	Vacant	27	...	1	...	...	...	35	34	4	6	...	20	16	1	54	164	14	484	Dumont, Iowa.
Ebenezer	Wm. Diekhoff	98	2	...	...	...	4	70	150	4	3	...	175	17	1	98	615	140	1,058	Oregon, Illinois.
Elim	F. H. Kroesche	34	...	...	...	...	...	65	40	...	...	3	...	60	7	62	174	4	772	Kings, Illinois.
Fairview	Vacant	15	...	...	...	...	...	14	29	2	...	...	9	...	1	39	138	...	233	Allison, Iowa.
Forreston	J. G. Theilken	79	9	1	...	...	5	103	150	...	...	7	1	88	40	113	1,518	163	2,375	Forreston, Ill.
Immanuel	E. H. Thormann	57	5	...	2	...	1	76	21	10	12	...	180	35	1	122	391	343	1,338	Belmont, Iowa.		
Meservey	H. Pannkuk	50	...	...	1	...	...	68	60	8	7	...	160	46	2	97	1,229	60	1,646	Meservey, Iowa.
Monroe	E. K. Russmann	45	10	1	...	...	3	40	47	15	21	...	195	16	2	95	423	98	1,350	Aplington, Iowa.
Parkersburg	D. Siemsen	56	1	...	2	...	...	1	45	78	4	10	1	105	40	88	620	60	1,386	Parkersburg, Iowa.
Pekin, Second	Vacant	42	...	...	...	...	3	101	17	10	7	...	113	16	1	106	147	10	1,638	Pekin, Illinois.
Peoria	A. J. Reeves	45	2	...	2	...	...	1	47	48	...	9	...	48	9	135	223	9	1,675	418 Reed Av., Peoria, Ill.
Ramsay	G. Haken	43	...	...	...	...	5	106	...	...	2	14	161	40	1	90	382	147	1,538	Titonka, Iowa.
Silver Creek	A. C. Kroesche	114	13	...	2	...	1	126	203	6	12	1	174	52	1	170	1,339	623	2,040	German Valley, Ill.		
Stout	F. Reeves	53	6	4	1	...	1	61	84	...	2	9	5	94	40	113	1,010	181	1,582	Stout, Iowa.		
Washington	Geo. Bonte	68	1	...	...	...	3	64	...	...	7	...	...	...	1	72	...	224	433	Ackley, Iowa.
Wellsburg	Wm. Landsiedel	70	10	2	1	...	5	61	160	8	14	...	12	48	1	178	1,053	350	2,250	Wellsburg, Iowa.		
Zion	W. T. Janssen	38	...	...	...	...	1	59	16	17	6	...	110	52	1	83	664	20	1,060	Chapin, Iowa.
Total		1190	76	22	15	2	42	1464	1541	106	179	9	2298	603	23	2134	\$12,525	\$3,735	\$27,445			

Other Ministers—A. F. Beyer, D. D., Principal Pleasant Prairie Academy, German Valley, Illinois; G. Veenker, Classical Missionary, Mason City, Iowa; L. Watermuller, Freeport, Ill.; H. Potgeiter, Oregon, Ill.; Dan Schaefer, Freeport, Ill.; F. Bosch, Pella, Iowa; G. Zindler, Aplington, Iowa. Classical Agents—F. M., J. H. Schoon; D. M., F. Reeves; E., D. Schaefer; P. and B. S. W., H. Pannkuk; W. T. S., J. G. Theilken; W. I. M., W. Landsiedel.

M., Stated Clerk and Treasurer—G. Schnucker, Aplington, Iowa.

CLASSIS OF RARITAN.—P. S. N. B.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census— Number of Families.	COMMUNICANTS.					Others En- rol- led.		BAP.		C. C. & S. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.		P. O. ADDRESS.		
			Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total row in Communion.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized Non- Communicants.	Catechumens.	Number of Sunday Schools.	Total Enrollment.		Denomina- tional Objects.	Benevolent Objects.	Congregational.
First, Raritan	Wm. S. Cramer	208	13	10	13	17	443	...	80	8	2	...	30	1	300	\$1,588	\$318	\$8,329	Somerville, N. J.
Readington	E. V. D. Wyckoff	105	19	1	7	7	205	90	...	6	9	...	110	2	150	300	79	1,402	Readington, N. J.
Bedminster	Thos. Gilbert Mallory	102	9	1	1	3	172	26	59	7	5	29	15	1	160	774	271	2,222	Bedminster, N. J.
Lebanon	Chadlus J. Fingar	125	27	2	6	5	300	25	75	7	10	25	43	1	260	523	75	4,955	Lebanon, N. J.
Rockaway	A. C. Van Raalte	78	4	2	3	2	155	55	14	3	3	33	38	1	101	...	10	1,225	Whitehouse Station, N. J.
North Branch	Louis F. Sauerbrunn	100	12	9	9	2	161	25	...	3	3	...	...	1	179	406	48	1,536	North Branch, N. J.
Second, Raritan	Jos. R. Sizoo	347	17	18	17	5	928	...	83	...	...	...	...	1	721	2,638	680	9,831	Somerville, N. J.
Peapack	Frederick N. Baeder	100	4	4	1	1	226	60	80	6	2	...	...	1	195	194	115	2,847	Peapack, N. J.
South Branch	Isaac Sperling	72	4	1	4	4	151	51	69	3	...	23	15	2	154	215	105	1,500	South Branch, N. J.
Third, Raritan	J. A. Lumley	90	5	11	7	6	183	60	37	11	1	...	...	1	285	437	112	5,137	Raritan, N. J.
Pottersville	Vacant	48	3	3	3	2	96	24	...	...	...	...	...	1	75	71	4	42,335	Pottersville, N. J.
High Bridge	David R. Reese	108	3	9	3	4	255	35	12	4	...	77	...	1	170	196	84	3,030	High Bridge, N. J.
Amandale	Howard R. Furbeck	60	1	2	6	1	100	...	...	3	1	...	...	1	115	45	50	2,650	Amandale, N. J.
Fourth, Raritan	Henry J. Wahl	56	10	3	1	5	180	35	20	9	3	9	1	1	110	100	150	1,600	Somerville, N. J.
Total		1539	128	63	77	62	3585	486	529	70	33	190	217	18	2975	37,482	\$2,101	\$48,599	

Other Ministers—E. G. Read, 825 Second Place, Plainfield, N. J.; Wm. E. Davis, Lebanon, N. J.
 Classical Agents—F. M., C. J. Fingar; D. M., H. J. Wahl; E., H. R. Furbeck; P. and B. S. W., F. N. Baeder; W. F. and D. M. F., C. G. Mal-
 lory.

Stated Clerk and Treasurer—B. V. D. Wyckoff, Readington, N. J.

*Revised roll.

† 2 Union.

‡ \$1,234.95 for chapel fund.

CLASSIS OF RENNELSLAER.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.										BAP.		C. C. & S. S.		CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.	
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			Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.										Benevolent.	Other Objects.		
Blooming Grove	J. C. Bulness	48	9	4	4	1	164	54	76	4	2	4	1	4	1	287	\$125	\$102	\$1,592	Troy, N. Y., R. D. 4.
Castleton (Emmanuel)	E. A. McCullom	180	7	4	4	4	435	54	76	10	2	2	1	2	1	267	301	\$102	3,146	Castleton, N. Y.
Chatham	W. J. Leggett	154	6	8	3	4	230	86	56	7	4	36	1	1	1	355	551	80	3,377	Chatham, N. Y.
Ghent, First	John Black	59	4	1	5	2	70	35	70	2	2	33	1	1	1	84	355	27	855	Ghent, N. Y.
Ghent, Second	P. DeMeester	63	2	1	3	6	132	20	32	3	1	29	1	1	1	82	200	13	1,332	Ghent, N. Y.
Greenbush	W. C. Simpson	135	4	2	1	1	182	125	30	13	1	50	1	1	1	100	296	56	2,290	East Greenbush, N. Y.
Kinderhook	E. C. Vanderhaan	136	9	5	4	8	255	100	33	7	4	1	1	1	1	249	1,129	149	2,061	Kindershook, N. Y.
Nassau	E. A. Collier, P. Em.	87	5	1	2	3	162	25	60	3	3	1	1	1	1	117	282	23	1,250	Nassau, N. Y.
New Concord	D. H. Christensen	21	1	1	1	1	4	38	16	14	1	3	1	1	1	47	11	16	336	Ghent, N. Y.
Rensselaer, First	D. J. Mary, Jr.	69	7	2	6	4	80	20	15	5	2	1	1	1	1	96	123	5	971	Rensselaer, N. Y.
Schoelack	J. W. Fisher, Jr.	68	1	3	3	1	116	25	35	3	1	1	1	1	1	62	119	.....	1,221	Schoelack, N. Y.
Schoelack Landing	Vacant	42	1	2	2	4	74	8	24	1	1	1	1	1	1	30	20	.....	1,128	Schoelack Landing, N. Y.
Stuyvesant	C. H. Schneegas	29	6	1	1	1	62	25	15	1	1	1	1	1	1	53	20	.....	1,200	Stuyvesant, N. Y.
Stuyvesant Falls	Vacant	28	15	1	15	1	53	25	15	1	1	1	1	1	1	53	20	.....	1,200	Stuyvesant Falls, N. Y.
Total .....	.....	1,110	51	29	54	43	1,983	539	445	51	18	142	24	16	1,632	\$3,512	\$471	\$20,729	.....

Other Ministers—Isaac S. Schenck, New Brunswick, N. J.

Classical Agents—F. M. P. DeMeester; D. M. D. H. Christensen; E., J. C. Bulness; P. and B. S. W., D. J. Many, Jr.; D. M. F. and W. F.,

J. S. Hosford, Kinderhook; Tem., E. A. McCullom,
Stated Clerk and Treasurer—E. A. Collier, Kinderhook, N. Y.

CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.										Others Enrolled.	BAP.	C. C. & S. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.		P. O. ADDRESS.			
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																				Denominational Objects.	Other Objects.	
Abbe	Vacant	149	29	5	3	319	9	8	174	35	1	249	\$722	\$97	\$3,014	Clymer, N. Y.			
Arvada	Simon M. Hogenboom	74	10	2	.....	.....	1	290	.....	6	6	2	63	1	55	165	50	3,065	Newark, N. Y.
Brighton	Andrew Stegenga	129	17	7	14	.....	1	241	15	9	2	110	25	1	205	319	104	3,400	Rochester, N. Y.		
Buffalo	Wm. R. Torrens	61	2	13	42	.....	3	115	10	6	2	45	.....	1	25	319	189	3,000	Buffalo, N. Y.	
Clymer Hill	Benjamin DeYoung	78	25	1	.....	.....	3	158	4	3	4	13	33	1	156	492	111	1,379	Clymer, N. Y.	
Cutting	Vacant	17	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	28	20	1	6	.....	.....	1	60	17	.....	104	Clymer, N. Y.
East Williamson	John Osewaarde	145	26	7	14	.....	9	365	10	44	19	3	125	1	261	1,379	106	2,205	East Williamson, N. Y.		
First, Marion	D. Lawrence Betten	84	20	1	.....	.....	1	188	25	6	1	1	20	1	185	283	50	2,080	Marion, N. Y.	
Second, Marion	John Wolterink	115	11	7	11	.....	6	254	9	40	16	1	52	1	260	555	52	2,514	Marion, N. Y.		
Ontario	Gerrit H. Hospers	68	19	3	4	.....	3	172	6	15	4	4	130	1	129	155	18	1,514	Ontario, N. Y.		
Palmyra	Gerrit Flikkema	75	3	2	5	.....	1	193	4	2	20	.....	12	1	190	254	10	1,580	Palmyra, N. Y.	
Pulneyville	Henry E. Tellman	70	.....	6	8	.....	1	170	10	2	4	.....	50	1	190	408	.....	1,852	Pulneyville, N. Y.
First, Rochester	Vacant	160	.....	7	6	.....	8	364	11	26	3	.....	134	1	345	491	145	5,428	Rochester, N. Y.
Second, Rochester	John A. Thurston	128	.....	1	5	.....	238	70	57	7	.....	134	.....	1	250	568	76	3,688	Rochester, N. Y.
Sodus	Vacant	35	.....	9	1	.....	67	15	7	.....	3	36	.....	1	74	48	.....	600	Sodus, N. Y.
Tyre	Sundiel	38	37	7	.....	.....	3	76	.....	.....	3	41	3	1	60	159	.....	565	Sodus, N. Y.
Williamson	C. Vander Schoor	49	21	35	3	.....	1	104	20	.....	19	2	30	1	135	240	52	874	Williamson, N. Y.	
Total	.....	1475	211	112	116	.....	41,252	229	239	132	81	1638	392	17	3155	\$6,474	\$1,040	\$24,509	.....		

Other Ministers—G. Daugremont, Newark, N. Y.; P. G. M. Bahler, Williamson, N. Y.; S. A. Shilsra, Telford, Pa.
Classical Agents—F. M. G. H. Hospers; D. M., D. L. Betten; E., H. E. Tellman; D. M. F. and W. F., A. Stegenga; P. and B. S. W., J. Wolterink; Tem., G. Flikkema.
Stated Clerk and Treasurer—P. G. M. Bahler, Williamson, N. Y.
 *Revised list.

CLASSIS OF SARATOGA.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.										Others En-rolled.		BAP.	C. C. & S. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.																
		Number of Families.					Total now in Communion.					Adherents.			Absent List.		Infants.		Adults.			No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.		Catechumens.		No. of Sunday Schools.		Total Enrollment.		Benevolent.		Congregational.					
		Census—	Received on Confession	Received on Certificate	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	Catechumens.	No. of Sunday Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Denomina-tional Objects.	Other Objects.	Benevolent.	Congregational.		Census—	Received on Confession	Received on Certificate	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	Catechumens.	No. of Sunday Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Denomina-tional Objects.
The Bight	Oliver H. Walser, S. S.	36	1	2	3	1	59	59	20	20	4	1	1	50	1	50	\$44	\$21	\$506	Cohoes, N. Y.																	
Buskirk	Vacant	28	6	4	5	2	28	28	20	20	10	1	1	25	1	25	140	440	513	Buskirk, N. Y.																	
Cohoes	Oliver H. Walser.	215	6	4	5	9	384	384	10	10	10	1	1	265	1	265	680	440	4,570	Cohoes, N. Y.																	
*Easton	Vacant	35	32	1	1	2	36	36	40	40	3	29	1	106	1	106	28	33	548	Fort Miller, N. Y.																	
Fort Miller	W. Kinney, S. S.	67	4	1	1	4	129	129	40	40	3	29	1	106	1	106	28	33	655	Gansevoort, N. Y.																	
Gansevoort	Classical Missionary	46	4	1	1	4	67	67	18	18	2	4	2	143	2	143	49	41	1,850	Gansevoort, N. Y.																	
Greenwich	F. C. Scoville.	80	11	2	4	2	185	185	47	47	1	6	1	110	1	110	509	168	1,850	Greenwich, N. Y.																	
*Northumberland	Classical Missionary	35	8	4	6	5	107	107	22	22	13	7	1	100	1	100	118	24	912	Schuylerville, N. Y.																	
Saratoga	Charles W. Kinney.	105	41	6	6	6	168	168	25	40	1	27	1	125	1	125	167	25	2,224	Schuylerville, N. Y.																	
Schaghticoke	Classical Missionary	30	1	1	3	1	66	66	43	43	3	17	1	30	1	30	3	35	260	Schaghticoke, N. Y.																	
West Troy	H. F. Hamlin.	115	10	6	10	4	234	234	59	59	3	17	1	156	1	156	437	35	3,776	Watervliet, N. Y.																	
Wynantskill	Supplied	68	27	19	3	4	148	148	30	35	7	17	1	120	1	120	59	11	43,460	Wynantskill, N. Y.																	
Total		860	140	42	36	1	35,161	75,324	44	91	60	12	1230	1230	\$2,214	\$798	\$19,364																				

Other Ministers—Lyman E. Davis, Sharpsburg, Pa.; Philip T. Phelps, 158 Jay St., Albany, N. Y.; John G. Smart, Cambridge, N. Y.; Arthur LeGrande Berger, Gansevoort, N. Y.

Classical Agents—D. M., Oliver H. Walser; F. M., Henry F. Hamlin; E., F. C. Scoville; P. and B. S. W., A. LeGrande Berger; Tem., C. W. Kinney.

Classical Missionary—Arthur LeGrande Berger, Gansevoort, N. Y.

Stated Clerk—Oliver H. Walser, Cohoes, N. Y.

Treasurer—S. B. Ketchum, Wynantskill, N. Y.

* Last year's report. Includes \$2,300 for church repairs.

CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census— Number of Families.	COMMUNICANTS.							Others En- rolled.		BAP.		C. C. & S. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.
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																	Benevolent.	Other Objects.	Congregational.	
Beaverdam	A. A. Seso.	52	1	2	1	1	2	69	1	1	64	\$5	...	\$550	Berne, N. Y.
Berne	A. A. Seso.	55	3	9	1	1	1	101	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	95	237	\$30	948	Berne, N. Y.
Cobleskill	Jas. L. Amerman.	38	1	5	1	1	44	41	25	...	5	...	...	...	1	53	108	518	Cobleskill, N. Y.	
Gilboa	Vacant	46	1	1	1	1	46	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	730	...	...	Gilboa, N. Y.	
Grand Gorge	Vacant	30	1	1	1	1	45	52	...	...	4	...	...	...	1	56	16	9	\$1,818	Grand Gorge, N. Y.
Howes Cave, First	Jas. L. Amerman.	46	6	3	8	4	113	72	17	...	...	...	...	...	1	53	94	2	592	Cobleskill, N. Y.
Howes Cave, Second	Harry C. Morehouse.	72	6	3	4	2	115	35	35	...	...	...	...	...	1	126	115	40	1,459	Howes Cave, N. Y.
Lawyersville	Charles W. Smith.	84	75	14	11	1	163	35	25	...	66	...	...	...	1	130	115	22	1,374	Lawyersville, N. Y.
Middleburg	George Z. Collier.	62	1	1	1	1	101	16	25	...	1	...	...	...	1	111	196	27	1,230	Middleburg, N. Y.
North Blenheim	Vacant	22	1	1	1	2	30	25	17	...	...	...	...	...	1	45	12	4	287	North Blenheim, N. Y.
Prattsville	Vacant	45	1	1	1	1	42	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	50	170	141	255	Prattsville, N. Y.
Schoharie	W. Dumont Conklin.	73	16	3	5	4	122	23	22	...	2	...	...	...	1	101	170	141	1,505	Schoharie, N. Y.
Sharon	Charles W. Smith.	50	15	9	4	1	96	30	37	...	13	...	...	...	1	87	73	2	903	Schoharie, N. Y.
South Gilboa	V. Ziegler, S. S.	30	8	1	1	1	74	...	...	...	8	...	...	...	1	60	10	...	381	South Gilboa, N. Y.
Total		685	127	38	35	20	1,123	294	178	31	103	117	12	14	1061	\$1,151	\$288	\$1		

Other Ministers—John H. Bradow, Synodical Missionary, P. S. A.; 59 Manning Boulevard, Albany, N. Y.; E. J. Rulifson, Clinton, N. Y.; John H. Searlet, Newtonville, N. Y.; Wm. A. Wurts, Sharon Springs, N. Y.; P. and B. S. W., A. A. Seso; Tem., F. L. Casper.
 Classical Agents—F. M., Charles W. Smith; D. M., W. D. Conklin; Harry C. Morehouse, Howes Cave, N. Y.
 Stated Clerk and Treasurer—Harry C. Morehouse, Howes Cave, N. Y.
 * Revised list. † Last year's report. \$1,050 for parsonage debt. \$Have been transferred to Classis of Ulster.

CLASSIS OF ULSTER.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.										Others En-rolled.		BAP.	C. C. & S. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.	
		Census—Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.		Catechumens.	No. of Sunday Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Denomina-tional Objects.		Benevolent.		Congregational.
Blue Mountain	Vacant	90	...	...	2	...	2	177	75	90	1	1	1	100	2	100	\$44	\$5	\$507	Saugerties, N. Y.	
Church of the Comforter	Wilbur F. Stowe	171	67	35	1	...	2	338	104	69	13	36	40	106	1	1	290	169	45	2,540	Kingston, N. Y.	
Esopus	C. Van Oostenbrugge	75	23	7	3	...	3	121	...	...	3	12	...	...	1	1	105	40	7	900	Ulster Park, N. Y.
Flushing	Vacant	59	1	1	3	...	1	109	24	41	...	1	...	...	1	1	109	57	...	1,050	Saugerties, N. Y.
High Woods	Vacant	44	3	1	8	...	9	79	30	28	...	6	2	...	1	1	98	180	19	2,807	Mt. Marion, N. Y.	
Jay Gould Memorial	William Shuckair	79	6	6	1	...	7	147	65	20	...	6	2	...	1	1	95	27	30	904	Roxbury, N. Y.	
Katsbaan	Allen F. Mardey	55	6	1	3	...	7	104	30	...	...	5	2	...	1	1	95	27	30	904	Saugerties, N. Y.
Kingsdon	J. L. Leeper	225	10	11	7	...	5	552	...	75	5	2	...	2	2	300	2,179	19	8,060	Kingston, N. Y.		
Plattekill	Vacant	55	...	...	4	...	11	94	...	...	...	3	...	...	1	1	42	65	...	762	Mt. Marion, N. Y.
Port Ewen	Homer L. Sheffer	125	5	3	5	...	5	200	...	51	...	3	...	...	1	1	181	142	47	1,745	Port Ewen, N. Y.
Saugerties	J. V. Wemple	125	5	9	2	...	6	220	...	40	...	3	...	...	1	1	75	363	25	3,900	Saugerties, N. Y.
Shandaken	Frank D. Blanchard	40	1	1	...	...	50	50	40	...	...	2	...	...	1	1	66	50	...	350	Shokan, N. Y.
Shokan	Frank D. Blanchard	35	2	2	...	...	61	50	100	...	...	2	...	...	1	1	165	100	20	400	Shokan, N. Y.
West Hurley	Henry W. Brink	20	2	3	1	...	35	30	28	...	...	1	5	...	1	1	50	15	10	214	Woodstock, N. Y.
Woodstock	Henry W. Brink	63	13	6	...	4	122	60	18	...	...	3	...	...	1	1	85	64	25	971	Woodstock, N. Y.
Total		1273	137	72	32	...	56	2409	518	550	39	60	90	276	19	1831	\$3,528	\$312	\$25,566			

Other Ministers—C. H. Polhemus, Ulster Park, N. Y.; George W. Gulick, Briarcliffe Manor, N. Y.

Classical Agents—F. M., W. F. Stowe; D. M., J. L. Leeper; E., W. Sinclair; W. F. and D. M. F., C. Van Oostenbrugge; P. and B. S. W., H. L. Sheffer; Tem., J. V. Wemple; S. B., G. W. Gulick.

Stated Clerk and Treasurer—H. W. Brink, Woodstock, N. Y.

The churches of Grand Gorge and South Gilboa have been transferred from Classis of Schoharie to the Classis of Ulster. For statistics of those churches see Classis of Schoharie.

CLASSIS OF WESTCHESTER.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.						Others En-rolled.	BAP.	C. C. & S. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.						
		Census—Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.			Total now in Communion.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.		Catechumens.	Number of Sunday Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Denominational Objects.	Other Objects.	Congregational.
Bronxville	Otis T. Barnes	130	5	24	9	2	2	230	.....	34	10	3	.....	.....	1	237	\$1,622	\$51	\$6,568	Bronxville, N. Y.
Cortlandtown	Claus Olandt	85	5	.....	.....	.....	145	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	245	.....	.....	.....	Montrose, P. Y.
Crescent Place	John S. Allen, S. S.	54	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	190	.....	.....	.....	Shenwood, P. Y.
Greenburgh	A. V. S. Wallace	75	4	.....	.....	.....	1	78	35	16	7	2	.....	.....	.....	125	434	50	884	Elmsford, N. Y.
Greenville	C. A. Hallbeck	37	5	.....	.....	.....	1	56	25	25	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	169	.....	.....	.....	Scarsdale.
Hastings	Elias W. Thompson	144	6	.....	.....	.....	1	213	200	78	6	1	.....	.....	.....	258	95	75	4,051	Hastings-on-Hudson, N. Y.
Hungarian, Peekskill	Louis H. Hamory	44	14	.....	.....	.....	3	72	5	.....	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	319	1,152	259	5,865	Mt. Vernon, N. Y.
Mount Vernon	Chas. H. Tyndall	185	13	11	14	.....	3	460	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	319	1,152	259	5,865	Mt. Vernon, N. Y.
Mile Square, Yonkers	Supplied	49	17	.....	.....	.....	8	88	7	25	5	3	.....	.....	.....	130	1,215	22	1,382	Mile Sq., Yonkers, N. Y.
Nyack	Sartell Prentice	180	3	7	4	.....	9	320	45	102	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	260	1,408	497	4,905	Nyack, N. Y.
Park Hill, Yonkers	Vacant	253	12	27	.....	.....	7	474	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15	1,382	57	7,156	15 Morris Cres., Yonkers.
Peekskill	James Mulder	54	8	11	3	.....	5	83	25	41	6	4	71	42	.....	129	1,103	58	1,594	Peekskill, N. Y.
Searsdale	Supplied	27	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	29	80	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	27	13	5	360	Scarsdale, N. Y.
Tarrytown, First	Supplied	130	18	3	4	.....	10	260	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	227	1,473	1,901	6,241	Tarrytown, N. Y.
Tarrytown, Second	John K. Allen	129	10	12	5	.....	5	202	7	75	5	2	.....	.....	.....	158	413	193	4,100	Tarrytown, N. Y.
Unionville	Lucas Boeve	74	4	2	.....	.....	3	116	70	26	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	141	68	.....	2,296	Hawthorne, N. Y.
Yonkers, First	J. C. Forbes	191	22	1	2	.....	3	474	75	46	7	5	.....	.....	.....	305	290	183	4,627	41 S. B'd'y., Yonkers, N. Y.
Total	Frederick W. Cutler	1,341	151	102	81	.....	61	3,350	567	625	84	29	152	76	19	2,931	\$8,815	\$4,092	\$52,832	Yonkers, N. Y.	

Other Ministers—Rev. L. Curry Andrews, Pittsfield, Mass.; Rev. F. M. Bogardus, Asbury Park, N. J.; Rev. H. J. Bogardus, M. D., Jersey City, N. J.; Rev. John G. Gebhard, Mt. Vernon, N. Y.; Rev. Henri DeVrie, Peekskill, N. Y.; Rev. Frank Scudder, Honolulu, H. I.; Rev. Jacob Weber, 359 Riverdale Ave., Yonkers, N. Y.; W. P. Bruce, 25 East 22d St., N. Y. City; F. L. Brownlee, Scarsdale, N. Y.

Classical Agents—F. M. C. Olandt; D. M. C. Olandt; J. C. Forbes; P. and B. S. W. J. C. Forbes; Tem., J. S. Allen.

Stated Clerk—Rev. Lucas Boeve, Tarrytown, N. Y.

Treasurer—Dr. L. V. Waldron, 27 Radford St., Yonkers, N. Y.

CLASSIS OF WISCONSIN.—P. S. C.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census— Number of Families.	COMMUNICANTS.							Others En- rolled.		BAP.	C. C. & S. S.				CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.	
			Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Infants.		Adults.	No. of Baptized Non- Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			
															Catechumens.	No. of Sunday Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent.			
																		Denomina- tional Objects.	Other Objects.		Congregational.
Alto	Gerrit J. Hekhuis.....	169	26	4	5	.....	9	424	52	1	16	3	280	260	1	283	\$3,862	\$570	\$2,870	Waupun, Wis., R. R. 22.
Baldwin	A. T. Laman.....	102	9	1	6	.....	2	235	15	14	14	.....	255	130	1	377	1,076	75	1,973	Baldwin, Wis.
Cedar Grove	Cor. Kuyper	170	12	8	15	.....	4	425	10	.....	12	.....	220	160	1	300	1,660	150	2,500	Cedar Grove, Wis.
Chicago, First	Henry Schipper	170	25	8	11	1	4	271	160	7	9	.....	310	120	1	245	1,190	941	5,341	1537 Hastings St., Chic'o.
Chicago, West Side	H. J. Pieterpol	72	15	12	5	.....	1	142	33	.....	10	.....	162	90	1	173	415	23	3,679	1323 S. 60th Ave., Cicero.
Danforth	Peter C. De Jong	50	13	.....	1	.....	2	126	9	5	4	.....	104	50	1	100	172	16	1,200	Danforth, Ill.
De Motte	Peter Swart	75	8	5	7	.....	1	131	10	.....	12	.....	141	80	1	84	704	99	1,235	Thayer, Ind.
Englewood, First	J. M. Lumkes	215	19	12	15	1	6	350	125	.....	30	3	330	150	1	250	450	900	6,090	848 W. 62d St., Chicago.
Englewood, Second	Lawrence Dykstra	90	11	10	6	1	132	20	30	14	1	175	40	1	225	659	20	3,431	197 W. 66th St., Chicago.		
Forestville	Paul E. A. Schroeder	21	10	8	.....	.....	44	6	6	.....	11	1	79	42	1	61	166	.....	523	Ringle, Wis., R. R. 1.
Franklin	Vacant .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Friesland	A. Van der Werf	43	7	6	12	.....	2	161	10	.....	23	.....	280	100	1	160	542	122	2,300	Friesland, Wis.
Fulton, First	Win. Van Vleet	285	10	14	18	.....	2	320	316	10	21	.....	788	200	1	217	1,233	595	3,500	Fulton, Ill.
Fulton, Second	M. E. Koster	57	23	31	.....	.....	108	29	.....	.....	4	.....	141	106	1	219	1,466	135	14,548	Fulton, Ill.
Gano, Chicago	John Stetsma	113	9	2	7	.....	5	230	7	18	8	.....	252	75	1	225	236	112	3,073	11623 Perry Ave., Chic'o.
Gibbsville	John H. Straks	137	15	1	10	.....	8	316	10	5	10	.....	249	150	1	270	1,469	75	1,179	Sheboygan Falls, Wis.
Greenleafston	Matt J. Duven	100	.....	.....	3	1	5	186	27	12	12	.....	213	112	1	286	966	81	2,079	Preston, Minn., R. R. 5.
Hingham	H. Dykhuizen	100	6	5	7	.....	1	214	10	6	20	2	179	98	1	185	478	52	2,332	Hingham, Wis.
Indianapolis	Vacant, C. J. Nauta, C.	17	5	.....	7	.....	28	7	4	8	.....	.....	31	14	1	15	72	10	663	340 Trowbridge St., In's.
Lafayette	J. J. Althuis.....	51	3	.....	10	.....	3	92	8	.....	6	.....	145	52	1	110	135	28	1,089	1123 N. 14th St., Lafayette.

CLASSIS OF WISCONSIN.—P. S. C.—(Continued).

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.						Others En-rolled.	BAP.	C. C. & S. S.				CONTRIBUTIONS.		P. O. ADDRESS.						
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Lansing	W. J. Duiker	108	13	5	8	...	3	224	10	...	18	1	230	108	1	200	\$789	\$108	\$2,093	Lansing, Ill.		
Milwaukee	Henry M. Bruins	103	8	3	8	...	3	282	10	15	3	...	100	51	1	220	890	106	3,570	1015 Harmon St., Milwaukee		
Morrison, Ebenezer	Jean A. Vis	145	12	4	9	...	3	229	70	...	22	1	400	130	1	240	957	41	2,703	311 E. Park St., Morris n.		
Mt. Greenwood	John D. Dykstra	75	12	2	9	1	1	148	20	...	8	2	208	86	1	180	383	129	2,323	Blue Island, Ill.		
Newton	B. T. Van der Wou'e	55	16	3	10	...	1	48	66	...	9	1	266	110	1	120	142	29	1,039	Erie, Ill., R. R. 1.		
Oostburg	Henry K. Pasma	114	4	11	3	...	1	233	5	2	11	...	131	83	1	174	426	175	2,198	Oostburg, Wis.		
Randolph	Wm. Wolvius	60	6	4	4	...	4	105	5	...	10	...	130	65	1	60	205	5	1,700	Randolph, Wis.		
Roseland First	J. F. Heemstra	330	24	18	35	3	17	820	...	35	37	...	898	310	1	796	4,880	1,108	9,633	24 E. 107th St., Chicago.		
Sheboygan	M. C. Ruissard	77	5	20	2	...	2	173	38	8	7	...	183	91	1	149	236	10	1,948	1015 N. 10th St., Sheb'n.		
Sheboygan Falls	B. M. Fikkema	50	11	5	10	...	5	110	20	10	7	2	107	50	1	112	159	39	1,033	Sheboygan Falls, Wis.		
South Holland	H. P. Schuurmans	250	17	5	8	...	5	418	82	25	25	...	496	342	1	385	2,424	950	6,478	South Holland, Ill.		
Spring Valley	J. P. J. Kruijs Voorberge	38	...	...	...	...	1	51	25	2	4	...	130	20	1	52	155	11	1,050	Fulton, Ill., R. R. 1.
Summit	Josias Meulendyke	39	3	7	7	...	1	66	10	...	6	...	44	64	1	135	146	112	1,225	Summit, Ill., R. R. 2.		
Vesper	Vacant, John Dorst, C'k	18	6	37	...	...	43	...	...	...	14	...	226	120	1	196	1,664	295	1,500	Arpin, Wis.
Waupun	I. J. Hollebrands	150	5	9	7	...	6	326	187	...	9	...	226	120	1	130	1,651	106	2,388	Waupun, Wis.		
Wichert	Fred Zanderra	63	6	15	3	...	1	134	38	2	9	...	165	130	1	120	1,599	106	1,160	Wichert, Ill., R. R. 1.		
Total		3812	374	286	277	7	95	7405	1450	195	436	17	8118	3839	35	6774	\$30,796	\$7,228	\$102,713			
Other Ministers—B. Mollena, Emeritus, 1/4 W. 17th St., Holland, Mich.; D. J. DeBey, Emeritus, Orange City, Iowa; S. E. Koster, Fulton, Ill.; John Van Ess, Bushrah, Persian Gulf; H. P. Boot, Anoy, China; Dirk Dykstra, Bahrein, Arabia; Classical Agents—F. M., J. Sietsena; D. M., L. Dykstra; E., H. K. Pasma; P. and B. S. W., M. C. Ruissard; W. F. and D. M. F., B. M. Flik-kema; Tem., H. M. Bruins.																						
Slated Clerk and Treasurer—H. J. Pietenpol, 1323 So. 60th Ave., Cicero, Ill.																						

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Classical Agents—F. M. J. Sietsema; D. M., L. Dykstra; E., H. K. Pasma; P. and B. S. W., M. C. Ruissard; W. F. and D. M. F., B. M. Flik-kema; Tem, H. M. Bruins.

Stated Clerk and Treasurer—H. J. Pietenpol, 1323 So. 60th Ave., Cicero, Ill.

SUMMARY VIEW OF THE REFORMED

REV. HENRY LOCKWOOD, STATED CLERK.

CLASSES.	CENSUS.				COMMUNICANTS.						OTHERS ENROLLED	
	Churches.	Ministers.	Candidates.	Number of Families.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Adherents.	Absent List.
PARTICULAR SYNOD OF NEW YORK.												
Hudson	11	11	1	1,139	117	43	31	1	31	1,958	476	505
Kingston	16	12		1,238	60	40	64		36	2,029	452	744
North Long Island	28	31		3,079	383	103	112	1	69	5,168	669	1,307
South Long Island	24	26		3,042	382	159	193		88	6,664	1,877	2,214
New York	44	54		6,948	741	240	288	9	178	12,029	1,028	1,760
Orange	23	20		2,111	243	94	52		51	3,560	280	915
Poughkeepsie	12	14		1,316	94	64	42		46	2,068	297	524
Westchester	17	22		1,841	151	102	81		61	3,350	567	625
Total	75	190		120,714	2,171	845	863	11	560	36,826	5,616	8,594
PARTICULAR SYNOD OF ALBANY												
Albany	18	13		1,829	155	101	67		51	3,221	386	608
Greene	6	8		990	33	33	25		29	1,461	598	425
Montgomery	34	22		3,331	239	128	115	3	87	4,707	1,283	1,104
Rensselaer	14	14		1,110	51	29	54		43	1,983	539	445
Rochester	17	15		1,475	211	112	116		44	3,252	229	239
Saratoga	12	8		860	140	42	36		35	1,611	75	324
Schoenectady	15	18		2,202	150	178	67		51	3,640	606	644
Schoharie	14	10		685	127	38	35		20	1,123	294	178
Ulster	15	11		1,273	137	72	32		56	2,409	518	560
Total	145	119		13,755	1,243	733	547	3	416	23,407	4,528	4,527
PARTICULAR SYNOD OF CHICAGO												
Cascades	8	6		252	18	15	13		8	488	172	48
Dakota	17	13		634	101	82	69		17	1,367	276	62
Germania	17	14		651	27	22	23		9	719	816	34
Grand River	35	32		3,106	446	249	193	9	126	5,945	573	110
Holland	25	28	2	2,134	282	248	209	4	67	5,039	454	189
Illinois	11	10		591	75	59	16		5	1,187	318	172
Iowa	46	48		2,617	311	318	306	10	55	5,024	649	199
Michigan	18	22		1,909	359	177	169		36	3,856	554	318
Pella	15	13		1,060	94	70	50	2	36	2,097	447	146
Pleasant Prairie	22	26		1,190	76	22	15	2	42	1,464	1,541	106
Wisconsin	36	35		3,812	374	286	277	7	95	7,405	1,450	195
Total	250	247		217,962	2,163	1,495	1,340	34	496	34,591	7,250	1,579
PARTICULAR SYNOD OF NEW BRUNSWICK.												
Bergen	16	23	1	1,721	192	86	81	1	37	2,518	962	524
South Bergen	13	15		2,412	335	56	88		74	3,837	777	1,414
Monmouth	9	12		853	98	53	28		31	1,685	363	281
Newark	20	30		3,698	456	231	129		75	6,675	360	1,497
New Brunswick	14	22	1	1,569	208	89	80	1	55	2,924	401	758
Fallsades	12	12		2,221	270	63	110		67	3,843	1,170	921
Paramus	31	39		3,679	273	157	127	1	92	6,493	923	868
Passaic	17	17		2,081	165	126	74	1	79	3,381	679	627
Philadelphia	15	19		1,109	148	58	46	3	43	2,407	409	500
Raritan	14	14		1,599	128	63	77		62	3,585	486	529
Total	161	203		220,942	2,263	982	840	7	635	37,348	6,530	7,919
Grand total	731	759		5,73,373	7,840	4,055	3,590	55	2,107	132,172	23,924	22,619

CHURCH IN AMERICA FOR THE YEAR 1916.

EAST MILLSTONE, N. Y.

BAP.		No. of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & S. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			STATED CLERKS.
Infants	Adults.		Catechumens.	No. of Sunday Schools.	Total Enrollment.	Benevolent.		Congregational.	
						Denomina-tional Objects.	Other Objects.		
REV. HERMAN HAGEMAN, STATED CLERK, CLAVERACK, N. Y.									
44	33	217	139	15	1,465	\$4,012	\$359	\$20,175	Philip Jonker.
33	23	167	299	22	1,978	3,261	819	18,889	Frank B. Seeley.
302	46	385	295	28	5,866	10,220	4,261	75,873	C. K. Clearwater.
365	46	367	295	24	7,439	14,539	8,678	85,539	John S. Gardner.
458	129	610	542	48	10,033	141,455	20,287	89,175	A. B. Churchman.
95	84	157	110	25	2,740	4,261	1,030	42,552	Wm. Wyckoff Schomp.
52	30	113	24	14	1,720	4,876	2,081	43,728	A. C. Bird.
84	29	152	76	19	2,931	8,815	4,092	52,832	Lucas Boeve.
1,433	420	2,168	1,780	195	34,171	\$191,437	\$41,804	\$428,760	
REV. C. P. DITMARS, STATED CLERK, NISKAYUNA, N. Y.									
90	44	184	106	23	2,951	\$12,051	\$3,212	\$52,716	B. J. Hoteling.
24	10	185	15	9	831	2,877	628	14,422	Wm. A. Dumont.
126	87	736	123	34	4,468	6,801	2,572	59,485	George G. Seibert.
51	18	142	24	16	1,632	3,512	471	20,729	E. A. Collier.
132	81	1,638	392	17	3,155	6,474	1,040	34,809	P. G. M. Bahler.
44	91	60	.....	12	1,230	2,214	798	19,364	O. H. Walser.
92	33	467	330	18	3,091	4,466	1,980	44,313	C. P. Ditmars.
31	102	117	12	14	1,061	1,151	288	11,560	H. C. Morehouse.
39	60	90	276	19	1,831	3,528	312	25,566	Henry W. Brink.
629	527	3,619	1,278	162	20,250	\$43,074	\$11,301	\$282,964	
REV. PETER MOERDYKE, STATED CLERK, HOLLAND, MICH.									
26	6	577	243	8	454	\$1,867	\$337	\$6,806	B. Van Heuvelen.
107	10	1,457	763	17	1,438	6,610	6,249	24,614	B. D. Dykstra.
102	11	1,185	461	14	969	4,550	1,208	17,154	H. Huenemann.
328	30	7,151	3,445	35	5,925	21,250	2,939	81,064	Herry Harmeling.
232	29	3,880	2,309	25	5,097	23,323	2,337	54,895	Gerhard De Jonge.
53	6	530	283	10	1,570	4,939	1,096	14,439	John Bennink.
457	12	6,946	3,826	43	5,043	63,821	8,866	78,753	Thos. E. Welmers.
150	35	2,450	1,481	18	5,149	15,872	3,587	68,041	Jacob Varder Meulen.
110	9	1,740	1,058	15	2,167	63,375	1,030	26,359	Anthony Roendal.
77	9	2,298	603	23	2,134	12,525	3,735	27,445	George Schnucker.
436	17	8,118	3,839	35	6,774	30,796	7,228	102,713	H. J. Pietenpol.
2,180	174	36,332	18,311	243	36,720	\$248,928	\$38,612	\$502,232	
REV. B. V. D. WYCKOFF, STATED CLERK, READINGTON, N. J.									
117	21	127	59	17	3,361	\$5,394	\$2,324	\$55,176	Harris A. Freer.
307	50	529	144	17	4,032	6,087	2,553	71,592	James Boyd Hunter.
37	31	61	65	10	1,431	2,046	663	22,885	Garret M. Conover.
324	98	224	93	24	7,256	20,765	5,781	99,626	Charles Beach Cordit.
59	40	322	323	20	2,620	11,097	2,519	41,817	John A. Thomsen.
429	32	410	216	16	5,471	7,035	3,040	69,054	A. W. Hopper.
251	68	1,728	856	34	7,430	17,139	5,621	112,176	Eugene Hill.
144	38	1,356	859	22	3,997	6,993	1,791	66,522	Geo. W. Labaw.
59	62	170	206	22	3,034	3,731	3,381	29,428	Andrew J. Walter.
70	33	190	217	18	2,975	7,482	2,101	48,599	B. V. D. Wyckoff.
1,797	475	5,117	3,034	200	41,607	\$87,712	\$29,776	\$616,876	
6,039	1,596	47,236	24,403	800	132,748	\$571,151	\$121,493	\$1,830,883	

ARTICLE XXIII.

SYNODICAL ARCHIVES.

The Committee on Necrology presented its Report. The abstract was read to the Synod. During the reading the Synod stood, and after the reading was led in prayer by the Rev. Joseph R. Sizoo.

TO THE GENERAL SYNOD OF THE REFORMED CHURCH
IN AMERICA MEETING AT ASBURY PARK, N. J.,
MAY 31st, 1917.

Your Committee on Necrology respectfully presents the following report:

Since the last meeting of your venerable body seventeen ministers of our church have been called from the church militant to the church triumphant. The extraordinary longevity of one man brought the average age of those reported a year ago above the Psalmist's three score years and ten. With this exception the average for this year would be about the same as last. The ages of those reported to-day range between 45 and 83 and the average is 68. The number for the past year is slightly greater than a year ago. Indeed the steady depletion of our ranks reminds us that what we do must be done quickly and that the recruiting of young men for our ministry must not lag if the Lord's business is to prosper.

The summary of our report is as follows:

- (1) Rev. Henry Miller Cox, born in Brooklyn, N. Y., July 5th, 1854, died near Oradell, N. J., July 4th, 1916.
- (2) Rev. Evert Troost, born at Hoogeveen, Netherlands 1858, died at Kalamazoo, Mich., July 7th, 1916.
- (3) Rev. Martin Ossewaarde, born at Wissekerke, Netherlands, Nov. 10th, 1865; died at Sioux Center, Iowa, July 8th, 1916.
- (4) Rev. Sybrandus Alexander Schilstra, born at Ylst Netherlands, Aug. 31st, 1840, died at Telford, Penn., July 26th, 1916.
- (5) Rev. Arad Joy Sebring, born at Ovid, N. Y., Oct. 20th, 1833, died at Katsbaan, N. Y., Aug. 11th, 1916.
- (6) Rev. Herman Shook, born at Napanoch, N. Y., Feb. 28th, 1846, died at Locust Valley, N. Y., Aug. 11th, 1916.
- (7) Rev. Isaac Peterson Brokaw, born at Middlebush, N. J., July 27th, 1845, died at Somerville, N. J., Aug. 19th, 1916.
- (8) Rev. Herman Tanis, born at Andorp, Netherlands, Aug. 30th, 1871, died at Paterson, N. J., Sept. 16th, 1916.

- (9) Rev. Charles Albion Conant, born at Temple, Maine, July 28th, 1833, died at Schenectady, N. Y., Sept. 28th, 1916.
- (10) Rev. Abram Irving Martine, born at Clarkstown, N. Y., Oct. 19th, 1848, died at Pine Bush, N. Y., Dec. 3d, 1916.
- (11) Rev. Charles Edward Hart, born at Freehold, N. J., Feb. 28th, 1838, died at New Brunswick, N. J., Dec. 16th, 1916.
- (12) Rev. Solomon Terpenning Cole, born at Esopus, N. Y., Nov. 5th, 1836, died at Kingston, N. Y., Feb. 4th, 1917.
- (13) Rev. Herman Borgers, born at Stads-Kanaal, Netherlands, Nov. 13th, 1844, died at North Yakima, Wash., Feb. 15th, 1917.
- (14) Rev. Nathan Henry Demarest, born in New York City, July 3d, 1861, died at Mount Vernon, N. Y., Feb. 17th, 1917.
- (15) Rev. Paul F. Schuelke, born at Thorn, Germany, May 13th, 1847, died at Holland, Mich., April 1st, 1917.
- (16) Rev. John Gerardus Fagg, born at Bethlehem, Wis., Feb. 21st, 1860, died in New York City, May 3d, 1917.
- (17) Rev. Joseph Alexander Harper, born in County Down, Ireland, Sept. 20th, 1839, died at Scarsdale, N. Y., May 13th, 1917.

JOHN H. RAVEN,
P. G. M. BAHLER,
JACOB WEBER,
G. DEJONGE,
Committee.

REV. HENRY MILLER COX.

Rev. Henry Miller Cox was born in Brooklyn, N. Y., July 5th, 1854. He was the son of John B. Cox. Preparing at the Rutgers Grammar School, he graduated from Rutgers College in 1876 and from the New Brunswick Theological Seminary in 1879. He was licensed by the Classis in 1879 and ordained by the Classis of South Bergen in the same year. He spent his entire ministry in the service of the Reformed Church. His pastorates were in the South Bergen Church of Jersey City (1879-82), the church at Herkimer, N. Y., (1882-90), the High Bridge Church of New York City (1890-1899), the Prospect Hill Church also in New York City (1901-10), and the church at Harrington Park, N. J. (1911-16). He was President of the Board of Publication of the Reformed Church from 1914 until his death. Mr. Cox took a genuine interest in historical matters. He prepared the admirable history of the Class of 1876 at Rutgers College and was also the author of "The Cox Family in America." On Oct. 28th, 1886, he married Miss Lizzie R. Burst of Brooklyn, N. Y., who died five months before her husband. One son and three daughters survived him.

Mr. Cox was highly esteemed by his Seminary classmates both

for his ability and consecration. He was dignified and earnest and always reflected honor upon the ministerial profession.

On the 4th of July, 1916, he went out in a canoe on Oradell Lake with his daughter and a friend. The boat was capsized by the wind. Miss Cox clung to the overturned canoe and drifted ashore. Mr. Cox and the young girl who was with him tried to swim ashore, but within a few yards of safety they sank and were drowned.

REV. EVERT TROOST.

Rev. Evert Troost died at Kalamazoo, Michigan, on July 7, 1916, aged 58 years.

Rev. Troost was born at Hoogeveen, Netherlands, and received his education there. At a somewhat advanced age he began his preparation for the ministry, taking a literary course in the gymnasium at Zetten, and his theological studies at the Free University at Amsterdam. After completing his studies he entered the ministry at Nes and Wierum. On coming to America he became pastor of the Bethel Reformed Church at Pella, Iowa, remaining in this field till 1904, when he accepted a call to the Fourth Church of Kalamazoo. In this field he spent the remainder of his life.

Brother Troost was a man of ability, a student who continued his studies throughout his ministry. His sermons were always instructive and edifying. Such was also his association with members of his congregation. Hence his church flourished and he retained his grip upon the respect and affection of his congregation.

He was a friend of our educational institutions, serving for a number of years on the Board of Superintendents of the Western Seminary.

Being particularly well-versed in the theory of Church Government he was a valued member of ecclesiastical gatherings.

As a man he was friendly, knowing how to make and retain friends; always genial, a ready conversationalist, and withal a gentleman; he was always a welcome visitor and a much desired associate.

He died after a lingering illness, borne with patience and in submission to the will of God. In his church he will be sorely missed, and truly mourned as a man who had endeared himself to all, and labored so long and successfully for the welfare of the congregation.

REV. MARTIN OSSEWAARDE.

Rev. Martin Ossewaarde died at his home in Sioux Center, Iowa, on July 8, 1916, after an illness of several months, aged fifty years.

Rev. Ossewaarde was born at Wissekerke, Netherlands, on November 10, 1865. His early education he received in the schools of his native town, and at the age of fourteen he was sent to a boarding school at Doetichem, and afterwards to the Gymnasium at Ruimsicht. In 1882 the family came to America and located at Kalamazoo, Mich., and the brother became a student at Hope College Preparatory School, graduating from the College in 1888, and from the Seminary at New Brunswick in 1891.

Licensed by the Classis of New Brunswick, he was the same year ordained to the gospel ministry, assuming the pastorate of the Holland Church in New York City, where he stayed for two years. The following pastorates occupied the remaining years of his service: East Williamson, N. Y., 1893-1897; Abbe Church, Clymer, N. Y., 1897-1905; Summit, Illinois, 1905-1908; Fourth, Pella, Iowa, 1908-1909; Prairie View, Kansas, 1909-1912; Second, Sioux Center, Iowa, 1912-1916.

Twenty-five years were spent in various fields with eminent success. He was a man thoroughly devoted to his work, a faithful preacher and pastor, a kind friend of all his people, honored and respected of all. Among his colleagues he was loved and appreciated as a man of good judgment and loyalty to the cause of Christ and the Church with all its interests.

His illness lasted for several months and his suffering was at times intense, but it was borne not only with christian fortitude, but with patience always testifying to the goodness of God; even in his suffering he remained until the end a faithful servant of Christ.

REV. SYBRANDUS ALEXANDER SCHILSTRA.

Rev. Sybrandus Alexander Schilstra was born at Ylst, Netherlands, August 31, 1840, and died at Telford, Pa., July 26, 1916.

He prepared for a missionary career in a school at Rotterdam, Netherlands, graduated in 1869, and was ordained as a missionary by a missionary association, with two of his classmates. They were sent to labor among the Sundanese in the island of Java in the Dutch East Indies, the first missionaries to go to that Mohammedan country. Accompanied by their wives, they left by sailing vessel for Batavia, Java, which they safely reached, by a journey during which the Franco-German War of 1870 was begun and ended.

He labored there for almost twelve years with considerable success, but was compelled by sickness to return to the Netherlands in December, 1881.

He was next employed as a traveling agent for the foreign mission cause, edited a mission publication called "Hendrick's Zend-code," and was a frequent contributor to religious journals and pa-

pers. In 1892 he came to this country, and accepted a call to the First Reformed Church of Rochester, N. Y., where he labored until 1901, in which year he resigned.

He later served some small settlements of Hollanders in Maryland, and moving to Pennsylvania had a church in his home for three years, ministering to the scattered Hollanders on the Sabbath.

He was well-versed in the Reformed doctrine, was a ready speaker, and an esteemed and prolific contributor to "Het Oosten" a religious publication in Paterson, N. J.

REV. ARAD J. SEBRING.

Rev. Arad J. Sebring died in the Katsbaan parsonage August 11, 1916. He was born at Ovid, N. Y., October 20, 1833, and was the son of John Cornelius Sebring, and the brother of the late Elbert N. Sebring.

He was prepared for College in the Ovid Academy, and graduated from Rutgers in 1859 and the New Brunswick Seminary in 1862.

His ministry was continuous for fifty-four years. Mellenville 1862-1885; Katsbaan 1885-1916.

In March, 1916, he was confined to the parsonage, yet his people asked him not to resign but to remain their pastor while they found supplies for the pulpit. There he awaited the summons above with joyful anticipation and firm assurance of hope.

Thus he was for over half a century one of the christian leaders on either side of the Hudson. Possessed of a bright analytic mind, a powerful voice and presence, and a gift of oratorical statement, he presented the Gospel with convincing force. As a pastor, his kind heart, cheerful disposition and gentlemanly manner, won and held the community.

He was faithful in his pastoral work, visiting systematically all his families twice a year, besides many other social calls. For many years he was a member of the Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Seminary, and the upstate member of the Board of Publication. During the Mellenville pastorate he developed the work at Philmont which has grown into that flourishing church.

Some of the perorations of his sermons were turned into poetry, which, with other poems, were published in two volumes, entitled "Faith in Song" and "Girdle of Gladness."

REV. HERMAN H. SHOOK.

Rev. Herman H. Shook was born at Napanoch, N. Y., February 28, 1846.

He was licensed by the North Classis of Long Island in 1883 and ordained by the same body in 1902. He was Stated Supply of the Reformed Church at Fairfield, N. J., in 1884-85, at West New Hempstead, N. Y., in 1885, at Greenwood Heights, Brooklyn, N. Y., in 1893-94, at Cold Spring, N. Y., in 1895-1896, and at Canajoharie, N. Y., in 1897.

In the intervals he preached frequently in other churches. In 1902 he became pastor of the Reformed Church at Locust Valley, L. I., and continued as such until 1904. Since this time he has resided at Locust Valley and has supplied various churches. Before his pastorate at Locust Valley he had practised law, and afterwards he returned to that profession.

Mr. Shook died at Locust Valley, N. Y., August 11, 1916.

REV. ISAAC PETERSON BROKAW.

Rev. Isaac Peterson Brokaw was born at Middlebush, N. J., July 27, 1845. His father was Peter S. Brokaw. During the Civil War he served in the 30th Regiment of New Jersey. Taking up the studies which he had laid down he graduated from Rutgers College in 1866 and from the New Brunswick Theological Seminary in 1869. In the same year he was licensed by the Classis of New Brunswick and ordained by the Fourth Classis of Bergen. Dr. Brokaw served two Reformed Churches for five years each, the Trinity Church of Newark (1869-1874), and the South Bergen Church of Jersey City (1874-1879). He then entered upon his long and fruitful pastorate in the Second Church of Freehold, N. J. There he served actively from 1879 until 1905.

In the Civil War he contracted a disease which remained with him throughout life, yet with singular devotion and success he continued his ministry.

In 1905 on his retirement he became Pastor Emeritus of the Freehold Reformed Church and remained such until his death, making his home at Somerville, N. J.

He was stated Clerk of the Particular Synod of New Brunswick from 1889 until 1914.

In 1891 Rutgers College gave him the degree of D. D.

In 1870 Mr. Brokaw married Miss Emma Perlee of Raritan, New Jersey. His widow and two daughters survive him.

Dr. Brokaw's son, Rev. Arthur Perlee Brokaw, entered the ministry of the Reformed Church. He was a young man of good gifts and a beautiful christian character, but frail in body. After one year of very effective work among the Indians in Oklahoma he died in 1905. His father bore this sorrow, and all his other trials with a patience which was wonderful. In spite of them he had a

sweetness and gladness of character which always made it a pleasure to meet him. He died at his home in Somerville, N. J., Aug. 19, 1916.

REV. HERMAN TANIS.

Rev. Herman Tanis was born at Ondorp, Netherlands, August 30, 1871. He was the son of Cornelius Tanis. In 1880 the family came to America and made their home in Paterson, N. J.

He graduated from Marysville College in 1900, and from the New Brunswick Theological Seminary in 1903. In the same year he was ordained by the Classis of Wisconsin. He served successively the Reformed Churches at Koster, Ill., 1903-1905; Dalton, Ill., 1905-1908; Randolph, Wisconsin, 1908-1911; Grand View, South Dakota, 1911-1914; and the First Holland Church of Paterson, N. J., 1914-1916.

On September 23, 1903, Mr. Tanis married Miss Gertrude Grootveld of Little Falls, N. J. His widow, two daughters and one son survive him.

Mr. Tanis was a faithful and self-denying servant of the Lord. He was summoned to heavenly service Sept. 16, 1916.

REV. CHARLES A. CONANT.

Rev. Charles A. Conant was called to his rest Sept. 28, 1916, in the eighty-fourth year of his age. Mr. Conant was born July 28, 1833 at Temple, Maine, and entered Union College at Schenectady, graduating with the class of 1860.

He then entered the Theological Seminary at Bangor, Maine, where he spent a year, and then transferred to the Auburn Theological Seminary, from which he was graduated in 1863.

His first pastorate was at Moravia, N. Y., and he later served at Genoa and Pike, and then at Amherst, Mass. In 1876 he accepted a pastorate at Duluth, Minn., and later served at Cannon Falls, at St. Paul, and Wyzetta, Minn., being in charge of a congregation which erected a new church in the latter place during his pastorate. In 1896 Mr. Conant located in Amsterdam, retiring from regular pastoral work for several years. Later, however, he assumed active labor as pastor of a church at Voorheesville, Albany Co., and later of the Reformed Church at Lisha's Kill, Schenectady, where he remained for twelve years, until his permanent retirement at the age of seventy-one years.

Mr. Conant married Miss Harriet Bunn, daughter of the late Thomas Bunn of Amsterdam, N. Y., and in 1913 they celebrated their golden wedding anniversary.

Mrs. Conant survives with five children.

REV. ABRAM IRVING MARTINE.

The Rev. Abram Irving Martine was born at Clarkstown, Oct. 19, 1848; graduated from Rutgers College in 1873 and from the New Brunswick Seminary in 1876; licensed by the Classis of Paramus 1876.

His charges were: Stanton, 1876-1882; North Hempstead, 1882-1891; Dunellen (Presbyterian), 1891-1900; Marlboro, 1900-1905; Superintendent General Hospital, Passaic, 1905-1908; Little Falls, 1908-1911; New Prospect, April 29, 1911, to date of his death, December 6, 1916.

To his brethren in the Orange Classis who noted his cheerfulness and good fellowship, he appeared at their last meeting only sixty-eight years young instead of old. His death was a surprise to them, especially as his final illness was only of about one week's duration.

As a minister of the Gospel of Jesus Christ he was devoted to his work; conscientious in all that he did; faithful to every trust; efficient in all that he undertook, loyally ministering in the name of the Lord, and bearing witness to a godly character. He was an example to his congregation that leaves with them an impression that the coming years will not efface. The funeral service was held in the New Prospect Church on Wednesday, December 6, 1916.

REV. CHARLES EDWARD HART.

Rev. Charles Edward Hart was born at Freehold, N. J., Feb. 28, 1838. His father was Walter W. Hart. He prepared at the Philadelphia High School and graduated from Princeton College in 1858 and from Princeton Theological Seminary in 1861. The Presbytery of New York licensed him in 1860 and ordained him in 1863. For three years he was pastor of the Fortieth St. Presbyterian Church of New York City (1863-1866). Then he accepted a call to the North Reformed Church of Newark, N. J., and served that church fourteen years (1866-1880). In 1880 Dr. Hart was elected Professor of the English Language and Literature in Rutgers College. After filling this professorship for seventeen years (1880-1897), he was elected the successor of Rev. William Rankin Dur- yee, D. D., as Theodore Frelinghuysen Professor of Ethics, Evidences of Christianity, and the English Bible. In 1903 the teaching of the English Bible was transferred to the professorship of English.

In 1907 Dr. Hart resigned his professorship and was made Emeritus Professor, an honor which he retained until his death.

Rutgers College gave him the degree of D. D. in 1880.

He was a man of fine literary taste, broad scholarship and the best Christian refinement.

On June 19, 1884, he married Miss Lucy H. Carpenter of New Brunswick, N. J., who survives him. He died at his home in New Brunswick, N. J., after a brief illness, Dec. 16, 1916.

REV. SOLOMON T. COLE.

Rev. Solomon T. Cole died at Kingston, N. Y., Feb. 4, 1917. On the previous Monday he presided at a meeting of the Classis of Ulster, and on the next day conducted a funeral service at Saugerties, where he was visiting his son. Wednesday he returned home, and Friday suffered a stroke of apoplexy from which he passed away Sunday morning.

The most of his life was spent in Ulster Co. He was born at Port Ewen, November 5, 1836, so had passed the age of eighty.

He was graduated from the New Brunswick Seminary in 1864. His pastorates were: Plattekill 1864-1868; Preakness, 1868-1872; Schaghticoke, 1872-1879; Westerlo, 1879-1882; Tyre, 1882-1884; Plattekill 1884-1891. He then retired for five years, after which he was pastor at Esopus 1896-1899. He continued to supply vacant pulpits, and was urged to accept permanent pastorates after his advanced age forbade his acceptance.

Possessed of a kind disposition and a friendly manner he was very effective as a pastor. As a preacher he saw the truth himself and presented it clearly. He interested himself in the public welfare and family life of the people of his large acquaintance. In such associated movements as the Sunday School Conventions and organizations for civic betterment, he was found ready to serve, and faithful in the performance.

He attributed a large part of his success to his wife, who was Cornelia Perkins, who passed away in 1900.

REV. NATHAN H. DEMAREST.

The Rev. Nathan H. Demarest entered into his rest at the home of his sister at Mt. Vernon, February 17, 1917.

He was born in New York City in 1861, graduated from Rutgers College in 1880, being the youngest of his class, and took his theological course at New Brunswick Seminary, graduating in 1883. That summer he married Miss Annie Helm of New Brunswick, and together they proceeded to the South Japan Mission, and were stationed at Nagasaki. He made exceptional progress in the language, and was soon able to make evangelistic tours. The health

of Mrs. Demarest, however, soon gave way and they were compelled to come back to America.

After a year's rest they returned to Japan, but were immediately forced back again to the homeland, the health of Mrs. Demarest again failing.

In 1890 Rev. Demarest was called to the pastorate of the Reformed Church at Roxbury, N. Y., at that time an obscure mountain village. When he left in 1912 Roxbury had become a popular summer resort for cultured people. For over twenty-two years he ministered with wisdom, earnestness and success in this community. Through him the congregation, after the loss by fire of their church edifice, received the present beautiful structure, known as the Jay Gould Memorial Church, from the children of Mr. Gould.

While he never lost sight of his mission as an ambassador of Jesus Christ, and gave first place to the religious work, he yet had a broad interest in community life, and was a leader in the development of community institutions.

In the spring of 1911 Mrs. Demarest was called home, and the old desire to serve Japan led him to accept a call of the Board of Foreign Missions in 1912, and to accompany his daughter May to that field. But within a year he was sent back to the United States a broken down man. Since his return he made his home with his sister at Mt. Vernon.

REV. HERMAN BORGERS.

Rev. Herman Borgers died at North Yakima, Washington, on February 15, 1917, in the seventy-third year of his age. Rev. Borgers was born at Stads-Kanaal, Netherlands, and came to America at an early age with his family, locating near Zeeland, Michigan, of which church his father was an elder for some years.

He began his preparation for the Gospel ministry in Holland Academy in 1860 and graduated from Hope College in 1868 and from the Western Seminary in 1872. Licensed by the Classis of Holland, he was ordained by the Presbytery of Chippewa and served in the Presbyterian Church until 1874 when he was called to the church at Cedar Grove, Wisconsin, which he served until 1881. From there he went to Coopersville, Michigan, where he stayed two years. He served Greenleafon, Minnesota, from 1881 till 1893. From this time he was without a regular charge. When churches began to be organized in the far west he was again pressed into service as a Stated Supply at Oak Harbor and North Yakima, Washington, for two years.

Mr. Borgers was not a man of great talents or a brilliant orator, but of sterling worth, piety and devotion. Of somewhat retir-

ing nature he was perhaps at a disadvantage, but his sermons were well prepared, and always instructive and helpful. The Gospel was dear to him and this he presented in all its fulness to the people to whom he ministered. His life was pure and exemplary. His labors were not in vain.

REV. PAUL F. SCHUELKE.

Rev. Paul F. Schuelke was born in Thorn, Germany, May 13, 1847, and died at his home, Holland, Michigan, on Sunday, April 1, 1917, after a short illness, though he had been suffering from heart trouble during the winter months.

Dr. Schuelke was educated in Germany where he obtained his degree at the University of Koenigsburg.

On coming to America he studied theology in Wisconsin and served several churches. He remained in the United States. In 1876 he became pastor of the Second Church of Pekin Ill., R. C. A., and remained there until 1880. In 1880 he assumed the pastorate over the church at Washington, Iowa, where he remained until 1891, when he returned to his former charge, Second Church, Pekin, which he served until 1903 when he removed to Holland, Michigan. He was instructor in German at Hope College during the year 1904-1905, and thereafter, with a short intermission in 1914 when he served the Second Church, Pekin, as its pastor for the third time, he was Curator of the Museum at Hope College, which position he held until his death.

Dr. Schuelke was a splendid student; he had a wide interest, and did extensive, careful reading; was fond of scientific and philosophical study. He was fond of poetry and wrote poetry of no mean order. He was a devout, sincere and simple Christian believer, a man of deep and noble piety.

He was kind and helpful to younger men and students, to whom he gave the best there was in him.

He was genial and friendly to all, a friend to be desired and appreciated.

Brother Schuelke was married twice and is survived by his wife, three children and a step-son.

REV. JOHN GERARDUS FAGG.

Rev. John G. Fagg was born in Bethlehem, Wisconsin, February 21, 1860; graduated from Hope College, 1881; from New Brunswick Seminary in 1885; licensed by the Classis of Wisconsin; from 1885-1887 in charge of Lawyersville and Cobleskill; Missionary at Amoy, China, 1888-1894; New Paltz, 1894-1895; Middle Collegiate Church, New York City, 1895, to the day of his death, May 3, 1917.

The death of Dr. Fagg followed a serious operation, the critical character of which was not appreciated until it took place. Only fifty-seven years of age, at the zenith of his powers, his death was a blow and profound grief to his many friends. The great loss will be felt for many a day. The Reformed Church loses a great leader in the death of this mighty man of God. His was a great soul, on fire for God. His spiritual passion was a thrilling force both in his pulpit ministry and in his personal contact with men.

Soon after his unavoidable return from the foreign field and short service at New Paltz he was called to fill Dr. Talbot W. Chambers' pulpit. He was elected a member of the Foreign Board in 1898 and President of the Board in 1910, and also President of the Trustees of the Arabian Mission. He was not excelled by any member or officer in faithfulness, regularity, and sympathy in all the work of the Board.

In 1914 General Synod honored him by making him its President.

The Middle Collegiate Church was not able to hold the large throng that gathered to pay their last respect for this mighty man of God whose consecrated spirit was an inspiration for a great harvest. The funeral service was singularly impressive. It took place Monday 10.30 A. M., May 7, 1917. He is survived by his widow.

REV. JOSEPH A. HARPER.

Rev. Joseph A. Harper was born in Ireland, September 20, 1839, came to America in 1850; Rutgers College, 1873; New Brunswick Seminary, 1875; licensed by the Classis of New Brunswick; first charge Cortlandtown, May 25, 1875-1890; Greeneville, 1890-1905; Schaghticoke, 1905-1910; Scarsdale, 1910-1917, May 13, day of his death.

Rev. Joseph A. Harper came to this country when eleven years old.

He was already advanced in years, married, and had two children when he felt the call to the ministry must be obeyed. At the ripe age of thirty-six he began his labor in Cortlandtown. He was instrumental in organizing and building the Verplanck Church, a couple of miles from his church.

In his declining days when he returned to Westchester Classis and to Scarsdale he organized the Scarsdale Church. He did good work in all his charges; he had a cheerful disposition, and a pleasant word for every body.

Brother Harper was married twice. Of the six children by the first wife, one son and three daughters survive him. The surviving widow was married to him in 1897, but had no children.

The funeral services were conducted by the Congregational ministerial brother who helped him out during his sickness. A number of ministers in the Classis were present to show their appreciation of Brother Harper. The interment took place in Cortlandtown.

ARTICLE XXIV.

ACCOUNTS.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTS.

To your Committee were referred the statements of the traveling expenses of the delegates of General Synod.

Some 160 of said statements passed under our review. The work of adjusting the statements, so large in number, and extending in all directions, from ocean to ocean, was simplified by the fact that these statements agreed with the fares of the delegates from their respective several stations. No additional accounts for sleepers and meals in dining cars were included.

The total amount for the traveling expenses of General Synod is \$2,210.03. Of this amount the Particular Synod of New York, \$150.61; Particular Synod of Albany, \$285.90; Particular Synod of New Brunswick, \$95.64; Particular Synod of Chicago, \$1,677.88; total \$2,210.03.

Respectfully submitted,

D. J. DEBEY,
J. A. LUMLEY,
C. W. KINNEY,
J. E. DEHART.

ARTICLE XXV.

PARTICULARIA.

Early in the sessions of Synod the Rev. Sartell Prentice offered the following Minute and Resolutions:

The General Synod of the R. C. A. gathered in its 111th Annual Synodical Session, desires to affirm its loyalty and pledge its support to the President and government of the United States, in this hour of National Crisis.

That this pledge may lie in deeds and not in words only, be it

Resolved, That General Synod commends to all churches and to all members of her communion the duty of patriotic financial support of the government of the United States.

Resolved, That synod approves the suggestion now offered that delegates to Synod and the visiting friends of Synod contribute \$500.00 for the purchase of ten (10) Liberty Bonds of the Value of \$50 each. One of said ten bonds to be given as a gift from Synod to each of the ten fields of work supported by our church; namely,

- (1) The Board of Foreign Missions.
- (2) Arabian Missions.
- (3) The Woman's Board of Foreign Missions.
- (4) The Board of Domestic Mission.
- (5) The Women's Board of Domestic Missions.
- (6) (a) Kentucky Mountains.
(b) Indian Work.
- (7) Disabled Ministers' Fund.
- (8) Widows' Fund.
- (9) Education.
- (10) Publication.

In order that this work may be facilitated, the chair is requested to appoint a committee of Synod to receive contributions to this end.

The Resolutions were adopted and the following committee was appointed:

Rev. Sartell Prentice, Chairman; Elders Geo. Tiffany, John M. Kyle, H. P. DePree, Geo. DeBey.

Later the Committee reported that the money for the purchase of the Bonds had been subscribed in Synod, and that the bonds would be turned over to the designated Boards and Funds.

The chairman of the Committee on Resolutions offered the following as a letter from the Synod to the President of the United States.

To the President of the United States,
Hon. Woodrow Wilson,
The Whitehouse, Washington, D. C.

The 111th session of the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America desires to affirm its loyalty to a patriotism which has become sacred in this world-testing time. We feel its

priceless effectiveness among the nations, and summon all the competence of our Denomination to the support of the Government's extraordinary efforts. We pray for courage to those who shall depart for battle, and for enthusiasm for those who remain at home, until all our troops are mobilized; our industrial and financial problems synchronized; our humanitarian spirit recognized and our aim realized.

To this we pledge ourselves in spirit by commending the President and the Government of the United States to Almighty God, and indeed by presenting a Liberty Loan Bond to each of the ten Mission and Benevolent Boards of the Denomination.

To be signed by

J. PRESTON SEARLE,

President.

HENRY LOCKWOOD,

Stated Clerk.

ALBERT VON SCHLIEDER,

Chairman.

Committee on Resolutions.

The Synod directed that this letter be sent to the President.

The following reply was received:

The White House,
Washington, June 5, 1917.

Personal
My Dear Dr. Searle:

The President is greatly heartened and cheered by the message which you and others addressed to him in the name of the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America, and he asks me to convey to you and to everyone concerned an expression of his cordial thanks. With deep appreciation of your patriotic assurances, I am

Sincerely yours,

J. TUMULTY,
Secretary to the President.

Rev. Dr. J. Preston Searle,
President of the Synod,
Hotel Metropolitan,
Asbury Park, New Jersey.

Mr. Monell Sayre, secretary of the Church Pension Fund of the Episcopal Church, was present upon invitation

of General Synod, and he addressed the Synod with special reference to the proposed Million Dollar Endowment Fund recommended to General Synod in overtures from nearly all the classes of the Denomination.

The address was enthusiastically received, and a Resolution was adopted that the thanks of synod for his remarkable address be transmitted to Mr. Sayre by the President and Stated Clerk.

The following is the text of Mr. Sayre's address.

ADDRESS OF MR. MORRELL SAYRE.

Mr. President and gentlemen of the General Synod: It is a high honor for a member of another communion to be asked to speak to the supreme governing body of a great denomination of Christians, and I can best express my appreciation of that honor by telling you as simply and directly as I can the history of the attempt of the Episcopal Church to solve a problem which is common to all religious bodies.

In the nineteenth century the Episcopal Church, in common with other religious organizations attempted to take care of its aged and disabled clergy and the families of deceased clergymen, by the usual method of charitable societies. There were great numbers of these societies. There was one national society; there were a great many diocesan societies.

These societies labored under three distinct disadvantages. In the first place, there was a certain amount of conflict. When a clergyman transferred from one diocese to another, he stood a chance of losing his standing in the diocesan society and of being forced to begin all over again. The second disadvantage was that all of these societies operated as charitable institutions. The clergy were thereby put in the charity class and it is distinctly disadvantageous to the Church as a body, and to both the interests of the clergy and of the laity for the clergy to be segregated out of the community and regarded as a set of mendicants. Unquestionably the clergy have paid thereby in lower salaries more than they have received through this kind of charity. The third and paramount disadvantage is that the amount raised was hopelessly inadequate. Experts agree that no pension system can be carried for less than five percent. of the pay roll. The salary roll of the Episcopal Church is nine millions; five hundred thousand dollars is therefore necessary for pensions or relief. The total income of all the relief societies together fell far short of \$250,000. There was thus a deficit of fifty percent. That was natural, because the Pennsylvania Railroad might just as well attempt to carry on a pension

system for its employees by passing a hat through each train, as it is for a Church to attempt to raise five per cent. of its pay roll, year in and year out, by indiscriminate charitable appeals.

In 1910 at the General Convention of the Episcopal Church there was appointed a commission to consider the problem. Commissions sometimes are not very effective, but the chairman of this commission was the Bishop of Massachusetts, and when Bishop Lawrence is in charge of anything, history is made.

The first thing the Commission did was to get the facts. A questionnaire was sent to all of the clergy, asking a number of very impertinent questions; the age, the age of the wife, the number of minor children, and the salary. Seventy-five per cent responded immediately and fully, but it took an immense amount of correspondence and persuasion to secure complete replies. The Commission managed finally to obtain replies from about 99 per cent. of all of the clergy on our canonical roll.

When we tabulated their replies we knew the age schedule of our clergy, the size of their families, their age at marriage, and their salaries. Instead of guesses we knew that the total salary roll of the church was \$9,000,000. We knew the average salary of the clergymen in our church was \$1,200 a year. These were facts. I think it is the first time in Christendom that any religious body knew the facts in regard to itself.

The second task of the joint commission was to reconstruct the past records of our clergy in order that we might get statistics concerning their longevity. Beginning with the separate establishment of the Episcopal Church in America in 1787 we reconstructed the mortality records of the clergy who had died before 1913. This was rather difficult, because people in the old days did not keep official records with great care. Old newspapers were ransacked and old tombstones inspected. I had an elaborate system of colored cards. The extraordinary record of one clergyman who had been twice deposed and twice restored occasioned some difficulty; but when I came upon a clergyman who, according to the official records, had twice died, my card system about gave out. However, we managed to reconstruct sufficient of the facts concerning our six thousand deceased clergymen to enable a competent actuary to make calculations.

The third thing was to know what to do with the data thus gathered from the living clergy and gathered concerning the dead clergy. Pensions have rather a long history in Europe. There they have received a great deal of scientific attention, and it seemed to the commission that it would be very unwise to proceed to consider such a large problem without having all the experience of the world behind us. For a number of years I had been an official of the

Carnegie Foundation and had paid professional attention to pensions. I had been collecting a library on the subject which I understand is one of the largest in existence. I placed this at the disposal of the commission. It contained, not only all of the literature on pensions, in all languages, but a scientifically arranged collection of data in regard to all the pension systems in the world. The commission then had before it all of the experience and all of the thought of all countries concerning pensions. Thus equipped the commission attacked its problem. The problem was, how can this experience through many lands and this thought of the best minds be applied to ecclesiastical pensions, especially to pensions in the Episcopal Church.

Successively the commission arrived at several decisions. The first decision was absolutely to sweep away the whole charitable system. Hereafter, if our recommendations were adopted, there would never be in the Episcopal Church any collection or appeal for the aged and disabled clergy, but the clergy were to be placed on a decent and self-respecting economic basis.

The second decision of the commission was that it was quite impossible to attempt to raise a capital sum the income of which would accomplish anything. One of the failures in pensions is that a static sum of money, with therefore a stationary amount of income, is used to balance the needs of an increasing body of men. It is obviously impossible, and the enormous amount of money which would have to be raised, the income of which would be large enough to do anything in our church, made such a thing out of the question.

The third decision was that some kind of automatic arrangement would have to be attempted, by which the income would balance the estimated expenditures for pensions. After a great deal of consideration it was decided that the cost of providing the pension for the individual clergyman should be spread over the entire forty years of his service, and that each local church that he served during those forty years should pay, year by year as he served it, its proportionate cost of his pension benefits.

These pension benefits were four: first, an age benefit. At the age of sixty-eight the clergyman can claim one and one-quarter per cent. of his average salary multiplied by the years of service. With the normal service at forty years, this is half pay.

The disability benefit is forty per cent. of the average annual salary for the preceding five years.

The third benefit is the widows' benefit. This had been very carefully calculated. Even in the Church there is the possibility of an old man marrying a young wife, and that would necessitate a long pension payment. The Carnegie Foundation obviated this dif-

ficulty by providing that a widow should not be entitled to any pension unless she had been married for at least ten years and unless the man had been a professor for twenty-five years. Very distressing cases fall just outside the rule,—a widow had been married nine years and a half or her husband had been a professor for twenty-four years. In our pension fund all of these difficulties are surmounted by making the widow's annuity equal to one-half the annuity that her husband would have received, calculating his annuity from the date of marriage rather than from the date of ordination.

The orphan's benefit is \$100 a year from ages one to seven, \$200 a year from seven to fourteen, \$300 a year from fourteen to twenty-one. The theory is to meet the presumably rising cost of education.

These pension benefits, it will be observed, are based upon the salaries the clergymen have received. This immediately occasioned a considerable amount of opposition. It seemed unfair to many that the pensions should be based in this way in a Church. It was, however, precisely because the Commission was devising a pension system for a Church that it had to base the pensions upon salaries.

A government has absolute taxing power. It can therefore devise any kind of a pension system that it desires. A business corporation has a treasury of its own, and it can also force its employees to make any kind of contribution to a pension system that it feels proper. A business corporation therefore has very wide discretion in framing a pension system. But all of the great denominations in the United States are, in the last analysis, from a financial point of view, mere federations of local churches. In the Episcopal Church neither the diocese nor the General Convention has any real control over the finances of a parish. Legal compulsion over the parishes is therefore impossible. They must be persuaded. Thousands of parishes cannot be persuaded to pay sums of money, regularly year in and year out, through long series of years, for an objective which is only to be attained in the distant future, unless they receive a measurable return for what they pay.

The familiar project, therefore, of an equal pension for all clergymen would mean one of two things—either an equal pension assessment upon the parishes, which is rather ridiculous because our little church here in Asbury Park could hardly be asked to pay the same amount of money a year as the Great St. Thomas' Church in New York, or it means the old and thoroughly discredited method of merely a general charitable appeal.

Other plans, apparently to avoid the injustice of pensions based upon salary, such as basing the pensions strictly upon years of service, and so on, are even more fantastic from the point of putting them into practical operation in such loose federations as are our denominations from a financial and legal standpoint. They all

sound beautifully upon their face, but they all fail in the one essential thing, which is to get in the money to pay the pensions.

The Episcopal Commission therefore boldly based the pensions upon the salary received. It was able to do this with perfect justice because the pension assessment is based upon the salary received. That is, a small church pays a small assessment and receives back a comparatively small pension. The rich church gets back a fairly large pension because it pays a large assessment. With this general principle established, which thoroughly assured the workability and the solvency of the pension system, it was possible to modify it by establishing a minimum pension.

As I stated above, \$1,200 is the average salary of a clergyman in the Episcopal Church. We established the minimum pension at \$600 in case both of old age and disability, and at \$300 in the case of the widow. These minima, which stand in all cases except the obvious ones of late ordination and late marriage, are possible because the assessment upon the larger churches is slightly larger than is necessary. The large parishes therefore pay their own pensions and allow this minimum to be given to the small parishes.

Notwithstanding the fact that this minimum was far in excess of anything that had ever been known in the Church before in the way of pensions or clergy relief, in fact far in excess of anything that had ever been seriously attempted, there was, of course, a considerable amount of opposition. A certain number wished to have a theoretical equality, even if thereby the pension system was rendered so unworkable that there would be no pensions at all. But the calm, patient statement of indisputable facts had its assured result. Gradually practically the entire body of clergy and laity were brought to see that in such an organization as our Church the only practicable method of giving everybody the largest possible pension was to base the pension upon the assessments and the assessments upon the salaries that the parishes paid.

A tax upon the local churches equal to seven and one-half per cent. of their salaries will support this pension system with one exception, and that is the lion in the path of all pension systems. At the beginning of a pension system there is an unusually heavy burden, due to the fact that there are men who are on the verge of retirement or will retire in ten or twenty years. That is called technically the problem of the accrued liabilities. It is the problem which most pension systems have gaily waved aside. But it cannot be waved aside. In the city of New York the total accrued liability of the civil service pension funds is something like Three Hundred Million Dollars. This has forced their reorganization. If we had started our pension system on the seven and one-half per cent. annual assessment basis alone, we would have had a deficit some day

of about Forty-nine Million Dollars. Pension framers must consider this problem of the accrued liabilities. The Commission of the Episcopal Church met the problem in a unique way. It decided that it would not try to carry for all of the present clergy the full pension benefits, that is, somehow endeavor to liquidate such an enormous liability as \$49,000,000.00, but that it would give to each one of the present clergy in active service a minimum of \$600.00; that is, if he retired so soon after the inauguration of the system that the assessment paid by his church would only entitled him to \$100.00, we would give him that \$100.00 and give him \$500.00 from a special fund. To do that, which is not a very great thing, would cost \$5,000,000.00—cost this, you understand, above the seven and one-half per cent. annual assessment.

This report of the commission was submitted to the General Convention and after elaborate discussion was accepted. It was then submitted to each diocesan convention and by them accepted. Then it became imperative that we raise the \$5,000,000 to set the system going.

Five Million Dollars is one of the largest sums of money ever raised by any organization religious or secular, and is the very largest amount ever raised by general subscription with a distinct time limit under which, if all of it were not subscribed by a certain date, every cent would be lost.* In the meantime I had resigned from the Carnegie Foundation and the Church Pension Fund had an office and we were organizing. We had a special charter from the Legislature of New York under the title of "The Church Pension Fund." We put ourselves under the inspection of the insurance department of that State. We had as our actuary the head actuary of the Equitable Life Assurance Society. We had our office in Wall Street in the Bankers' Trust Building. We had serving as trustees the ablest business men in our church, Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan, Mr. Truesdale, President of the Lackawanna Railroad, Mr. Samuel Mather of Cleveland, Mr. Charles A. Peabody, President of the Mutual Life Insurance Company, and so on.

When this Five Millions had to be raised we proceeded to study the problem as we had originally studied the problem of pensions. We studied all the methods of raising money that had been used to raise large sums throughout the world for the last thirty years. With this experience tabulated and digested we proceeded to draw up our plan, and it was finally submitted to our Board of Trustees. When this Board of Trustees, after about two hours discussion, gave

*The date of this address was before the great Red Cross campaign.

their approval, we felt that we had done everything possible and that we could go ahead without misgivings.

One important element in the plan was that the office must have \$125,000.00 at the start for expenses in order to raise the Five Millions. A great trouble in all religious organizations is the way in which they try to do things without an adequate budget. This the Church Pension Fund avoided. The \$125,000 was raised by Bishop Lawrence within a few days; we then had the sinews of war and were not troubled about expense. We could say to every contributor that one hundred cents of every dollar would go to the fund. Eventually the total cost of the campaign was well under two percent.

A second important item was adequate publicity. We did not feel that our church press was fully adapted to publicity purposes. I do not know how it is with the Reformed Church, but we felt it so with our Church. We were fortunate in securing the services of Mr. Ivy Lee, who had been head publicity man for the Pennsylvania Railroad and later for the Standard Oil Company. Mr. Lee laid out our plan of campaign. We did not bore the newspapers with a lot of things that did not amount to anything, but when we wanted to get a full column in the New York dailies, we got it. We published few pamphlets, but the ones we published were full target hits.

But the great thing is organization. Again, I think, we departed somewhat from the accepted traditions. There were no collections in churches until the very end of the campaign, when they would not do any harm. We swept away the entire idea of collections in Sunday Schools and by Women's Auxiliaries. If you are going to raise \$5,000,000, you must have an organization adequate to the task. Pennies in the Sunday School are very good, but it takes too many to make \$5,000,000. Our Plan instead was to organize in each diocese a committee from the strongest laymen our Church has. When a great cause is properly presented it is always possible to get the biggest men to give time and energy to the proposition. These diocesan committees in turn organized parochial committees of a similar character so that all of our people, would be reached in the most effective way.

Our decision next in importance was that we would begin at the top. It is a great mistake in raising money to begin at the bottom. People at the top are likely to get a reduced idea of what they ought to do. We began the first of January, 1916, and refused to allow anybody in the sixty-eight dioceses to offer any money. In the meantime our publicity department was at work, and by the middle of February we began to feel that the atmosphere, at least in New York, was appropriate. People began to discuss the Church

Pension Fund at dinner parties, theatres, and so forth. Then Bishop Lawrence said to me, "I think the atmosphere is properly saturated." It was. Early in March Bishop Lawrence announced one million dollars. A small amount makes no impression, but a million strikes the attention. Of course, the only way we could raise a million in a few weeks was for Bishop Lawrence to go to a certain number of gentlemen and ask them for something like a hundred thousand dollars apiece. We were then well started, and on the second of April we announced two million dollars. The first of July we announced three million dollars. And it is curious to see how very carefully you can manage these things, for in our original programme we had fixed on the thirtieth of June as the day when we ought to have three million dollars, and on that day we had it. On the first of January, 1917, we were able to announce four million.

By that time all of the dioceses were thoroughly organized and at work upon a carefully drawn up plan. Bishop Lawrence to see the very biggest men when possible, the diocesan committee to see the next biggest men, the local committee to see every one else possible, but never to interfere with the carefully segregated lists reserved for the diocesan committee and for Bishop Lawrence.

We planned to have as a result of this careful organization five million dollars on the first of March. But such a flood of contributions came in that the total went up to almost eight and one-half millions. That, gentlemen, is the result of organization led by an inspiring personality like Bishop Lawrence. Everyone of our ninety-one dioceses and missionary districts is adequately represented, from the two million of New York and the eleven hundred thousand of Philadelphia to five hundred dollars from Sitka, Alaska, and thirty-five dollars from Point Barrow, Alaska, the most northern point in the world where any Episcopal services are held. The individual contributions range from \$250,000 from rich and generous Churchmen and women down to a few cents from poor and equally generous Churchmen and women. The Carnegie Corporation, because of the service it believed the Church Pension Fund was doing to the scientific study of pensions, gave us our largest gift, one of \$325,000.

On the twenty-eighth of February, 1917, the campaign ended thus happily. Bishop Lawrence returned to his diocese which had generously given him a year's leave of absence, having exhibited the qualities of a great ecclesiastical statesman and a leader of men. On March first an assessment of seven and a half percent. began to run against every Episcopal Church in the United States, and our Trustees were prepared to pay pensions.

Three months have elapsed. The response in assessments has

been inspiring. Our Church will evidently support the pension assessments in the same wonderful way that it supported the campaign for the five million dollar reserve. Thousands of dollars of pensions have already been granted and have begun to be paid. I hardly think that it is an exaggeration to say that we can already discern the first faint signs of new freshening of life throughout our Church, as our aged rectors can retire honorably and make way for vigorous youth, and as all of our clergy, both those in middle life and those still young, feel the increase of calmness and of strength which comes from a surcease of anxiety over their own future and the future of the wife and little ones.

It would be impertinent in me to give advice to the Reformed Church, but I do take the liberty of suggesting that if you think seriously of making an adequate pension provision for your ministers, you appoint the ablest board of men you can get, and then leave the problem to their judgment. Don't hamper them. Second, this is a great problem, that of pensions. It needs to be studied in a profound way, and I submit that you should not be satisfied with the result of your commission, unless they show by their report that they really have studied the problem as profoundly as the difficulty requires. And the third thing is, that if, in working out your pension problem, you find it necessary to raise any large sum of money, do not forget the rich men. We all know how generous the poor are, but the fact is that the rich are also generous, generous of their money and, what is still more important, generous of their time. Give them the opportunity to give both. Tell them their Church asks of them a great service for a great cause and requires not only their money but their concentrated and enthusiastic attention and work. If you make the call in a large enough way, I am sure that the response will be on an equally large plane.

In your success I am sure the Church Pension Fund and the entire Episcopal Church will rejoice. This is a movement, in which our Church has apparently been privileged to lead the way, to deal justly with a noble band of men and women, and to show forth to the world that organized Christianity has the ability and the fairness to guard tenderly and adequately against the feebleness of age and disease the solemnly appointed messengers of the gospel. The new vigor which the Gospel will thereby take will both inspire and delight all Christians.

The following Resolutions were offered in regard to compensation for the Press Clerk, and were adopted:

Resolved, That the General Synod approve the inclusive of an

annual salary for its Press Clerk, as one of the regular charges upon its contingent fund;

Resolved, That such compensation of Synod's Press Clerk be at the rate of \$50 per annum, and be in addition to and independent of, any allowance to him for the expense of his office.

Resolved, That this compensation be retro-active, as respects the period of his service for the present meeting of the Synod, or, be for the year 1916-1917, as well as for the coming year, and hereafter, until further action of the Synod.

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE GENERAL SYNOD ON BETTER ACCOMMODATIONS AT ASBURY PARK.

To the General Synod, Reformed Church in America:

At the General Synod of 1916, the undersigned were appointed a special committee "for considering the means of making proper accommodations for the meeting of Synod at Asbury Park."

As soon as possible after the adjournment of the Synod your committee met for the consideration of this matter, and at once decided that no consideration of the needs of the Synod for its place of meeting could be given without taking into full consideration the needs also of the Asbury Park Church, and the opportunities which it might have for a larger service in its community if its building were not only better adapted to the needs of the Synod, but also more adequate for its local ministry.

Your committee thereupon conducted its investigation along two lines: First, to determine the needs of the community which might be met by a better physical equipment of the church, and: Second, to determine the kind of a building or buildings which could be efficiently used by the local congregation for an enlargement of its service and which would also meet the needs of the General Synod as a frequent place of meeting.

Members of your committee visited Asbury Park to conduct these investigations, examined other church buildings in the community, and made as careful study of the needs of our church and its neighborhood as circumstances permitted. It was evident at the outset that many if not most of the churches of the community have better equipment than has the Reformed Church. Some of them have new and modern buildings, others have structures that have been enlarged and newly equipped. Our own church has an auditorium large enough for its normal Sunday services, a very small chapel or Sunday school room and that is all. It has had to refrain from many activities along the lines of organizations for

the young people, so necessary in the church of today, for lack of suitable meeting places. These facilities have been provided in other churches of the town and it seems reasonable to suppose that not only would a more rapid growth have been apparent in our church had it been properly equipped to enlist the activities of the young, but it would have exerted a greater and wider influence for righteousness in the community than has been possible under existing circumstances. Having reached this conclusion, your committee continued its study of the situation in order to determine the best way in which the present church building could be altered or enlarged to provide better facilities for its service, and also to provide the needed accommodations for the meetings of the General Synod.

The advice of a competent architect was secured and he has prepared the plans which are submitted herewith. The present church building is utilized for a Sunday school room, with the idea that the separate class rooms shown will prove adequate for use as committee rooms for the Synod. A new church building is provided, to be erected upon the corner of Grand and Sewell Avenues the present structure being turned round and placed upon the southerly end of the church property. A basement is provided under the whole structure, which would give added facilities for the church and the Synod. The plan provides for facing the whole group of buildings with brick, which would give a substantial and dignified appearance. A study of the drawings submitted herewith will indicate many other advantages which need not be mentioned here.

The cost of this improvement would be close to Fifty Thousand Dollars, which amount includes the cost of the lot adjoining the parsonage on Sewell Avenue, which it would be necessary to secure if this improvement is undertaken. Your committee has already secured the control of this adjoining property, so that it may be available if it should be decided to carry out this plan. Although it was not specifically included in the resolution under which your committee was appointed, some effort has been made to determine where funds could be secured to carry forward this proposed improvement, but the committee has little to report concerning this except that the people of the Asbury Park Church have undertaken to remove the mortgage now held by the Board of Domestic Missions upon the property, with the understanding that the Board will reloan the amount with a substantial addition, if it should be necessary in order to carry out this important plan.

Your committee now awaits the further direction of the General Synod. It recognizes the fact that the plan submitted herewith may be considered an ideal one, and that some less expensive improvement may be deemed advisable. But the Committee feels that.

in the present plan it has provided fully for the future of the church as well as for the comfort and convenience of the General Synod, and that if it is desired to build permanently and adequately, effort should be made to secure the amount of money needed, large although that amount may be, before consideration is given to cheaper and less comprehensive schemes.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

JAMES M. FARRAR, Chairman,
E. G. W. MEURY,
JAMES S. KITTELL,
HENRY LOCKWOOD,
C. DOSKER,
W. T. DEMAREST, Secretary.

The Report was received and the following Resolution was offered and adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee be continued and given power to take such steps as may be practicable to carry forward the plan reported.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HYMNAL.

To the General Synod of the R. C. A.:

Your Committee appointed to collaborate with a like Committee of the Reformed Church in the United States in the preparation of a new Church Hymn Book beg leave to submit the following report:

It has probably seemed to many that the Committee has been somewhat dilatory in their work, the first three members of the Committee having been appointed by the General Synod of 1913, and four others added by the General Synod of 1914; but we could not well have brought in our final report at an earlier date than this: for the triennial General Synod of the German Church has not convened since 1914 until the latter part of last month. Also a work of this nature cannot be well done, if done hurriedly, even by a committee of two or three; while a committee of ten, twelve or fourteen, must necessarily consume more time in reaching harmonious conclusions; since it is well known that genuine lovers of Church Music often differ widely in taste as to tunes, and in judgment as to hymns. We are happy to report, however, that the Joint Committee of the two Churches, as the result of patience, persistence, Christian courtesy and charity, and unflinching brotherly

kindness have reached the formal completion of the work assigned them, which we hope will meet with your entire approval.

The Joint Committee consisted of fourteen men,—seven from the German General Synod, and seven from our own General Synod. The German Church committeemen were all men of experience, standing, and musical ability as well as musical taste. They were chosen from different sections of their Church, from Milwaukee, from Chicago, from Maryland, from southeastern and from central Pennsylvania, while the Chairman of the Joint Committee was the Rev'd Professor James I. Good, from the Church-at-large; he was always indefatigable in his enthusiastic and painstaking zeal for our work. Our own seven Committeemen were necessarily reduced to three working members; for the entire Western section—Rev. Drs. Vennema and Kolyn, and Rev. Mr. Schnuecker—were unable to meet with the Joint Committee in Philadelphia, (where all our meetings were held);—with them however the Chairman of our Church section has kept in correspondence;—and of the four men in the Eastern section the Rev. Dr. Collier has not been able to attend our Committee meetings, but has written often, and with much of suggestive and helpful detail. Dr. Bruce and Rev. Mr. Mabon, however, have been most valuable, reliable, and every way loyal fellow helpers in our work.

We offer for your leisurely examination here these two large volumes, containing our selected hymns and tunes, arranged in alphabetical order; and we also place herewith in your hands a sixteen-page alphabetical index of the first lines of these hymns with tunes assigned, which we are sure you will look over carefully.

For this submitted Hymn Book we suggest the name, "THE HYMNAL OF THE REFORMED CHURCH";—for although two Churches have engaged in the undertaking, they are "so nearly alike, and so closely akin" as to faith, and polity and history, that the Committee believe this new Hymnal "may be the prophecy and the beginning of a still closer union" of the two Churches.

The index now in your hands, with the "Dummy Hymn Book," are the product of nearly five years of most careful examination and study of all the latest hymn books of all the leading Churches in this country and Great Britain; and they are also the net result of the pains-taking revision of our own lists no less than five times.

THE HYMNS. Now in regard to the hymns. They number six hundred and forty-six, and represent a total of 350 less than the contents of our Church Hymnary. About one hundred and twenty of these are modern hymns, not found in the hymn books of either Dutch or German Reformed Church. Some of the old hymns formerly occasionally used have been omitted; yet the old immortal favorites have been retained. Here and there hymns of Watts, or

Wesley or Wordsworth have given place to modern hymns by such authors as Matheson, Bonar, Havergal, Longfellow, Whittier, Tennyson, Van Dyke, Gladden, North and others. A distinct advantage of the new Hymnal is the greater variety in the Hymn Topics. Infrequent, yet important occasions in the Church, for which at present we have no suitable hymns, are now provided for. Hymns are introduced which are properly listed under such topics as, Social Service, Brotherhood, Peace, The Home, Mothers' Meetings, Education, For Men at the Front, and Dedication of Church Bell. The Missionary Hymns of the Church, the Sacramental Hymns, National Hymns, and Children's Service Hymns have been enriched by valuable additions. Reformation and Denominational Hymns, specially appropriate to our great Protestant anniversaries, are introduced. We believe that our congregations will be pleased with the greater variety and the modern flavor of our hymns,—even though the total number is smaller—as well as the number under separate topics—smaller—than in our Church Hymnary.

In the arrangement of the Table of Contents the Committee has endeavored to combine the Church Year with the Modern arrangement as found in the best hymn books of to-day. It is as follows:

1	Opening of Service.	D	Consecration and Faith.
2	Close of Service.	E	Trust.
3	Morning.	F	Love and Gratitude.
4	Evening.	G	Trial and Temptation.
5	The Lord's Day.	H	The Communion of Saints.
6	General Praise.	I	Prayer.
7	God the Father.	J	Aspiration.
8	Our Lord Jesus Christ.	12	The Scriptures.
A	Advent.	13.	The Church and Ministry.
B	Nativity.	14	The Sacraments.
C	Epiphany.	15	The Kingdom of God.
D	Temptation.	A	Service and Brotherhood.
E	Life, Ministry and Example.	B	Warfare.
F	Passion and Crucifixion.	C	Missions.
G	Resurrection.	D	Eternal Life.
H	Ascension and Reign.	16	Occasional Hymns.
9	The Holy Spirit.	A	Burial Service.
10	The Trinity.	B	The Year.
11	The Christian Life.	C	National.
A	Salvation.	D	Reformed, Denominational and Anniversary.
B	Invitation.		
C	Repentance.		

E Harvest and Thanksgiv-
ing.

F Marriage.

G The Home.

H For those at Sea.

I Children's Service.

J Evangelistic.

17 Chants and Doxologies.

THE TUNES. Concerning the Tunes the Committee may add, that we have tried to follow the latest hymn-book method, giving a tune to each hymn, and in certain cases adding a familiar tune to a new tune, or referring to a third suitable musical setting. It may be well here to remind the members of General Synod, that sometimes the *first-choice* tune is dear to German Church singers of a certain hymn, while the *second* tune is more familiar to us of the Dutch Church; and in the case of other tunes and hymns the conditions are reversed. In both Churches also are some who appreciate the more artistic or classical tune, and many who distinctly prefer the simpler and easier tune. To quote the Chairman of our Joint Committee: "Our aim has been to try to suit both classes" in our Churches "by placing under a new or more artistic tune" the reference to "a familiar tune." Our ideal has been to select a tune that combines good melody with good harmony;" for we hope "that the Hymnal may encourage Congregational Singing,—which has always been the glory of the Protestant Church." With this in mind we have lowered the pitch of several tunes which have proved too high for general use, and in other cases have raised the pitch a half-tone. We therefore trust that any who at first may be inclined to criticize our work will bear in mind that the book has been designed for the use of all classes of people in both Churches.

THE CHANTS. The section of Chants and Responses has been somewhat enlarged for the convenience of Choirs and Organists wishing to enrich the Sunday Morning and Evening Musical Service.

THE INDEXES. After the plan followed in all the modern hymn books the Indexes will be placed in the front of the Hymnal; the first Index showing on a single line the first line of the hymn, its number, author, assigned tune and its composer. Following will be indexes of Tunes, alphabetical and metrical, indexes of Authors and Composers, and finally a very full Topical Index, which may well displace the older style Scripture Text Index.

We have tried to avoid mistakes that often impair the usefulness of the ordinary hymn book; such as misplaced emphasis in words or music, intricate or involved harmonies, and difficult or depressing minor-key tunes, as well as hymns that are unduly sentimental or introspective, or of questionable orthodoxy, or offensive to the good taste of modern Christian people.

We take pleasure in stating here that the German Church Gen-

eral Synod, lately in session at Dayton, Ohio, have cordially approved our proposed Hymnal, and have ordered it sent down to the Classes for their action.

And now, Brethren of the General Synod, we are happy to place in your hands "THE HYMNAL OF THE REFORMED CHURCH," which is two-thirds the size of our Church Hymnary, and which even now, in these days of greatly increased expense for paper, plate-work, printing and binding, *can be published for us at but a little more than two-thirds the price of our Church Hymnary.*

And since many of our Churches have waited long and patiently for the "new hymn-book," we trust that you may see your way clear to approve our work thus far done, and order "The Hymnal of the Reformed Church" *published* at as early a date, at as low a rate, and in as comely a volume, as possible.

Respectfully submitted for the Committee,

E. P. JOHNSON, Chairman,
W. P. BRUCE,
A. F. MABON,
E. A. COLLIER,
A. VENNEMA,
M. KOLYN,
G. SCHNUCKER.

Pending the adoption of this Report Rev. Arthur F. Mahon, and Rev. James I. Good addressed Synod:

A Resolution was adopted that the book should be entitled "The Hymnal of the Reformed Church." Then the following Resolution was adopted:*

That the Synod approves the Hymnal prepared by the Special Committee appointed for this purpose, and further that this committee be continued to embody, as far as possible, the suggestion offered by the Synod, and also to arrange to publish the hymn book, in co-operation with the Boards of Publication of our Church and of the Reformed Church in the United States; and if the work cannot be done in co-operation, "then to publish."

THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE JOINT CELEBRATION OF THE REFORMATION

The Committee would report to the General Synod concerning the Joint Meetings of the Reformed Church in America and the Reformed Church in the United States on the celebration of the 400th Anniversary of the Reformation.

I. With regard to the Joint Meeting at Akron, Ohio—Grand

Rapids, Mich.: We recommend the appointment of Prof. Matthew Kolyn, D. D., Prof. John W. Beardslee, D. D., Prof. J. E. Kuizenga, President Ame Vennema, D. D., all to be called as the Committee to confer with the representatives of the Reformed Church in the United States, for the Joint Meeting at Akron, Ohio, and to prepare the program and speakers to represent our Church at that meeting.

II. With regard to the Joint Meetings at Philadelphia and New York: We recommend the appointment of the following committee: Prof. E. P. Johnson, D. D., J. Frederick Berg, Ph.D., David J. Burrell, D. D., and Rev. C. F. C. Suckow to arrange the programs and speakers to represent our Church at these gatherings.

III. For the celebration of the Reformation in the local churches of the denomination on October 28th, 1917, that the following committee be appointed to assist the pastors and churches in securing the material for a worthy and full celebration of Reformation Day: Rev. E. W. Miller, Chairman, Rev. Theo. F. Bayles, Rev. P. S. Leinbach, Elder F. R. Hutton.

We submit also the following resolution to cover the expenses of this celebration:

Resolved, That the Synod meet one-half of the joint expense of the Joint Celebrations at Grand Rapids, Akron, New York and Philadelphia; the sum of \$250 to be appropriated to pay for the traveling expenses of the speakers.

I. W. GOWEN, Chairman,
J. FREDERIC BERG,
P. S. LEINBACH,
MATTHEW KOLYN,
F. R. HUTTON,
F. V. SANFORD,
C. DOSKER.

The Report was adopted.

Dr. James I. Good requested that \$150 be furnished as the apportionment for our fellowship for the publishing of the works of Ulrich Zwingli.

A Resolution was adopted that a Committee be appointed to secure the money desired.

The following were appointed: Rev. Sartel Prentice, Rev. J. Harvey Murphy and Elder J. B. Nykerk.

ARTICLE XXVI.

RESUMPTION AND CLOSE.

The Committee on Leave of Absence presented reports from time to time and members of Synod were excused in accord with the recommendations of the Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THE NEXT PLACE OF MEETING.

There have been placed in the hands of your Committee four references in the nature of Invitations to our General Synod for its next regular meeting.

These communications are from Atlantic City, Chicago, Asbury Park and the Classis of Saratoga.

Your Committee has been impressed with the sincerity, cordiality and heartiness of these communications and note the tone of continued hospitality in that which has come from the Church in which we are now gathered.

Careful enquiry has been made concerning the interest and action of the Classis of Saratoga evinced in its overtures accompanied by an invitation from the Business Men's Assn. of Saratoga Springs, N.Y. We are reminded of the action of the Synod of 1915 declaring the disirability of "holding the Gen. Synod of the Church in such places within the widely extended boundaries of the Church as may offer satisfactory accommodations, that thus the inspiration of Synod's Sessions may be more widely felt throughout the Church."

We have conferred with the Delegates from the Classis of Saratoga, and are led to believe that satisfactory arrangements can be made for the comfort and convenience of General Synod in Saratoga at rates which will compare favorably with those elsewhere, obtainable.

We are convinced that the influence of a meeting of General Synod will be joyously welcomed by and mean very much to the churches of the Hills and Valleys of the Upper Hudson and Mohawk, as well as to the churches of adjacent territory, your Committee therefore offers the following:

First—Resolved, That the General Synod receives with deep appreciation and grateful acknowledgment the Invitations extended.

Second—Resolved, That in view of the peculiar urgency which seems to accompany the request of the Classis of Saratoga, the

General Synod shall hold its next regular meeting at Saratoga, N. Y.

Respectfully submitted by the Committee,
ISAAC SPERLING, Chairman,
JOHN BULNES,
A. M. CONGER,
A. HUMMER,
JACOB WINTERS,
J. A. McDOUGALL.

While under motion to adopt the Report, and after considerable discussion, a substitute motion was offered that the General Synod meet in 1918 at Asbury Park. The substitute motion prevailed.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Your Standing Committee on Resolutions desires to report receipt of petition from the Federation of Men's adult Bible Classes of Holland, Mich.:

Making request of President Woodrow Wilson for a national day of prayer for the enlisted men and for an abundant harvest. The Committee recognizes the spirit animating the petitioners and realizes the necessity of divine oversight of the lives and morals of our army and it feels the world's dependence upon the products of American soil. Yet the Committee deems it undesirable to recommend a petition for any special class or industry in view of a previous act of this Synod calling for a Day of Prayer for all classes and conditions of to-day.

The Committee desires to present the following resolutions for adoption:

1. An appreciative acceptance of the courtesy always extended by the pastor and all the officials of the church entertaining this Synod; of the press, and of the several Hotel Managements.

2. A recognition of the capability of the elected officers of Synod in the orderly dispatch of its business; of the Permanent Officers for their conscientious activity; for the stimulating addresses of our Board Secretaries; for the concise, thoughtful reports of the Standing Committees for the firm bond uniting the several Women's activities to the high interests of the denomination, and of the members of the Synod for their faithful attendance upon each session, and genial acceptance of every ruling.

3. Resolved, That our prayers shall embrace the Nations emphasizing a decadent civilization, that they may be released from the mesmerizing effect of pure worldliness, and that their intelligence may cease to minister to the uplift of the "lesser breeds without the law."

4. That we resolve to go forth to experience the old delights with new joy, because of our immeasurable enrichment during these hours. To go forth with a consecrated recklessness, defying all criticism by the world, the flesh and the devil, under a deepened conviction that a helpful, prayerful, watchful sentinel, the Son of Him with Whom is finality, is over us.

"He who goes about from place to place,
And whispers through this world of space
In the darkest night that 'all is well.'"

The Committee,
REVS. ALBERT VON SCHLIEDER,
C. K. CLEARWATER,
H. B. ALLEN,
C. HEINES,
ELDERS J. C. HERTSTEIN,
ARTHUS S. VAN BUSKIRK,
PHILIP CASE.

ARTICLE XXVII.

ADJOURNMENT.

The Journal was read and approved.

On motion the reading of the Minutes was omitted.

The President called the pastor of the Asbury Park Church to the platform, and he addressed the Synod.

The President addressed Synod in a closing word.

The hymn, "Blest be the Tie That Binds," was sung.

The Synod was led in a closing prayer by the Rev. Benjamin Hoffman, and after the Benediction the President declared Synod adjourned to meet in regular session at Asbury Park in 1918.

J. P. SEARLE, President,
J. A. JONES, Vice President,
HENRY LOCKWOOD, Stated Clerk,
CLIFFORD P. CASE, Permanent Clerk.
JOHN A. VAN ZOMEREN,
H. K. HOTALING,
Temporary Clerks.

Presidents of the General Synod.

The names of all the Presidents from 1794 to 1869, inclusive, will be found in the printed Minutes of 1899, pp. 580, 581.

Date.	Presidents.	From What State.	Place of Meeting.
June, 1870—	Rev. Ashbel G. Vermilye.....	New York....	Newark, N. J.
" 1871—	Rev. William J. R. Taylor....	New Jersey	Albany, N. Y.
Sept., 1871—	Rev. William J. R. Taylor....	New Jersey....	Brooklyn, N. Y.
June, 1872—	Rev. Joachim Elmendorf	New York....	Brooklyn, N. Y.
" 1873—	Rev. Acmon P. Van Gieson...	New York..	N. Brunswick, N. J.
" 1874—	Rev. Goyne Talmage	N. Jersey..	Poughkeepsie, N. Y.
" 1875—	Rev. Charles Scott	Michigan...	Jersey City, N. J.
" 1876—	Rev. John McC. Holmes.....	New York....	Kingston, N. Y.
" 1877—	Rev. Rufus W. Clark.....	New York....	New York City
" 1878—	Rev. Jacob Chamberlain	India	Utica, N. Y.
" 1879—	Rev. Abraham R. Van Nest...	Pennsylvania...	Newark, N. J.
" 1880—	Rev. John A. DeBaun.....	New York ..	Brooklyn, N. Y.
" 1881—	Rev. Isaac S. Hartley.....	New York....	Hudson, N. Y.
Oct., 1881—	Rev. Isaac S. Hartley.....	New York....	Schenectady, N. Y.
June 1882—	Rev. Edward P. Ingersoll....	New York....	Schenectady, N. Y.
" 1883—	Rev. William R. Duryee.....	New Jersey....	Albany, N. Y.
" 1884—	Rev. David Cole	New York....	G. Rapids, Mich.
" 1885—	Rev. J. Howard Suydam.....	New Jersey....	Syracuse, N. Y.
" 1886—	Rev. John B. Drury.....	New York..	N. Brunswick, N. J.
" 1887—	Rev. Charles I. Shepard.....	New York....	Catskill, N. Y.
" 1888—	Rev. Mancius H. Hutton.....	New Jersey....	Catskill, N. Y.
" 1889—	Rev. Evert Van Slyke.....	New York....	Catskill, N. Y.
" 1890—	Rev. J. Romeyn Berry	New York....	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1891—	Rev. E. T. Corwin.....	New Jersey....	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1892—	Rev. F. S. Schenck.....	New York....	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1893—	Rev. Cornelius Brett	New Jersey....	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1894—	Rev. Edward A. Collier	New York....	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1895—	Rev. Peter Stryker	New York....	G. Rapids, Mich.
" 1896—	Rev. John B. Thompson.....	New Jersey....	Catskill, N. Y.
" 1897—	Rev. Charles W. Fritts.....	New York....	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1898—	Rev. Edward B. Coe.....	New York....	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1899—	Rev. George S. Bishop.....	New Jersey....	Catskill, N. Y.
" 1900—	Rev. Edward P. Johnson.....	New York....	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1901—	Rev. Denis Wortman	New York..	N. Brunswick, N. J.
" 1902—	Rev. Abbott E. Kittredge....	New York....	Asbury Park, N. J.

June, 1903—	Rev. Cornelius L. Wells.....	New York.	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1904—	Rev. James F. Zwemer.....	Michigan	G. Rapids, Mich.
" 1905—	Rev. James M. Farrar.....	New York.	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1906—	Rev. Donald Sage Mackey...	New York...	New York City
" 1907—	Rev. Ame Vennema	New Jersey...	Albany, N.Y.
" 1908—	Rev. Wm. I. Chamberlain....	New Jersey.	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1909—	Rev. W. H. S. Demarest.....	New Jersey..	Rochester, N. Y.
" 1910—	Rev. James I. Vance.....	New Jersey.	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1911—	Rev. Philetus T. Pockman....	New Jersey.	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1912—	Rev. Wm. P. Bruce.....	New York...	G. Rapids, Mich.
" 1913—	Rev. James S. Kittell.....	New York.	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1914—	Rev. John G. Fagg.....	New York.	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1915—	Rev. Isaac W. Gowen.....	New Jersey.	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1916—	Rev. Peter Moerdyke	Michigan	Holland, Mich.
" 1917—	Rev. J. Preston Searle.....	New Jersey.	Asbury Park, N. J.

Stated Clerks.

Rev. Cornelius Brouwer,	elected.....	1800
Rev. James V. C. Romeyn,	"	1806
Rev. John M. Bradford,	"	1812
Rev. Selah S. Woodhull,	"	1818
Rev. John Knox,	"	1820
Rev. Thomas M. Strong,	"	1828
Rev. David D. Demarest,	"	1862
Rev. Paul D. Van Cleef,	"	1871
Rev. W. H. Ten Eyck,	appointed [ad interim, for one year].....	1886
Rev. Paul D. Van Cleef,	resumed.....	1887
Rev. W. H. Ten Eyck,	appointed [ad interim, for one year].....	1895
Rev. W. H. DeHart,	elected.....	1896
Rev. Henry Lockwood,	appointed [ad interim, for one year].....	1914
Rev. Henry Lockwood,	elected.....	1915

Permanent Clerks.

Rev. Thomas C. Strong.....	1855-1862
Rev. Paul D. Van Cleef.....	1869-1871
Rev. Wm. H. Ten Eyck.....	1871-1907
Rev. Henry Lockwood	1907-1915
Rev. Clifford P. Case.....	1915—

PROFESSORS AND LECTORS.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AT NEW BRUNSWICK.

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- Rev. John H. Livingston, D. D.,
Professor of Didactic Theology, etc., 1784-1825.
- Rev. Hermanus Myers, D. D.,
Professor Languages at Pompton Plains, 1784-91.
Lector in Theology at Pompton Plains, 1786-91.
- Rev. Solomon Froeligh, D. D.,
Lector in Theology at Hackensack, N. J., 1792-7.
Professor of Didactic Theology, Hackensack, N. J., 1797-1822.
- Rev. Theodore (Dirck) Romeyn, D. D.,
Lector in Theology at Schenectady, N. Y., 1792-7.
Professor of Didactic Theology, 1797-1804.
- Rev. John Bassett, D. D.,
Teacher of Hebrew at Boght, Schoharie Co., and at Albany,
N. Y., 1804-12.
- Rev. Jeremiah Romeyn, D. D.,
Professor of Hebrew at Linlithgo, Harlem, Schoharie and
Woodstock, 1804-6.
- Rev. John M. Van Harlingen, D. D.,
Professor of Hebrew and Ecclesiastical History at New
Brunswick, 1812-13.
- Rev. John Schureman, D. D.,
Professor of Ecclesiastical History, Church Government and
Pastoral Duties at New Brunswick, 1815-18.
- Rev. John Ludlow, D. D.,
Professor of Biblical Literature and Ecclesiastical History
at New Brunswick, 1819-23.

- Rev. John DeWitt, D. D.,
Professor of Biblical Literature and Ecclesiastical History
at New Brunswick, 1823-25.
Professor of Biblical Literature, 1825-31.
- Rev. Philip Milledoler, D. D.,
Professor of Didactic and Polemic Theology at New Brunswick, 1825-41.
- Rev. Selah S. Woodhull, D. D.,
Professor of Ecclesiastical History, Church Government and
Pastoral Theology, New Brunswick, 1825-26.
- Rev. James S. Cannon, D. D.,
Professor of Ecclesiastical History, Church Government and
Pastoral Theology, New Brunswick, 1826-52.
- Rev. Alexander McClelland, D. D.,
Professor Biblical Literature at New Brunswick, 1832-51.
- Rev. Samuel A. Van Vranken, D. D.,
Professor of Didactic and Polemic Theology at New Brunswick, 1841-61.
- Rev. William H. Campbell, D. D., LL.D.,
Professor of Biblical Literature at New Brunswick, 1851-63.
- Rev. John Ludlow, D. D.,
Professor of Pastoral Theology, Ecclesiastical History and
Church Government at New Brunswick, 1852-57.
- Rev. Samuel M. Woodbridge, D. D., LL.D.,
Professor of Pastoral Theology, Ecclesiastical History and
Church Government at New Brunswick, 1857-65.
Professor Ecclesiastical History and Church Government,
1865-1901.
Emeritus Professor of Ecclesiastical History and Church
Government, 1901-1905.
- Rev. Joseph F. Berg, D. D.,
Professor of Didactic and Polemic Theology at New Brunswick, 1861-71.

- Rev. John DeWitt, D. D., LL.D., Litt. D.,
Professor of Biblical Literature at New Brunswick, 1863-84.
Professor of Hellenistic Greek and New Testament Exegesis,
1884-92.
- Rev. David D. Demarest, D. D., LL.D.,
Professor of Pastoral Theology and Sacred Rhetoric at New
Brunswick, 1865-98.
- Rev. Abram B. Van Zandt, D. D., LL.D.,
Professor of Didactic and Polemic Theology at New Brun-
swick, 1872-81.
Emeritus Professor of Didactic and Polemic Theology, New
Brunswick, 1881.
- Rev. William V. V. Mabon, D. D., LL.D.,
Professor of Didactic and Polemic Theology at New Brun-
swick, 1881-92.
- Rev. John G. Lansing, D. D.,
Professor of Old Testament Languages and Exegesis at New
Brunswick, 1884-98.
- Rev. James F. Riggs, D. D.,
Professor of Hellenistic Greek and New Testament Exe-
gesis, 1892-98.
- Rev. John Preston Searle, D. D.,
Professor of Systematic Theology, 1893.
- Rev. John Gillespie, D. D.,
Professor of Hellenistic Greek and New Testament Exe-
gesis, 1898-1911.
- Rev. Ferdinand S. Schenck, D. D., LL.D.,
Professor of Practical Theology, 1899.
- Rev. John H. Raven, D. D.,
Professor of Old Testament Languages and Exegesis, 1899.
- Rev. William H. S. Demarest, D. D.,
Professor of Ecclesiastical History and Church Government,
1901-06.

- Rev. Edward P. Johnson, D. D.,
Professor of Sacred and Ecclesiastical History, 1906.
- Rev. J. Frederic Berg, D. D., Ph.D.,
Professor of Hellenistic Greek, and New Testament Exegesis,
1911-17.
- Rev. J. W. Beardslee, Jr., D. D., Ph.D.,
Professor of Hellenistic Greek, and New Testament Exegesis,
1917.

TEMPORARY ASSISTANTS.

- Rev. Peter Studdiford,
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To Consider Enlargement of Synod Church at Asbury Park.

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To Consider the Matter in All its Bearings and Relations of a Separate Corporate Existence, to Receive, Hold and Manage Any Gifts or Bequests in Trust for the Benefit of the Western Seminary.

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To Co-operate in the Work of the American Council of the World Alliance for Promoting International Friendship.

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Canarsie.....South Long Island
Carlstadt, Alto.....Cascades
Carmel, Rock Valley, Ia.....Iowa
Case Township, Moore, Okl., R.
 F. D. 3.Iowa
Castleton, *Emmanuel*....Rensselaer
Castlewood, Dempster, S. D. Dakota
Catskill, N. Y.Greene
Catskill, N. Y., *Kiskatom*....Greene
Cawker City, *Rotterdam*....Iowa
Cedar Grove, Wis.....Wisconsin
Centreville, Athenia, N. J. Paramus
Central Avenue, Jersey City,
 Palisades
Central Bridge, N. Y....Schoharie
Central Lake, Mich., *Atwood*,
 Grand River
Chancellor, S. D., *First*..Germania
Chancellor, S. D., *First Lennox*,
 Pleasant Prairie
Chandler, Minn.Iowa
Chapin, Ia., *Zion*..Pleasant Prairie
Charles Mix, Platte, S. D..Dakota
Chatham, N. Y.....Rensselaer
Chicago, Ill.—
First, 13th Pl.....Wisconsin
First Englewood, 62d and Pe-
 oria Sts.Wisconsin

CHURCH.	CLASSIS.	CHURCH.	CLASSIS.
<i>Second, Englewood</i>	Wisconsin	Corsica, S. D.	Dakota
<i>Bethany, 130 111th St.</i>	Illinois	Cortland, N. Y.	Montgomery
<i>Emmanuel</i>	Illinois	<i>Cortlandtown, Montrose</i>	Westchester
<i>Gano, Clark and 117th Sts.,</i> Wisconsin		Coytesville, N. J.	Palisades
<i>North Western, W. Superior</i> St.	Illinois	Coxsackie, <i>First, West Coxsackie,</i> N. Y.	Greene
<i>Roseland, First, Michigan Ave.</i> and 107th St.	Wisconsin	Coxsackie, <i>Second</i>	Greene
<i>Trinity, Marshfield Ave.</i>	Illinois	Cranesville, N. Y.	Montgomery
<i>West Side, Oak Park.</i>	Wisconsin	Cranesville, N. Y., <i>First Glen-</i> <i>ville</i>	Schnectady
<i>West Side, Hungarian.</i>	Illinois	Crawford, Colo., <i>Fruitland.</i> . . .	Iowa
Churchville, Pa., <i>North and</i> <i>Southampton</i>	Philadelphia	<i>Crescent Place, Yonkers,</i> Westchester	
Churchville, Pipestone, Minn. . .	Iowa	<i>Cromwell Center, Everly, Ia.,</i> Germania	
Cicero, N. Y.	Montgomery	Cuddebackville, N. Y.	Orange
Clara City, Minn.— <i>First</i>	Iowa	Currytown, N. Y.	Montgomery
<i>Bethany</i>	Germania	<i>Cutting, Clymer, N. Y.</i>	Rochester
Claraville, Grahamsville, N. Y., Orange		Danforth, Ill.	Wisconsin
Clarkstown, West Nyack, N. Y., Paramus		<i>Dashville Falls, Rifton, N. Y.,</i> Kingston	
Clarksville, N. Y.	Albany	Davis, S. D.	Germania
Claverack, N. Y.	Hudson	Decatur, Mich.	Grand River
Cleveland, Ohio.— <i>First</i>	Holland	<i>Deerpark, Port Jervis, N. Y.</i> . .	Orange
<i>Calvary</i>	Holland	<i>Delaware, Lennox</i>	Germania
Clifton, N. J.	Paramus	Dell Rapids, Logan.	Germania
Closter, N. J.	Bergen	Delmar, N. Y.	Albany
Clove, High Falls, N. Y.	Kingston	<i>De Motte, Thayer, Ind.</i>	Wisconsin
Clover Hill, N. J.	Philadelphia	Dempster, S. D.	Germania
Clove Valley Chapel	New York	Detroit, Mich.	Grand River
<i>Clover Road Chapel, Staten Island,</i> New York		Dingman's Ferry, Pa., <i>Upper</i> Walpack	Orange
Clymer, N. Y., <i>Abbe.</i>	Rochester	Dolton, Ill.	Wisconsin
<i>Clymerhill, Clymer, N. Y.</i>	Rochester	Doon, Ia.	Iowa
Cobleskill, N. Y.	Schoharie	Dunanesburg, N. Y., <i>Princeton,</i> Schenectady	
Cobleskill, <i>Howe's Cave, First,</i> Schoharie		Dumont, Iowa	Pleasant Prairie
Coeyman's N. Y.	Albany	Dumont, N. J., <i>Schraalenburg,</i> Bergen	
Cohoes, N. Y.— <i>Boght</i>	Saratoga	<i>Dunningville, Hamilton, Mich.,</i> Holland	
<i>First</i>	Saratoga	East Belfast, Me., <i>Trinity.</i> . . .	New York
Cold Spring, N. Y.	Poughkeepsie	East Greenbush, N. Y., <i>Green-</i> <i>bush</i>	Rensselaer
College Point.	North Long Island	East Millstone.	New Brunswick
<i>Collegiate Church.</i>	New York	East Orange, N. J., <i>Orange, First,</i> Newark	
Colony, Oklahoma, <i>Columbian,</i> New York		East Orange, <i>Hyde Park.</i>	Newark
Columbia, N. Y.	Montgomery	<i>East Overisel, Hamilton.</i>	Holland
Colt's Neck, N. J.	Monmouth	<i>East Paris, Grand Rapids.</i> . . .	G. River
<i>Columbian, Colony, Okla.</i>	New York	East Williamson, N. Y.	Rochester
Conrad, Mont., <i>Montana.</i>	Cascades	Easton, Greenwich, N. Y. . . .	Saratoga
Constantine, Mich.	Michigan	<i>Ebenezer, Holland, Mich.</i>	Holland
Coopersville, Mich.	Grand River	<i>Ebenezer, Leighton, Ia.</i>	Pella
		<i>Ebenezer, Morrison, Ill.</i>	Wisconsin

CHURCH.	CLASSIS.	CHURCH.	CLASSIS.
<i>Ebenezer</i> , Oregon, Ill.	Pl. Prairie	Fort Miller, N. Y.	Saratoga
Edgerton, Minn.	Iowa	Fort Plain, <i>First</i>	Montgomery
Edgewood, Brooklyn	South L. I.	Fort Plain, <i>Stone Arabia</i> , Montgomery	
Eddyville, Ia.	Pella	<i>Fort Washington</i>	New York
<i>Elim</i> , Kings, Ill.	Pleasant Prairie	Forreston, Ill.	Pleasant Prairie
Ellenville, N. Y.	Orange	<i>Forrestville</i> , Ringle	Wisconsin
<i>Elmendorf Chapel</i>	New York	Franklin, Nutley, N. J.	Newark
Elmhurst, N. Y.— <i>Newtown, First</i> , <i>Second, German</i>	North L. I.	Franklin, Hales Corners, Wis., Wisconsin	
Elmsford, N. Y., <i>Greenburgh</i> , Westchester		Franklin Park, N. J., <i>Six Mile</i> Run	New Brunswick
Ellsworth, Minn., <i>Bethel</i>	Germania	<i>Free Grace</i> , Middleburg, Orange City, Ia.	Iowa
<i>Emmanuel</i> , Chicago	Illinois	<i>Freehold, First</i> , Marlboro, N. J., Monmouth	
<i>Emmanuel</i> , Castleton, N. Y., Rensselaer		Freehold, N. J., <i>Second</i>	Monmouth
<i>Emmanuel</i> , Poughkeepsie, Poughkeepsie		<i>Friesland</i> , Sandstone, Minn.	Iowa
<i>Englewood, First</i> , Chicago, Wisconsin		Fremont, Mich.	Grand River
<i>Englewood, Second</i> , Chicago, Wisconsin		<i>Fruitland Mesa</i> , Crawford, Colo., Iowa	
<i>English Neighborhood</i> , Ridge- field, N. J.	Bergen	Fulton, Ill., <i>First</i>	Wisconsin
Ephratah, N. Y.	Montgomery	Fulton, Ill., <i>Spring Valley</i>	Wisconsin
Erie, Ill., <i>Newton</i>	Wisconsin	Fultonville, N. Y.	Montgomery
<i>Esopus</i> , Ulster Park, N. Y.	Ulster	<i>Galesburg</i> , Kilduff, Ia.	Pella
Everly, <i>Cromwell Center</i>	Germania	Gallatin, Mount Ross, N. Y.	Hudson
Fairfield, N. J.	Passaic	<i>Gano</i> , Chicago	Wisconsin
<i>Faith</i> , Jersey City.	South Bergen	Gansevoort, N. Y.	Saratoga
<i>Fair Street</i> , Kingston.	Kingston	Gardiner, N. Y.	Kingston
Fairview, Ill.	Illinois	Garfield, N. J.	Paramus
<i>Fallsburgh</i> , Woodbourne.	Orange	Gary, Minn., <i>Spring Creek</i>	Iowa
Far Rockaway, <i>Ger. Evang.</i> , North Long Island		George, Ia.— <i>Hope</i>	Germania
Feura Bush, N. Y., <i>Jerusalem</i> , Albany		<i>German Evangelical</i> , Brooklyn, N. Y.	North Long Island
Feura Bush, N. Y., <i>Onesquethaw</i> , Albany		<i>German Evangelical</i> , Hoboken, N. J.	Palisades
<i>Fifth Street</i> , Bayonne, N. J., South Bergen		<i>German Evangelical</i> , Jamaica, N. Y.	North Long Island
Fishkill, N. Y.	Poughkeepsie	<i>German Evangelical</i> , Jersey City, N. J.	South Bergen
<i>Fishkill-on-Hudson</i> , Beacon, N. Y.	Poughkeepsie	<i>St. John's German Evangelical</i> , Jersey City.	South Bergen
Flatlands, Brooklyn, N. Y., South Long Island		<i>German Evangelical</i> , Plainfield, N. J.	Newark
<i>Flatbush</i> , Brooklyn.	South L. I.	<i>German Evangelical</i> , Elmhurst, L. I.	North Long Island
<i>Flatbush</i> , Saugerties, N. Y.	Ulster	<i>German Evangelical</i> , Fourth, New York City.	New York
Florence, S. C.	Philadelphia	<i>German Evangelical</i> , Far Rock- away, N. Y.	North Long Island
Florida, Minaville	Montgomery	<i>German Evangelical (St. Peter's)</i> , New York City.	New York
Flushing, N. Y.	North Long Island	Germantown, N. Y.	Hudson
Fonda, N. Y.	Montgomery		
<i>Fordham</i>	New York		
<i>Fort Herkimer</i> , Mohawk, N. Y., Montgomery			

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Germantown, N. Y., <i>Livingston</i>		<i>Grand View</i> , Armour, S. D..	Dakota
<i>Mem'l</i>	Hudson	Grandville, Mich.	Grand River
German Valley, Ill., <i>Silver Creek</i> ,		Grant, Mich.	Grand River
Pleasant Prairie		<i>Gravesend</i> , Brooklyn	South L. I.
Ghent, N. Y.—		Gray Hawk Chapel.....	New York
<i>First</i>	Rensselaer	<i>Greenburg</i> , Elmsford ..	Westchester
<i>Second</i>	Rensselaer	<i>Greenbush</i> , East Greenbush, N.	
<i>New Concord</i>	Rensselaer	Y.	Rensselaer
<i>Gibbsville</i> , Sheboygan Falls, Wis.,		<i>Greenleaf</i> ton, Preston ...	Wisconsin
Wisconsin		<i>Greenport</i> , Hudson, N. Y....	Hudson
Gilboa, N. Y.—		<i>Greenpoint</i> , Brooklyn ..	North L. I.
<i>First</i>	Schoharie	<i>Greenville</i> , Jersey City....	S. Bergen
<i>South</i>	Schoharie	<i>Greenville</i> , Scarsdale, N. Y.,	
Glen, N. Y.....	Montgomery	Westchester	
<i>Glenham</i> , Beacon, N. Y.,		Greenwich, N. Y.—	
Poughkeepsie		<i>First</i>	Saratoga
Glen Head, N. Y., <i>Oyster Bay</i> ,		<i>Easton</i>	Saratoga
North Long Island		<i>Greenwood Heights</i> , Brooklyn,	
Glen Rock, Ridgewood, N. J.,		N. Y.....	South Long Island
Paramus		<i>Griggstown</i> , Belle Mead, N. J.,	
Glenville, <i>First</i> , Cranesville, N.		New Brunswick	
Y.	Schenectady	<i>Grove Church</i> , New Durham,	
Scotia, N. Y.....	Schenectady	Weehawken, N. J.....	Bergen
Goodland, Ind.	Wisconsin	Guilderland Center, N. Y., <i>Hcl-</i>	
<i>Graafschap</i> , Holland, Mich..	Holland	<i>derberg</i>	Schenectady
<i>Grace</i> , Brooklyn..	South Long Island	<i>Guilford</i> , New Paltz, N. Y..	Kingston
<i>Grace</i> , Grand Rapids	Michigan	<i>Guttenberg</i> , Passaic, N. J..	Palisades
<i>Grace</i> , Orangeburgh, S. C.,		Hackensack, N. J.—	
Philadelphia		<i>First</i>	Bergen
Grahamsville, N. Y.....	Orange	<i>Second</i>	Bergen
Grahamsville, <i>Claraville</i>	Orange	<i>Third</i>	Bergen
Grahamsville, <i>Walkkill</i>	Orange	Hagaman, N. Y.....	Montgomery
Grand Gorge	Schoharie	Hales Corners, Wis., <i>Franklin</i> ,	
Grand Haven, Mich.—		Wisconsin	
<i>First</i>	Grand River	Hamilton, Mich.—	
<i>Second</i>	Michigan	<i>American</i>	Michigan
Grand Rapids, Mich.—		<i>Dunningville</i>	Holland
<i>Bethany</i>	Michigan	<i>East Overisel</i>	Holland
<i>Bethel</i>	Michigan	<i>First</i>	Holland
<i>East Paris</i>	Grand River	<i>Hamilton Grange</i>	New York
<i>Eighth</i> , Burton Ave..	Grand River	<i>Harlem</i> , Mich.	Holland
<i>Fifth</i> , Carpenter St..	Grand River	<i>Harlem</i> , New York City..	New York
<i>First</i> , Fountain St.....	Michigan	Harlingen, N. J.....	Philadelphia
<i>Fourth</i> , North Ionia St.,		Harrington Park, N. J.....	Bergen
Grand River		Harrison, S. D.....	Dakota
<i>Grace</i>	Michigan	Hasbrouck Heights, N. J..	Bergen
<i>Immanuel</i>	Michigan	Hastings-on-Hudson, N. Y.,	
<i>Knapp Ave.</i>	Michigan	Westchester	
<i>Ninth</i>	Grand River	Hawthorne, N. J.	Paramus
<i>Second</i>	Michigan	Hawthorne, N. Y., <i>Unionville</i> ,	
<i>Seventh</i> , Jeanette St....	G. River	Westchester	
<i>Sixth</i> (<i>Oakland Park</i>), Adams		<i>Helderberg</i> , Guilderland Center,	
St.	Grand River	N. Y.	Schenectady
<i>Third</i> , Diamond St...	Grand River	Herkimer, N. Y.....	Montgomery
<i>Trinity</i>	Michigan	Herman, Minn.	Germania

CHURCH.

CLASSIS.

Hicksville, N. Y. North Long Island
High Bridge (Union) New York
 City New York
 High Bridge, N. J. Raritan
 High Falls, N. Y., *Clove* Kingston
 Highland Park, N. J. N. Brunswick
 Highwood, N. J. Bergen
 High Woods, Mt. Marion, N. Y.,
 Ulster

Hillsborough, Millstone, N. J.,
 New Brunswick

Hingham, Wis. Wisconsin
 Hoboken, N. J.—

First Palisades
German Evangelical Palisades
Holland, Little Falls, N. J. Passaic
Holland, Wortendyke, N. J. Paramus
Holland, Fifth, Albany Albany
Holland, Sixth, Paterson Passaic
Holland, Union, Paterson Passaic
Holland, Mich.—

Ebenezer Holland
First Holland
Fourth Holland
Graafschap Holland
Harlem Holland
Hope Michigan
North Holland
Third Holland
Trinity Michigan
Sixth Holland

Holland, Neb. Iowa
 Holmdel, N. J. Monmouth
Hope, Big Timber, Mont. Cascades
Hope, George, Ia. Germania
Hope, Holland, Mich. Michigan
Hope, Westfield, N. D. Dakota
Hope, Sheboygan, Wis. Wisconsin
 Hopewell Junction, N. Y.,
 Poughkeepsie

Hospers, Iowa—

First Iowa
Newkirk Iowa

Howe's Cave, N. Y.—

First, Cobleskill, N. Y. Schoharie
Second Schoharie

Hudson City, Jersey City,
 South Bergen

Hudson, N. Y. Hudson
 Hudson, N. Y., *Greenport* Hudson
 Hudson, N. Y., *Hungarian* Hudson
 Hudsonville, Mich.—

Hudsonville Holland
South Blendon Holland
North Blendon Holland

CHURCH.

CLASSIS.

First Jamestown Holland
Huguenot Park, S. I. New York
 Hull, Ia., *First* Iowa
 Hull, Ia., *American* Dakota
Hungarian, Hudson Hudson
Hungarian, Peeskill, N. Y.,
 Westchester

Hurley, N. Y. Kingston
 Hyde Park, N. Y. Poughkeepsie
Hyde Park, East Orange, N. J.,
 Newark

Interlaken, N. Y. Montgomery
Immanuel, Belmond, Ia.,
 Pleasant Prairie

Immanuel, Grand Rapids, Mich.,
 Michigan

Indianapolis, Ind. Wisconsin
 Inwood, Ia. Iowa

Ireton, Ia. Iowa
 Irvington, N. J.—

First Newark
Second Newark

Jamaica, L. I.—

First North Long Island
German Evangelical North, L. I.
 Jamestown, Mich., *Second* Holland
 Jamestown, *First*, Hudsonville,
 Mich. Holland

Jay Gould Mem'l, Roxbury Ulster
 Jersey City, N. J.—

Bergen South Bergen
Central Avenue Palisades
Faith South Bergen
German Evang., *First*,
 South Bergen

Greenville South Bergen
Hudson City, *Second* S. Bergen

Lafayette South Bergen
Park South Bergen

St. John's German Ev. S. Bergen
First Van Vorst South Bergen

West Side South Bergen
 Jerusalem, N. Y.—

First, Feura Bush, N. Y. Albany
Onesquethaw Albany

Johnstown, N. Y. Montgomery
 Kalamazoo, Mich.—

First Grand River
Second Michigan

Third Grand River
Fourth Grand River

Bethany Michigan
Twin Lakes Grand River

North Park St. Michigan
 Katsbaan, Saugerties Ulster

CHURCH.

CLASSIS.

Kent St. (Greenpoint)..North L. I.
Kensington, Ital, Miss......Illinois
Kerhonkson, N. Y......Orange
Keyport, N. J......Monmouth
Killduff, Ia., First.....Pella
Killduff, Ia., Galesburg.....Pella
Kinderhook, N. Y......Rensselaer
Kings, Ill., Elim...Pleasant Prairie
Kingston, N. Y.—

First.....Ulster
Fair Street.....Kingston
Comforter.....Ulster
Kiskatom, Catskill, N. Y......Greene
Knor Mem'l, N. Y......New York
Knox, N. Y.—

First, Knox, N. Y......Albany
Second Berne.....Albany
Koster, St. Anne, Ill......Wisconsin
Kreischersville, St. Peter's.....N. Y.
Krumville.....Kingston
Krumville, Lyonsville....Kingston
Lafayette, Jersey City..South Bergen
Lafayette, Ind......Wisconsin
Lakeview, S. D......Dakota
Lamont, Mich......Grand River
Lansing, Ill......Wisconsin
Lawton, Okla, Vermilye..New York
Lawyersville, N. Y......Schoharie
Lawyersville, Sharon....Schoharie
Lebanon, N. J......Raritan
Leeds, N. Y......Greene
Leighton, Ia., Ebenezer.....Pella
Lennox, S. D.—

Delaware.....Germania
Second.....Germania
Leota, Minn, Bethel.....Iowa
Lestor, Iowa.....Iowa
Linden, N. J......Newark
Litchville, N. D......Dakota
Linlithgo, Livingston, N. Y...Hudson
Lisha's Kill, W. Albany, Schenectady
Little Falls, N. J.—

First.....Passaic
Second, Holland.....Passaic
Little Falls, N. Y., Manheim,
Montgomery
Little Rock, Ia., Salem....Germania
Livingston Mem'l, Germantown,
N. Y......Hudson
Locust Valley.....North Long Island
Lodi, N. J.—

First, Holland.....Paramus
Second.....Paramus
Lodi, N. Y......Montgomery

CHURCH.

CLASSIS.

Logan, Dell Rapids.....Germania
Long Branch, N. J......Monmouth

Long Island City, N. Y.—

First.....North Long Island
Steinway.....North Long Island
Sunnyside.....North Long Island
Lower Walpack, Bushkill....Orange
Lucas, Mich., Rehoboth..Grand River
Luctor, Prairie View, Kans....Iowa
Lynchburg, Bethel....Philadelphia
Lynden, Wash......Cascades
Lyonsville, Krumville, N. Y.,

Kingston
Madison Ave., Albany, N. Y...Albany
Madison Ave., N. Y. City...New York
Mahwah, N. J., Ramapo...Paramus
Mamakating, Wurtsboro....Orange
Manhasset, N. Y., North Hemp-
stead.....North Long Island
Manhattan, Mont......Cascades
Manheim, Little Falls..Montgomery
Manito, Ill......Illinois
Manor Chapel.....New York
Maple Lake, Minn., Silver Creek,

Iowa
Mapletown, N. Y......Montgomery
Marble Collegiate.....New York
Marbleton, Stone Ridge..Kingston
Marbletown, North.....Kingston
Marconnier, Oak Tree, N. J...Newark
Mariner's Harbor, S. I...New York

Marion, N. Y.—

First.....Rochester
Second.....Rochester
Marion, N. D......North Dakota
Marlboro, N. J., Freehold, First,
Monmouth

Matlock.....Iowa
Maurice, Iowa, First.....Iowa
Maurice, Iowa, American...Dakota
McKee, Ky......New York
Mellenville, N. Y......Hudson
Melrose, N. Y. City.....New York
Melvin, Ia., Baker.....Germania
Melvin.....Iowa
Mescalero, N. M......New York
Meservey, Iowa.....Pleasant Prairie
Metuchen, N. J......New Brunswick
Middleburgh, Free Grace, Orange
City, Ia......Iowa
Middleburg, N. Y......Schoharie
Middlebush, N. J......New Brunswick
Middle Collegiate.....New York
Middletown, N. J......Monmouth

CHURCH.

CLASSIS.

Millbrook, South Millbrook, N.

Y. Poughkeepsie

Mile Square, Yonkers..Westchester

Millstone, N. J., Hillsborough,

New Brunswick

Milwaukee, Wis. Wisconsin

Minaville, N. Y., Florida,

Montgomery

Minisink, Port Jervis, N. Y.Orange

Moddersville, Mich. . . .Grand River

Mohawk, N. Y.Montgomery

Monarch, Alberta, Canada.Cascades

Monroe, Aplington, Ia. . .Pl. Prairie

Monroe, S. D., First. . . .Germania

Monroe, Sandham Mem. . . .Dakota

Monsey, N. Y.—

West New Hempstead. . .Paramus

Saddle RiverParamus

Montague, N. Y., Minisink..Orange

Montana, First, Conrad. . .Cascades

Montclair Heights, Upper Mont-

clair Newark

Montgomery, N. Y.Orange

Montrose, N. Y., Cortlandtown,

Westchester

Montville, N. J.Passaic

Morrison, Ill., Ebenezer..Wisconsin

Mott Haven, N. Y. City..New York

Mountain Lakes, N. J. . . .Passaic

Mt. Greenwood, Ill.Wisconsin

Mt. Marion, N. Y., High Woods,

Ulster

Mt. Marion, N. Y., Plattckill. .Ulster

Mount Pleasant, Schenectady, N.

Y.Schenectady

Mount Ross, N. Y., Gallatin.Hudson

Mount Vernon, N. Y. . .Westchester

Muscatine, IowaPella

Muskegon, Mich.—

FirstGrand River

SecondMichigan

ThirdGrand River

Napanoch, Warwarsing, N. Y.,

Orange

Nassau, N. Y.Rensselaer

Naumburg, N. Y.Montgomery

Neshanic, N. J.Philadelphia

Netherwood, Plainfield . . .Newark

Newark, N. J.—All in Classis of

Newark.

First, Johnson Ave.

Christ, Belleville Ave.

Clinton Avenue.

New York Ave.

North, Broad St.

CHURCH.

CLASSIS.

Trinity, Ferry St.

West, Blum St.

Newark, N. Y., Arcadia..Rochester

New Baltimore, N. Y.Albany

New Brooklyn. . .South Long Island

New Brunswick, N. J.—

First, Nelson St. . . .N. Brunswick

Second, George St. . .N. Brunswick

Suydam St.N. Brunswick

Newburgh, N. Y.Orange

New Concord, Ghent. . .Rensselaer

New Durham (Grove Church),

Weehawken, N. J.Palisades

New Era, Mich.Grand River

New HackensackPoughkeepsie

New Hurley, Wallkill. . . .Orange

New Hyde Park.North Long Island

Newkirk, Hospers, Ia.Iowa

New Lots, Brooklyn. . .South L. I.

New Paltz, N. Y., Guilford.Kingston

New Paltz, N. Y.Kingston

New Prospect, Pine Bush, N. Y.,

Orange

New Salem, N. Y.—

First, VoorheesvilleAlbany

ClarksvilleAlbany

New Sharon, Ia.Pella

New Scotland, N. Y.Union..Albany

Newton, Erie, Ill.Wisconsin

Newtown, First, Elmhurst,

North Long Island

Newtown, German, Elmhurst, N.

Y.North Long Island

New Utrecht, Brooklyn, N. Y.,

South Long Island

New York Ave., Newark. . .Newark

New York City.—(All in Classis
of New York).

Anderson Men'l.

Avenue B, German Ev.

Bethany Mem'l, 400 E. 67th St.

Brighton Heights.

Church of the Comforter.

Clover Road Chapel, S. I.

Collegiate Middle, 2d Ave. and

7th St.

Collegiate Marble, 5th Ave. and

29th St.

Collegiate, St. Nicholas, 5th Ave.

and 48th St.

Collegiate, West End, West End

Ave. and 77th St.

Collegiate, Thirty-fourth St., near

8th Ave.

CHURCH.	CLASSIS.	CHURCH.	CLASSIS.
<i>Collegiate, Knox Mem'l Chapel,</i> West 41st and 9th Ave.		Oak Tree, N. J., <i>Marconnier,</i> Newark	
<i>Collegiate, Vermilye Chapel,</i> 54th St. and 10th Ave.		<i>Ocean Hill,</i> Brooklyn, N. Y., South Long Island	
<i>Collegiate, Fort Washington,</i> 181st St.		<i>Onesquethaw,</i> Feura Bush, N. Y., Albany	
<i>Collegiate, Sunshine Chapel,</i> 550 W. 40th St.		Ontario, N. Y.	Rochester
<i>Elmendorf Chapel,</i> E. 123d St.		Oostburg, Wis.	Wisconsin
<i>Fordham Manor.</i>		Oradell, N. J.	Bergen
<i>Fourth Ger.,</i> 410 W. 45th St.		<i>Orange,</i> East Orange, N. J. ...	Newark
<i>Sixty-eighth St., German.</i>		<i>Orangeburg, Grace</i>	Philadelphia
<i>German Ev.,</i> 78 Second St.		<i>Orange City,</i> Iowa—	
<i>Grace,</i> Seventh Ave. and 45th St.		<i>First</i>	Iowa
<i>Harlem,</i> Lenox Ave.		<i>American</i>	Dakota
<i>Hamilton Grange,</i> W. 150th St.		<i>Free Grace</i>	Iowa
<i>High Bridge, Union,</i> Woodycrest Ave.		Oregon, Ill., <i>Ebenezer</i>	Pl. Prairie
<i>Huguenot Park,</i> Staten Island.		Oscalosa, Ia.	Pella
<i>Madison Ave.,</i> c. 57th St.		<i>Ottawa,</i> Zeeland	Holland
<i>Manor,</i> W. 26th St.		Otley, Iowa	Pella
<i>Mariner's Harbor,</i> Staten Island.		Owasco, N. Y.	Montgomery
<i>Melrose,</i> 748 Elton Ave.		<i>Owasco Outlet,</i> Auburn, N. Y., Montgomery	
<i>Mott Haven,</i> 350 E. 146th St.		<i>Overisel,</i> Holland	Holland
<i>St. Peter's,</i> Kreischersville, S. I.		<i>Oyster Bay,</i> Glen Head, N. Y., North Long Island	
<i>South,</i> 1010 Park Ave.		Palmyra, N. Y.	Rochester
<i>Staten Island,</i> Port Richmond.		<i>Paramus,</i> Ridgewood, N. J. ...	Paramus
<i>West Farms,</i> 1003 E. 179th St.		<i>Parkersburg,</i> Ia. ...	Pleasant Prairie
<i>Zion, Ger. Evang.</i>		<i>Park, Jersey City</i> ...	South Bergen
Niskayuna, N. Y.	Schenectady	<i>Park Hill,</i> Yonkers ...	Westchester
North and Southampton,		<i>Park Ridge, Pascack</i>	Paramus
Churchville, Pa.	Philadelphia	<i>Pascack, Park Ridge</i>	Paramus
North Bergen, Weehawken, N. J., Bergen		Passaic, N. J.—	
North Blendon, Hudsonville, Mich., Holland		<i>Acquackanonck</i>	Paramus
North Blenheim, N. Y. ...	Schoharie	<i>Holland, First</i>	Paramus
North Branch, N. J.	Raritan	<i>Fourth</i>	Paramus
North Hackensack, N. J. ...	Bergen	<i>Guttenberg</i>	Palisades
North Hempstead, Manhasset, N. Y.	North Long Island	<i>North</i>	Paramus
North Holland, Holland ...	Holland	Paterson, N. J.—	
North Marion, Ypsilanti, N. D., Dakota		<i>Broadway</i>	Paramus
North Newark, N. J.	Newark	<i>First, Holland</i>	Paramus
North Paterson, N. J. ...	Paramus	<i>Second</i>	Paramus
North Sibley, Sibley	Germania	<i>Sixth, Holland</i>	Passaic
Northumberland, Schuylerville, N. Y.	Saratoga	<i>People's Park</i>	Passaic
North Western, Chicago	Illinois	<i>Preakness</i>	Passaic
North Yakima, Wash.	Cascades	<i>Riverside</i>	Passaic
Nutley, N. J., <i>Franklin</i> ...	Newark	<i>First, Totowa</i>	Passaic
Nyack, N. Y.	Paramus	<i>Union</i>	Passaic
Oak Harbor, Wash.	Cascades	Pattersonville, N. Y., <i>Rotterdam,</i> <i>First</i>	Schenectady
Oakland, N. J., <i>Ponds</i>	Passaic	Peapack, N. J.	Raritan
		Peekskill, N. Y.—	
		<i>Van Nest</i>	Westchester
		<i>Hungarian</i>	Westchester
		Pekin, Ill., <i>Second</i> ...	Pleasant Prairie
		<i>Pella,</i> Adams, Neb.	Iowa

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Pella, Iowa—

First Pella*Second* Pella*Third* Pella*Bethel* Pella

Pennsylvania Lane Illinois

People's Park, Paterson....Passaic

Peoria, Ill. Pleasant Prairie

Perth Amboy, N. J. New Brunswick

Philadelphia—(All in Classis of Philadelphia).

First, 2225 N. Camac St.*Second*, Seventh St.*Fourth*, Peachin St., Manayunk.*Fifth*, East Susquehanna Ave.*Talmage Memorial* Roxboro

Philmont, N. Y. Hudson

Piermont, N. Y. Paramus

Pine Bush, *New Prospect*....OrangePipestone, Minn., *Churchville*..Iowa

Plainfield, N. J.—

German Newark*Netherwood* Newark*Trinity* Newark

Plainfield, Mich. Grand River

Platte, *Charles Mix*.....Dakota*Plattekill*, Mt. Marion, N. Y. Ulster

Pompton Plains, N. J. Passaic

Ponds, Oakland, N. J. Passaic*Pompton*, Pompton Lakes....Passaic

Portage, Mich. Grand River

Port Ewen, N. Y. Ulster

Port Jervis, N. Y.—

Deerpark Orange*Minisink* Orange*West End* OrangePort Richmond, *Staten Island*,

New York

Pottersville, N. J. Raritan

Poughkeepsie, N. Y.—

Arlington Poughkeepsie*Emmanuel* Poughkeepsie*First* Poughkeepsie

Prairie City, Ia. Pella

Prairie View, Kans. *Luctor*....Iowa

Prairie View, Kansas Iowa

Prattville, N. Y. Schoharie

Preakness, Paterson, N. J. PassaicPreston, Minn., *Greenleafton*,

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Princetown, Dunanesburg, N. Y.,

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Pultneyville, N. Y. Rochester

Queens, N. Y. North Long Island

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Randolph Center, Cambria, Wis.,

Wisconsin

Randolph Wisconsin

Ramapo, Mahwah, N. J. Paramus*Ramsay*, Tiltonka. Pleasant PrairieRaritan, N. J., *Third*.....Raritan*Raritan, First*, Somerville. Raritan*Raritan Second*, Somerville. Raritan*Raritan, Fourth*, Somerville. Raritan

Raritan, Illinois Illinois

Readington, N. J. Raritan

Red Bank, N. J. Monmouth

Rehoboth, Lucas, Mich. Grand River

Rensselaer, N. Y. Rensselaer

Reynolds, *Schaghticoke*....SaratogaRexfords, N. Y., *Amity*. Schenectady

Rhinebeck, N. Y. Poughkeepsie

Richboro, *Addisville*....PhiladelphiaRidgefield, N. J., *English Neigh-**borhood* Bergen*Ridgewood*, Brooklyn....South L. I.

Ridgewood, N. J.—

First Paramus*Paramus* Paramus*Glen Rock* Paramus*Spring Valley* Bergen*Trinity*, Wortendyke Paramus*Upper Community* ParamusRifton, *Dashville Falls*....KingstonRingle, Wis., *Forrestville*. Wisconsin*Riverside*, Paterson, N. J. Passaic*Rochester*, Accord, N. Y. Kingston

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First Rochester*Second* Rochester*Brighton* Rochester

Rochelle Park, N. J. Bergen

Rockaway, Whitehouse Raritan

Rock Rapids, Iowa. Iowa

Rock Valley, Iowa, *First*.....IowaRock Valley, Iowa, *Carmel*....Iowa

Rocky Hill, N. J. New Brunswick

Rosendale, N. Y. Kingston

Rosendale Plains, Tillson. Kingston*Roseland*, Svea, Minn. Iowa*Roseland, First*, Chicago. Wisconsin*Roseland, Second*, Chicago....Illinois*Rotterdam*, Cawker City, Kans. Iowa*Rotterdam, First*, Pattersonville,

N. Y. Schenectady

Rotterdam, Second, Schenectady,

N. Y. Schenectady

Roxbury, N. Y., *Jay Gould Me-**memorial* Ulster*Saddle River*, Monsey....Paramus

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St. Anne, Ill., <i>Wichert</i> ...	Wisconsin	Shokan, N. Y., <i>First</i>	Ulster
<i>St. John's German Evan.</i> , Jersey		Shokan, <i>Shandaken</i> , N. Y....	Ulster
City, N. J.....	South Bergen	Sibley, Iowa	Iowa
St. Johnsville, N. Y....	Montgomery	Sibley, Ia.	Germania
<i>St. Nicholas Collegiate</i> , New		<i>North Sibley</i>	Germania
York City.....	New York	<i>Silver Creek</i> , German Valley, Ill.,	
St. Remy, N. Y.....	Kingston	Pleasant Prairie	
St. Thomas, D. W. I..	South L. I.	<i>Silver Creek</i> , Maple Lake, Minn.,	
<i>Salem</i> , Little Rock, Ia....	Germania	Iowa	
Sanborn, Iowa	Iowa	Sioux City, Iowa	Iowa
<i>Sandham Mem.</i> , Monroe	Dakota	Sioux Center, Iowa—	
<i>Sandstone</i> , Minn.—		<i>First</i>	Iowa
<i>First</i>	Iowa	<i>Central</i>	Iowa
<i>Friesland</i>	Iowa	Sioux Falls, S. D.	Dakota
<i>Saratoga</i> , Schuylerville....	Saratoga	<i>Six-Mile Run</i> , Franklin Park, N.	
<i>Saugerties</i> , N. Y.—		J.	New Brunswick
<i>First</i>	Ulster	<i>Sixty-eighth Street</i> , N. Y., New York	
<i>Flatbush</i>	Ulster	Sodus	Rochester
<i>Blue Mountain</i>	Ulster		
<i>Katsbaan</i>	Ulster	Somerville, N. J.—	
<i>Sayville</i> , W. Sayville....	North L. I.	<i>Raritan, First</i>	Raritan
Scarsdale, N. Y., <i>First</i> ...	Westchester	<i>Raritan, Second</i>	Raritan
Scarsdale, <i>Greenville</i> ..	Westchester	<i>Raritan, Fourth</i>	Raritan
Schaghticoke, N. Y.....	Saratoga	South Barnard.....	Grand River
Schenectady, N. Y.—(All in Classis		<i>South Blendon</i> , Hudsonville..	Holland
of Schenectady).		South Bound Brook, <i>Bound Brook</i> ,	
<i>First</i> .		New Brunswick	
<i>Second</i> .		South Branch, N. J.....	Raritan
<i>Rotterdam, Second</i> .		<i>South</i> , Brooklyn, N. Y..	South L. I.
<i>Mont Pleasant</i> .		<i>South Bushwick</i> , Brooklyn, N. Y.,	
<i>Bellevue</i> .		North Long Island	
<i>Woodlawn</i> .		South Gilboa, N. Y.....	Schoharie
Schodack	Rensselaer	South Haven, Mich.	Grand River
Schodack Landing, N. Y.	Rensselaer	South Holland, Ill.	Wisconsin
Schoharie, N. Y.....	Schoharie	South Millbrook, N. Y., <i>Millbrook</i> ,	
<i>Schraalenburg</i> , Dumont....	Bergen	Poughkeepsie	
Schuylerville, N. Y., <i>Northumber-</i>		<i>South</i> , New York City....	New York
<i>land</i>	Saratoga	Spotswood, N. J....	New Brunswick
Schuylerville, <i>Saratoga</i> ...	Saratoga	Sprakers, N. Y.....	Montgomery
Scotia, N. Y.....	Schenectady	<i>Spring Creek</i> , Gary, Minn....	Iowa
Scotland, S. D.....	Germania	Springfield, S. D.....	Dakota
Secaucus, N. J.....	Palisades	Spring Lake, Ill.	Illinois
<i>Second River</i> , Belleville, N. J.		Spring Lake, Mich.	Grand River
Newark		Spring Valley, N. Y.....	Paramus
Selkirk, <i>Bethlehem, First</i> ...	Albany	<i>Spring Valley</i> , Ridgewood....	Bergen
<i>Shandaken</i> , Shokan, N. Y....	Ulster	<i>Spring Valley (Ustick)</i> ,	
<i>Sharon</i> , Lawyerville, N. Y.,		Fulton, Ill., Wisconsin	
Schoharie		Stanton, N. J.....	Philadelphia
<i>Shawangunk</i> , Wallkill, N. Y.	Orange	<i>Staten Island</i> , Port Richmond,	
Sheboygan, Wis., <i>Hope</i> ...	Wisconsin	S. I.....	New York
Sheboygan Falls, Wis.—		Steen, Minn.	Iowa
<i>First</i>	Wisconsin	<i>Steinway</i>	North L. I.
<i>Gibbsville</i>	Wisconsin	Stickney, <i>Aurora</i> , S. D....	Dakota
Sheldon, Ia.	Iowa	<i>Stone Arabia</i> , Fort Plain, N. Y.,	
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Stout, Ia.	Pleasant Prairie	Upper Red Hook	Poughkeepsie
Stuyvesant, N. Y.	Rensselaer	<i>Upper Walpack</i> , Dingman's Ferry, Pa.	Orange
Stuyvesant Falls, N. Y.	Rensselaer	Utica, N. Y., <i>Christ</i>	Montgomery
Sully, Iowa, <i>Bethany</i>	Pella	Valley Springs, S. D.	Iowa
Sully, Iowa, <i>First</i>	Pella	Valley Stream, N. Y.	North L. I.
Summit, Ill.	Wisconsin	Van Vorst, Jersey City	S. Bergen
<i>Sunshine Chapel Collegiate</i> , New York		<i>Vermilye Chapel</i>	New York
<i>Sunnyside</i> , L. I. City	North L. I.	Vischer's Ferry, N. Y., <i>Amity</i> , Schenectady	
<i>Suydam Street</i> , New Brunswick,		Volga, S. D.	Iowa
N. J.	New Brunswick	Voorheesville, <i>New Salem</i>	Albany
Svea, Minn., <i>Roseland</i>	Iowa	Vriesland, Mich.	Holland
Syracuse, N. Y.—		Walden, N. Y.	Orange
<i>First</i>	Montgomery	Waldwick, N. J.	Paramus
<i>Second</i>	Montgomery	<i>Walkill</i> , Grahamsville	Orange
Taintor, Ia., <i>Bethlehem</i>	Pella	Wallkill, N. Y.—	
<i>Talmage Mem'l</i> , Philadelphia, Philadelphia		<i>New Hurley</i>	Orange
Tappan, N. Y.	Paramus	<i>Shawangunk</i>	Orange
Tarrytown, N. Y.—		<i>Walpack, Upper</i> , Dingman's Fer- ry, Pa.	Orange
<i>First</i>	Westchester	<i>Walpack, Lower</i> , Bushkill	Orange
<i>Second</i>	Westchester	Wanaque, N. J.	Passaic
Tillson, N. Y., <i>Rosendale Plains</i> , Kingston		Warwick, N. Y.	Paramus
Timmons ville, <i>Zion</i>	Philadelphia	Warwarsing, Napanoch	Orange
Titonka, Ia., <i>Ramsay</i>	Pl. Prairie	<i>Washington</i> , Ackley, Ia.	Pl. Prairie
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Bay, N. Y.	Montgomery	Waupun, Wis., <i>First</i>	Wisconsin
Three Bridges, N. J.	Philadelphia	Wellsburg, Iowa	Pleasant Prairie
Three Oaks, Mich.	Holland	Weehawken, N. J.—	
Tompkinsville, S. I., <i>Brighton</i> <i>Heights</i>	New York	<i>North Bergen</i>	Palisades
<i>Totowa, First</i> , Paterson	Passaic	<i>Grove Ch., New Durham</i>	Palisades
<i>Totowa, Second</i> , Paterson	Paramus	<i>Trinity, West New York</i>	Palisades
Troy, N. Y., <i>Bloomington</i> , Rensselaer		<i>Woodcliff</i>	Palisades
<i>Twelfth Street</i> , Brooklyn	South L. I.	West Albany, N. Y., <i>Lisha's Kill</i> , Schenectady	
Twin Brooks, S. D.	Iowa	West Copake, N. Y.	Hudson
Twin Lakes, Kalamazoo	Gr. River	West Coxsackie, N. Y., <i>Coxsackie</i> , <i>First</i>	Greene
Tyndall, Avon, S. D.	Dakota	<i>West End</i> , Port Jervis, N. J.	Orange
<i>Tyre</i> , Waterloo, N. Y.	Rochester	Westerlo, N. Y.	Albany
Ulster Park, N. Y., <i>Esopus</i>	Ulster	<i>West Farms</i> , N. Y. City	New York
<i>Union (Holland)</i> , Paterson	Passaic	Westfield, N. D.	Dakota
<i>Union, High Bridge</i>	New York	West Hoboken, N. J., <i>First</i>	Palisades
<i>Union</i> , Delmar, N. Y.	Albany	<i>West Hurley</i> , Woodstock	Ulster
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<i>West Troy, North, Watervliet,</i> N. Y.	Saratoga	Wortendyke, N. J.—	
<i>West Side, Chicago</i>	Wisconsin	<i>First, Holland</i>	Paramus
<i>West Side, Hungarian</i>	Illinois	<i>Trinity</i>	Paramus
<i>Westwood, N. J.</i>	Bergen	Worthing, S. D.	Pleasant Prairie
<i>Whitehouse, Rockaway</i>	Raritan	Wurtsboro, <i>Mamakating</i> . . .	Orange
<i>Wichert, St. Anne, Ill.</i>	Wisconsin	Wyckoff, N. J.	Passaic
<i>Wichita, Kans.</i>	Iowa	Wynantskill, N. Y.	Saratoga
<i>Williamsburg, Brooklyn</i> .North L. I.		Yonkers, N. Y.—	
<i>Williamson, N. Y., First</i> .Rochester		<i>Crescent Place</i>	Westchester
<i>Windsor Terrace, Brooklyn, N.</i> Y.	South Long Island	<i>First</i>	Westchester
<i>Winfield, L. I., N. Y.</i>	North L. I.	<i>Mile Square</i>	Westchester
<i>Winnebago, Neb.</i>	New York	<i>Park Hill</i>	Westchester
<i>Woodbourne, Fallsburg</i>	Orange	Zeeland, Mich.—	
<i>Woodcliff, Weehawken</i> . . .	Palisades	<i>First</i>	Holland
<i>Woodlawn, Brooklyn</i>	South L. I.	<i>Second</i>	Holland
<i>Woodlawn, Schenectady</i> .Schenectady		<i>Beaverdam</i>	Holland
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FORTY-EIGHTH
ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE
STANDING COMMITTEE

ON THE
Seminary Grounds and Property

AT
NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J.



PRESS OF J. HEIDINGSFELD Co., 42 ALBANY ST.
NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J.
1917.

REPORT

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America:

The General Synod's Standing Committee on Seminary Grounds and Property in New Brunswick, N. J., respectfully presents its

FORTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT.

Organization and Membership.

The Committee consists of Samuel Rowland, E. Covert Hulst, W. E. Florance, Peter Cortelyou, W. L. Brower, and the members of the Faculty. Professor Searle has been President of the Committee and Mr. Florance its Secretary and Treasurer. Professor Berg, Messrs. Cortelyou and Florance have constituted the sub-committees on Grounds and Property; Drs. Raven and Johnson that on Relation of Students to Hertzog Hall; Messrs. Hulst, Schenck, and Rowland that on Hertzog Hall and its furnishings; Mr. Rowland, Mr. Hulst, and Dr. Raven that on Library and Museum; Mr. Brower and Mr. Florance that on Heating and Lighting; and the Treasurer and the President, that on Finance.

Peter Hertzog Hall.

A few of the rooms of the students have been painted. Linoleum has been laid on the corridor of the first floor. For its sanitary value and greater quiet it is planned to place it in the remaining corridors.

The funds, the income of which belongs to this building, are insufficient to meet the fixed charges for its care, its lighting, and in these days of increased coal bills, its heating. The gifts of the churches for the current expenses of the Seminary have again proved indispensable in connection with Hertzog Hall.

The Superintendent completes his eighteenth year of continuous service.

Gardner A. Sage Library.

760 volumes have been added to the Library, as well as 19 pamphlets. 205 volumes were purchased and 151 given, and 404 came from the bindery. There are now in the Library 53,439 books, and 8,951 pamphlets.

The donations have been of notable value. Miss E. B. Vermilye made a large gift from the library of her father, Rev. Dr. A. G. Vermilye. Professor Berg has given 31 volumes of the *Journal of the American Oriental Society*, and 21 volumes of the *Zeitschrift für die Alttestamentliche Wissenschaft*. Miss Gertrude W. Fowler of Peekskill, has given, in memory of her father, four handsome and beautifully illustrated folio volumes of Roberts' *Holy Land and Egypt*. Mrs. E. B. Coe has presented, from the library of Dr. Coe, a rare Catullus. It is an Aldine edition with the Venice imprint 1515. It once belonged to Melancthon and has his annotations on fly leaves

and margins. Through Rev. Dr. H. E. Cobb, the Library has been enriched by a valuable collection of autographs of celebrated English divines of the Victorian Period. Dr. Wortman has given many autographs of the Civil War and Reconstruction Periods. Mrs. Kenneth G. White has given a large engraving of Turner's "Heidelberg." The New York Board of Charities has given 43 volumes of its reports.

There has been an increase in the number of books taken by the students for use in their rooms.

The Committee are still hopefully awaiting the report to General Synod by the Board of Directors on a possible method of securing the much needed addition to the Library which your body asked for at the suggestion of the Board of Superintendents two years ago.

The Museum.

Dr. Gillespie has given his interested and valuable services as Curator of the Museum and continues to deserve the gratitude of the Seminary and of the Church.

The Museum has been open to the public two hours each week. Sometimes there are no visitors; sometimes their number reaches thirty. The total for the year is about 125.

Miss Mary O. Anable has given a Siamese manuscript, and Miss Catherine Green many Chinese idols and models. Gifts have also been received from Rev. Frank Eckerson, Rev. N. H. Demarest, Mr. Howard Kanter and Professor Searle.

A number of handsomely dressed Indian dolls have been purchased to illustrate the life in our Winnebago Mission.

James Suydam Hall.

The north and east walls on the outside of this building have been repointed.

Grounds and Property.

Electric lighting has been installed throughout the house occupied by Professor Johnson. Only minor repairs have been made beyond this in the houses.

The Board of Direction has purchased two plots of land abutting on the north line of the campus, thus securing convenient sites for the three, or possibly four, houses, which in the course of the years are likely to be required. The wisdom of the Board in meeting an impending need, in providing for other needs which are approaching, and in protecting the property already owned by General Synod from possible serious impairment in its usefulness and value by making this purchase at a most opportune time, is commended unanimously by this Committee and by the best expert opinion of the community.

Request for the Enlargement of the Committee.

This Committee was for many years composed of five laymen and one representative of the Faculty. Its functions included, by mutual agreement with the Faculty, the oversight of conduct, so far as Hertzog Hall and its good name were concerned, of the College students residing in the building, the Faculty having exclusive jurisdiction over

Seminary students. Difficulty having arisen at times in discerning closely the line established by this agreement, the General Synod, twenty years ago, added all the members of the Faculty to the Committee. The result has been completely harmonious action through the years and greatly improved conditions both as to good order and the equitable distribution of expenditures. The Faculty members have managed problems of discipline. The lay members, with multiplied sources of needed information, have had the cordial support of the Faculty members in every decision reached by them on financial questions.

A sixth professor is about to be added to the Faculty. As this Committee is primarily a business body, the members of the Faculty themselves feel that their representation in it should not exceed the lay representation. We therefore respectfully ask that the number of laymen in the Committee be increased by one, that the term of office of the lay members be either increased to six years, or that they be divided into three classes of two each, each class serving three years. We also respectfully suggest the name of Mr. Mason R. Strong as the additional member of the Committee.

Conclusion.

The report of the Treasurer is appended. The term of Mr. Samuel Rowland will expire at the meeting of your Reverend Body, and this vacancy must be filled by you.

The Committee wishes to put on record its profound regret at the impending withdrawal of Professor Berg from its membership. His faithfulness and efficiency have aided greatly in our work.

Respectfully submitted for the Committee,

J. P. SEARLE,
President.

New Brunswick, N. J., May 15, 1917.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

W. E. Florance, Treasurer of the Standing Committee on Seminary Grounds and Property, in account with the several funds provided for the support of the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick, N. J.

1.—HERTZOG HALL MAINTENANCE.**RECEIPTS.**

Balance May 1st, 1916	\$307 95
Frank R. Van Nest, Treasurer	1,158 22
Board of Education	1,240 00
Room Rent	352 65
Miscellaneous	1 60

\$3,060 42

PAYMENTS.

J. A. Schwenger, Superintendent	\$503 04
Dennis Murray, Janitor	196 68
Fuel	1,258 80
Light	756 62
Miscellaneous	341 18
Balance April 30th, 1917	4 10

\$3,060 42

2.—HERTZOG HALL REPAIRS.**RECEIPTS.**

Balance May 1st, 1916	\$10 65
Frank R. Van Nest, Treasurer	463 29

\$473 94

PAYMENTS.

Mechanics	\$433 34
Balance April 30, 1917	40 60

\$473 94

3.—SUYDAM HALL MAINTENANCE.**RECEIPTS.**

Balance May 1st, 1916	\$287 37
Frank R. Van Nest, Treasurer	926 57

\$1,213 94

PAYMENTS.

J. A. Schwenger	\$193 44
Dennis Murray	196 68
Fuel	347 30
Water	19 00
Gas	13 59
Repairs and Miscellaneous	220 46
Balance April 30th, 1917	223 47

\$1,213 94

4.—BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1st, 1916	\$804 24
Frank R. Van Nest, Treasurer	926 57

 \$1,730 81

PAYMENTS.

J. A. Schwenger	\$293 52
Dennis Murray	196 56
Louis DeLello	600 00
Light	51 96
Labor and Miscellaneous	360 92
Balance April 30th, 1917.....	227 85

 \$1,730 81

5.—PROFESSORIAL DWELLINGS.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1st, 1916	\$160 96
Frank R. Van Nest, Treasurer	515 88

 \$676 84

PAYMENTS.

Repairs	\$334 57
Balance April 30th, 1917	342 27

 \$676 84

6.—PROPERTY FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1st, 1916	\$1,402 02
Frank R. Van Nest, Treasurer	673 43

 \$2,075 45

PAYMENTS.

Repairs to buildings	\$472 13
Balance April 30th, 1917	1,603 32

 \$2,075 45

7.—SPECIAL FUND FOR EXPENSES.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1st, 1916	\$1,298 77
Frank R. Van Nest, Treasurer	1,062 02

 \$2,360 79

PAYMENTS.

Repairs to buildings	\$54 66
Balance April 30th, 1917	2,306 13

 \$2,360 79

8.—SAGE LIBRARY MAINTENANCE.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1st, 1916	\$93 36
Frank R. Van Nest, Treasurer	1,622 20
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	\$1,715 56

PAYMENTS.

John C. Van Dyke, Librarian	\$1,600 00
Light	22 20
Balance April 30th, 1917	93 36
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	\$1,715 56

9.—PURCHASE OF BOOKS.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1st, 1916	\$83 73
Frank R. Van Nest, Treasurer	926 57
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	\$1,010 30

PAYMENTS.

For purchase of books and periodicals	\$956 39
Balance April 30th, 1917	53 91
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	\$1,010 30

10.—ALCOVE ENDOWMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1st, 1916	\$1,411 21
Frank R. Van Nest, Treasurer	797 50
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	\$2,208 71

PAYMENTS.

Assistant Librarian	\$500 00
Janitor	60 00
Fuel	182 40
Light	24 40
Repairs etc	164 05
Water	19 00
Balance April 30th, 1917	1,258 86
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	\$2,208 71

11.—MUSEUM.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1st, 1916	\$134 07
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PAYMENTS.

Miscellaneous	\$52 50
Care of Museum	16 50
Balance April 30th, 1917	65 07
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	\$134 07

12.—INTEREST AND MISCELLANEOUS.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1st, 1916	\$722 00
Rebate Liability Insurance	1 31
Interest on Bank Deposits	328 31
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	\$1,051 62

PAYMENTS.

Printing, Liability insurance and miscellaneous	\$217 19
Balance April 30th, 1917	834 43
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	\$1,051 62

SEMINARY GROUNDS

13.—VEDDER FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1, 1916	\$648 18
Frank R. Van Nest, Treasurer	231 64
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	\$879 82

PAYMENTS.

Purchase Books, etc.	88 28
Balance April 30th, 1917	791 54
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	\$879 82

14.—ANN HERTZOG MEMORIAL FUND FOR HERTZOG HALL

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1st, 1916	\$3 28
Frank R. Van Nest, Treasurer	1,000 00
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	\$1,003 28

PAYMENTS.

Repairs and Miscellaneous	\$722 69
Balance on hand May 1st, 1917	280 59
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	\$1,003 28

15.—LEGACY ANNA H. CARVER.

(MEMORIAL ANN HERTZOG) FOR LIBRARY.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1st, 1916	\$776 86
Frank R. Van Nest, Treasurer	2,323 10
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	\$3,099 96

PAYMENTS.

Miscellaneous etc.	\$146 07
Balance on hand May 1st, 1917	2,953 89
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	\$3,099 96

	Balances May 1, '16	Receipts	Totals	Payments	Balances Ap. 30, '17
Hertzog Hall Maintenance..	\$307.95	\$2,752.47	\$3,060.42	\$3,056.32	\$4.10
Hertzog Hall Repairs.....	10.65	463.29	473.94	433.34	40.60
Suydam Hall Maintenance..	287.37	926.57	1,213.94	990.47	223.47
Buildings and Grounds.....	804.24	926.57	1,730.81	1,502.96	227.85
Professorial Dwellings.....	160.96	515.88	676.84	334.57	342.27
Property	1,402.02	673.43	2,075.45	472.13	1,603.32
Special Fund	1,298.77	1,062.02	2,360.79	54.66	2,306.13
Sage Library Maintenance..	93.36	1,622.20	1,715.56	1,622.20	93.36
Purchase of Books.....	83.73	926.57	1,010.30	956.39	53.91
Alcove Endowment	1,411.21	797.50	2,208.71	949.85	1,258.86
Museum	134.07	.....	134.07	69.00	65.07
Interest and Miscellaneous..	722.00	329.62	1,051.62	217.19	834.43
Vedder Fund	648.18	231.64	879.82	88.28	791.54
Ann Hertzog Memorial Fund for Hertzog Hall	3.28	1,000.00	1,003.28	722.69	280.59
Legacy Anna H. Carver (Memorial Ann Hertzog) for Library	776.86	2,323.10	3,099.96	146.07	2,953.89
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	\$8,144.65	\$14,550.86	\$22,695.51	\$11,616.12	\$11,079.39

W. E. FLORANCE, Treasurer.

May 15, 1917.—Examined vouchers, footings and balances, which agree with pass books and statements of the Banks, and all found correct.

SAMUEL ROWLAND,
E. COVERT HULST.

Eighty-Fifth Annual Report of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in America

The Sixtieth Year of Separate Action

Organized, 1832

Independent, 1857

Incorporated, 1860

MISSIONS

Amoy, China, 1842

Arcot, India, 1853

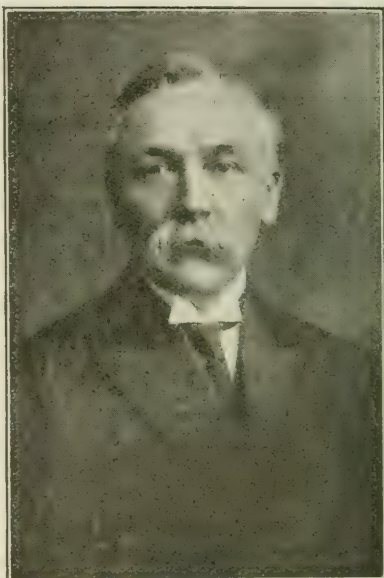
North Japan, 1859

South Japan, 1859

Arabia, 1894



Presented to the General Synod at
Asbury Park, N. J., June, 1917



REV. JOHN GERARDUS FAGG, D.D.

February 21, 1860 — May 3, 1917

Missionary in China, 1887—1894

Member of Board of Foreign Missions since 1898

President of the Board and of the Trustees of Arabian Mission since 1910

ANNUAL REPORT, 1917

The Board of Foreign Missions respectfully presents to General Synod its Eighty-fifth Annual Report, the Sixtieth of its separate and independent action.

At the outset of our Report we desire to present, in portrait, the strong and genial face, and, in the form of a Minute, our appreciation of the life and service of our late beloved President, Dr. John G. Fagg, who passed from this world's activities to a higher service just as the year of the Board and the Church came to its close.

MINUTE OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

ON THE DEATH OF REV. JOHN G. FAGG, D.D.

The Rev. John Gerardus Fagg, D.D., late President of the Board of Foreign Missions, passed away in New York on May 3rd, 1917. The Board desires to place on record its deep sense of the loss it has sustained in his departure—a loss common to it and the Arabian Mission, as well as to the entire Reformed Church.

Dr. Fagg first came into relations with the Board as a missionary of our Church in Amoy, China, from 1887 to 1894. He served with great diligence and zeal in that Mission in preparation for, and in entrance upon, the work of a missionary. He gave promise of being a most useful and active member of that Mission; but owing to circumstances entirely beyond his own and the Board's control he found it necessary to return to this country in 1894. Soon afterwards he became Pastor of the Church at New Paltz, N. Y. In 1896 he was invited to New York by the Consistory of the Collegiate Reformed Church, his field of service to be the Middle Dutch Church, so long ministered to by the Rev. Talbot W. Chambers, D.D., a former President of this Board.

Elected a member of the Board in 1898, he served for twenty consecutive years, becoming the President of the Board and of the Trustees of the Arabian Mission in 1910, on the decease of the Rev. Mancius H. Hutton, D.D., his immediate predecessor. During these years he has discharged his

duties as a member of the Board and its President with great faithfulness and deep interest in all the affairs of the Board and of its missionaries. A perusal of the Minutes of the Board will show that no member has excelled, if any one has equalled, him in the regularity of his attendance, while the interest manifested by him in all the work of the Board and of the Trustees has been constant.

His relations with the other officers of the Board were close, confidential and helpful and their indebtedness to him is large. His courtesy to his fellow members was unfailing.

Dr. Fagg's relations to each one of the Missions of the Board were definite and personal and he was a distinct personality to the many members of these Missions. Had he visited them in their fields, as he had been invited to do, his welcome would have been sincere and cordial, not only because of his office, but because of his place in the regard and affection of those who looked upon him, both as counsellor and friend.

The breadth of Dr. Fagg's interests; the swiftness of his response to every high and noble appeal; the utter unselfishness of his service; the loftiness of his ministerial ideals; the depth and sincerity of his spiritual motives; the transparent beauty of his character; these qualities and characteristics of a true minister of God's word and of a noble Christian man won for him the respectful regard and the genuine affection of all who were brought into association with him.

We cannot but rejoice that, having enjoyed a life of comparatively unbroken health and continued vigor of body and mind, he was called home after so brief an illness, and for ourselves we shall long look back with gratitude and tender regard on the period of intercourse and common service we have passed together and with pain that we shall here see his face no more.

In further expression of the feelings and sympathy of the Board it is hereby resolved that this Minute be entered on its records, that a copy be sent to Mrs. Fagg, to whom the Board extends the assurance of its deep and tender sympathy, to the Consistory of the Collegiate Church and to the Middle Dutch Church in particular, as also to the Church periodicals.

It is also resolved that the Board attend in a body the funeral service to be held in his own Church in New York on Monday, May 7, and that the Senior Missionaries of their respective Missions at home on furlough be designated to represent their Missions on this occasion.

We realize how inadequate the medium of expression is to set forth the inner thoughts of the mind and the deeper feelings of the heart. So attractive and penetrating was the personality of our late President and so wide and strong were his contacts with the work over which we were set together as stewards that each member and officer of the Board had his own peculiar relations with the President and each one of us has his own peculiar sense of loneliness and of loss now that he has gone from our personal and our official fellowship. It will be many days and many years before his erect and familiar form passes from our vision and his inspiring and earnest words from our memories. More especially will this be so with those of us whose task lies in the office. The one who pens these paragraphs began his fellowship in the classroom in Seminary days. Our public farewell we shared as we turned our faces together toward the East, in the "Second Dutch Church" of New Brunswick on an evening in late October of 1887. We sailed together over the Atlantic, the Mediterranean and the Indian Oceans. After visiting the Mission in India he then passed on to his chosen field in China while his companion remained in the land of his birth. The years passed by and we did not meet again until by the strange and unexpected developments of time and of Providence our paths crossed again in our official relationship to the administration of the Foreign Missionary enterprise of our Reformed Church. Here we have thought and wrought together in closest fellowship during these seven years. Rich and strong has been this companionship and it abideth forever.

THE MISSION FIELDS

AND

THE BOARD'S DEPUTATION OF 1915-1916.

The Deputation of the Board, whose visit to the Mission Fields of our Church was in progress during the previous year, completed its journey and returned to America in the year under present review. While the journeyings of the Deputation of 1915-1916 will probably be chronicled and its observations set forth in fuller form by one of its members, it will be appropriate and needful to state in this report, briefly though it be, the outlines of its undertakings and accomplishments.

The members of the Deputation were the Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Wm. Bancroft Hill, Mrs. W. I. Chamberlain and the Foreign Secretary of the Board. The Ladies, as Honorary Vice Presidents of our Woman's Board, were officially commissioned to represent that Board, while Dr. Hill, a member of the Executive Committee and Chairman of the Sub-committee on Japan, and the Foreign Secretary represented Synod's Board. In increasingly delightful and intimate fellowship these ambassadors of our Boards and of our Church journeyed together over land and sea, through pathways made smooth and plain by many ministries of love and by a wise and overruling Providence, free from accident or serious illness. Commencing our journey in September, 1915, and sailing from San Francisco and from the territory of the United States in mid-Pacific, the Hawaiian Islands, in October of 1915, we returned to our shores in July of 1916.

During these journeyings extending over ten months we traveled approximately 50,000 miles; 25,000 on the seas, 20,000 on land by rail and 5,000 by land-vehicles of many varieties and degrees of comfort.

The Deputation set before itself this threefold object:

1. To carry to each Mission a message of the assurance of sympathy from the Boards and from the Reformed Church.

2. To study conditions and methods in the Missions so as to make the future administration of the home agencies most sympathetic and effective.

3. To bring back to the Home Church such messages as would lead to better understanding of the conditions on the field and inspire to greater service.

In anticipation of this Deputation and with a view to fulfilling its requirements previous correspondence had led to careful preparation in each field so that, when we arrived, we were confronted with detailed itineraries, providing for each hour of the day and often far into the night. During our sojourn in the four Asiatic lands where our Missions are established we spent in the territory of each the following periods: North Japan, 25 days; South Japan, 18 days; Amoy, 30 days; Arcot, 30 days; Arabia, 31 days.

Owing to the circumstance of war's alarms and delays the visit to the Arabian Mission was made by the Foreign Secretary alone. Our travels included visits to every one of the 30 Stations of our Missions, in which missionaries reside, and to a very considerable number of the 300 out-stations, where work is regularly carried on through the native agencies.

In addition to these visits to our own Missions and with a view to affording a wider field of observation and a broader judgment, the Deputation also visited, more or less carefully, Missions of other Churches: in Japan, 12; China, 35; India, 20; Korea, 5; Persia, 1; the Malay States, 2. Our visits further included many interdenominational Universities and Colleges, Hospitals, Y. M. C. As., etc.

One form of the Deputation's activity may be indicated by the statement that addresses were made to the following number: North Japan, 35; South Japan, 24; Amoy, 48; Arcot, 52; Arabia, 8; elsewhere, 33; in all approximately, 200.

The general plan followed was a preliminary inspection of the various Stations and Institutions of the Mission concluded by a Conference with all the missionaries, following an Agenda carefully prepared in advance with the presentation of papers,

charts and diagrams descriptive and illustrative of the work of the Missions. Such a Conference with the Arabian Mission had to be abandoned much to the regret of all, as it was especially desired there. The difficulties of travel in the Persian Gulf were such, in view of the military appropriation of all merchant ships but the Mail Steamers between Karachi and Basrah, that it was necessary even to abandon the Annual Mission Meeting. The Deputation's visit to the Stations of Bahrein and Kuwait was only made possible by the great courtesy of the British Civil and Naval Authorities in practically placing at its disposal a Sloop-of-War for the purpose.

The Deputation conceived its function to be consultative and not legislative. Important questions of policy were frankly and thoroughly discussed and conclusions, so far as reached, were recorded for report to the Board and such action as might be considered wise. Such conclusions are now being placed before the Board and are being acted on by it—as, for example, the reunion of the Japan Missions and the redistribution of its territory, the somewhat altered organization of the Amoy Mission, the re-enforcement of the Arcot Mission and the maintenance allowance applicable to the Arabian Mission.

On the evening of Oct. 16, 1916, the Board met in full session and listened to a somewhat detailed report of the observations and conclusions of its representatives on the Deputation.

The Foreign Secretary cannot conclude this comparatively brief reference to the most important and significant single missionary experience in his life without an expression of sincere appreciation to his fellow member, Dr. Hill, for the delight and stimulus of his companionship and for his large contribution to such advantages as have resulted from the journey. He also desires to express his gratitude to the other members and to the officers of the Board, as well also to the friends who made this visit to the Mission Fields of our Church possible, and freed the Board from all expense therefor, and for the action and generosity that enabled him to realize what he has so greatly desired since entering upon his duties as Secretary of the Board. The background of the experiences and obser-

vations which he has enjoyed on this memorable Deputation ought certainly to be of **value** in the discharge of our responsible tasks during the coming years.

THE MISSIONS AT WORK

AMOY.

Missions are naturally sensitive to disturbances in the political atmosphere of the countries in which they are located. During the past year the new Republic of China has been both abolished and restored, with accompanying local revolutions. There were disquieting rumors of war in Amoy and two days of desultory fighting about Tong-an, but the death of Yuan Shih-kai has apparently put an end to the imperialistic reaction and the Republic is securer than before.

In the framing of a Constitution for the new government it was first planned to establish absolute religious liberty. Later a determined effort was made to make Confucianism the state religion, thus placing Christianity, Buddhism, Muhammadanism and all the other religions of the country at a decided disadvantage. To prevent this, the Christians of all the Missions, a million perhaps, all told, combined in active protest. They were assisted somewhat in this successful undertaking by others of non-Confucian faiths.

It is worthy of notice that in China, as in Japan, Christian men are coming to political eminence. The Vice-president of the National Assembly has conducted a Bible Class composed of members of the Assembly. There were two Christian Generals in the army of the late President who, Daniel-like, refused to obey the command issued by the President that all soldiers should worship the god of war.

Forces are at work to develop a conscious unity among the scattered groups of Christians in China, hitherto separated not only by great distances, and their provincial outlook, but also by the fact that they were the product of independent missionary activities. Among these forces making for the solidarity of the Chinese Church are the Evangelistic Campaign, the personal influence of traveling evangelists

and the recently arisen need of co-operation to prevent Christianity from being placed under constitutional disabilities.

The Deputation spent practically a month in the Amoy Mission and visited all its more important fields. Their stay coincided in part with the sessions of the Synod of Amoy and with the annual meeting of the Mission. Enthusiastic testimony is borne to the benefit derived from their sympathetic interest and wise counsel. The native pastors and Christians shared with the missionaries in the pleasure and profit derived from the coming of these representatives of the Church at home.

A reading of the report from the Amoy Mission gives one a sense of the age and permanence of the work there being done. The self-supporting churches with their parochial schools of various grades, the Synod, the stable Christian communities, the College, the Theological Seminary, the Y. M. C. A., a religious publication—all these indicate the developed character of the work. It would go on, doubtless, if all the missionaries were withdrawn.

It is noticed with regret that in spite of the recent accessions to our force, the number of missionaries now at work in Amoy is two less than five years ago—so many have been the losses from death and removal. Everywhere in the report are evidences that the growing work is suffering from insufficient supervision. Even our hospitals have been inadequately manned. All students of China are agreed that this is a critical decade in her history. It is the great opportunity for which the missionary statesmen have waited. The nation is plastic and easily fixed in the moulds of Christian thought. It is the time of all times to strengthen our forces there.

To the usual trinity of missionary operations: evangelistic, educational, medical, the report adds a significant fourth, "woman's work." This is work distinctly for women and children carried on by and under the direction of the indefatigable women of the Mission. Not content with evangelistic activity and schools for women, they have assisted in

such charitable undertakings as the maintaining of a home for orphans and a refuge for slave children.

Parochial Schools are an important feature of the life of our Chinese churches. They enable the churches to educate their children in a Christian atmosphere; but they go much beyond that. The plan is to have such a school at every station where there is a pastor, and to extend the opportunities of the school to the children of non-Christian parents. Hence, the schools become agencies of evangelization. The other schools—those for women and for girls, for boys and for young men—have apparently all enjoyed a prosperous year. Talmage College opened with 89 students, 24 more than last year. The record of attendance was practically perfect and the increase in income from fees and from profits in the boarding department was 137 per cent.

Athletics, new to the Chinese, are coming to play a larger part each year in school and college life. Some of our pupils have figured successfully in inter-school athletic meets. The direction of sports affords some of our missionaries a valued opportunity to establish friendly relations with the students. A novel feature of the year was the rendering of a Cantata by 33 students. A large preaching band has also been organized among the college students.

Our hospitals have not been in uninterrupted operation during the year, due to an inadequate medical force. This is much to be regretted but was apparently unavoidable. Hope and Wilhelmina Hospitals have undergone extensive enlargement, so that seen from one point of view the group of buildings appears transformed. Over \$13,000 have been expended in improvements which place these hospitals among the largest and best equipped in that part of China. The Neerbosch Hospital at Sio-khe has rendered continuous service, the number of patients coming to the out-clinic was 2,356 and those who were cared for in the hospital were 452. Not only preaching service but a school is conducted in connection with the hospital, this was the more useful since the patients often bring some friend or relative with

them as a nurse. An electric lighting plant, the first in the region, was installed during the year. Provision has been made for the erection of a hospital at Tong-an; the plan awaits the coming of another physician.

The story of the year at Tong-an is enlivened by an account of the skirmish there and other disturbances that accompanied the revolution. It gives an interesting glimpse of the social conditions in a nation that has just made the great venture of democracy, and suggests also the unexpected ways in which the missionary cause may be advanced. That people terrified by the threatened looting of the town should have thought their persons and treasures safe under missionary protection is very significant.

The reader of the report is impressed with the number of churches that have settled pastors, and with the way in which their growth and prosperity is dependent upon pastoral leadership. The missionary is largely in a position of oversight. He may enter new fields on his tours, and may have many contacts with the unevangelized, but the force that conserves his work and builds up permanent Christian communities is the native pastor. It is a matter of proper pride that the converts in our Mission and those in the neighboring English Presbyterian Mission have from the beginning formed one independent self-governing body. They are now organized in Presbyteries and a Synod.

It will be recalled that Dr. A. L. Warnshuis has withdrawn from the immediate service of our Mission to accept the invitation of the China Continuation Committee to become National Evangelistic Secretary for all China. Though entering this broader field of service, he nevertheless retains his membership in our Mission. His headquarters are now at Shanghai, but his work of leadership in national evangelism requires that he visit the chief missionary centers of the Republic.

In his report to our Board, he outlines the activities of his first busy year in this responsible position, concluding thus: "You will easily recognize how full the year has been

for me of privilege and opportunity in learning about missionary work and workers in so many parts of the country, both by means of personal visits and also by a rapidly growing correspondence with workers in all the provinces.

"The aims and efforts of our Special Committee on a Forward Evangelistic Campaign are, of course, similar to those of the Continuation Committee in that we do not as a committee organize or in any way undertake to do any evangelistic work, but endeavor to serve the Christian forces in China as a bureau of exchange of successful experience in evangelism. The work that needs to be done can be done best by the established missions and churches, which are responsible for the maintenance and development of Christian work. By making generally known what is being done in different parts of China, and also in India and Japan, the most fruitful ways of working are discovered and can be adopted by workers in all parts of the country. Moreover, this publicity helps to keep evangelism in its central position in missionary activity, and to maintain evangelistic work with just as continuous and effective programs as missions are endeavoring to realize in their educational and medical work."

The Report of the Amoy Mission concludes with the following summary and appeal:

"This partial and imperfect report of what our Lord has been doing to establish His Kingdom in the Amoy region must come to a close. As you have read these pages you have seen some of His footprints. They are visible in the consecration of workers and Christians, in the results of the service of schools, hospitals, and churches. They are visible in the prepared hearts of the hearers and the calls that come to begin new work. They are visible in the enlarging of work which we had not expected so soon to expand. In the Tong-an District 'the missionaries tried to satisfy a local need by opening a reading-room. Immediately there was started a movement to enlarge it into a Y. M. C. A. Some industrial and manual training courses were started in a day school. Immediately there came a call to make it a genuine

industrial school and land and money were offered to help realize the desire. News came that we are to have the Elisabeth Blauvelt Memorial Hospital. Immediately there came offers of money to increase the scope of the work.' And similar calls and encouragements come from all over the field. These are our Master's footprints. You have seen them and would follow their course with thankful heart.

"But you have not seen the vast regions where His step is not known and His foot has not trod because the Church has failed to send the messengers there with the Word of Life. You cannot estimate the vastness of these regions or their moral barrenness. Yet perhaps you have caught some glimpses in the pages of this report of the valleys dotted with villages that have aching hearts and imploring hands stretched out for the message of salvation. You may have caught the murmur of the multitude of sick and the groans of the suffering ones who are waiting for the love-impelled hand of the physician to heal them and then unveil the love of Christ to them. Every District iterates this call. 'In Tong-an there has never been such an opening as at present and it is seldom that in any District there is such an opportunity.' Sio-khe District speaks of large sections appealing to us to begin work. Chiang-chiu District likewise. And some places have been kept waiting for some time already. Native workers could begin and develop new stations if a full-time evangelistic missionary could work with them.

"Amoy has more missionaries than any other center, but the native forces of young and consecrated men have for years called in vain for the leadership of a missionary who could give his full time to attack the evangelistic opportunities of the great city of Amoy. Missionaries are not only obliged to carry several distinct lines of work but by trying to be educationalists and evangelists at the same time loaded with such responsibilities that all must be done in a superficial and slovenly way. So while we have our financial worries—the more because the war at present brings an exchange on the money the Board sends that cuts it down to four-fifths

of what they meant to give us in local currency; yet our strongest plea is for workers. Will you not join with us in prayer to the Lord of the harvest that the following recruits whom the Mission is calling for may be sent to us soon?

"Three new men for District boys' schools.

"One new man for Talmage College. These four preferably having theological training also.

"Two new men for evangelistic work. Which will make it possible to designate one man for Bible School.

"Three new doctors.

"One new pharmacist manager for hospital. (U. S. law requires the pharmacist.)

"Three new trained nurses.

"Three new single ladies, one of whom shall have kindergarten training."

ARCOT.

The report of the Arcot Mission makes grateful mention of the visit during the early months of the year of the Board's Deputation of 1915-1916. Every opportunity was afforded the members of this Deputation of getting a full insight into the work and its perplexities. Their visit and words of counsel were a source of encouragement. The lively hope is expressed that, through the spreading of first hand knowledge among the Churches and constituency at home, interest in the work of the Mission will be increased.

The Personnel of the Mission underwent less change of a permanent character during the year. The changes made have been occasioned by furloughs in regular course and by brief absences from the field for reasons of health and temporary assignment to work in connection with Union Institutions beyond the bounds of the Mission. In 1915 the changes that brought great strain upon the Mission were occasioned by the sudden death of four of the experienced missionaries and active leaders in the field.

The Mission has been strengthened by the addition during the year of six missionaries, four ladies and two men—among the latter, Miss Gertrude Dodd, who was warmly welcomed upon joining the Mission as an Honorary Missionary and on assuming the duties of the Treasurer to the great relief of one of the few men of the staff.

The report notes with gratification the increase in the number of women, and with regret the disproportion in the number of the men. Of the thirty-nine members of the Mission only twelve are men—among these only seven are ordained. The serious losses of recent years have been among the men. The attention of the Board is being given to this lack of balance in the force of this and the Amoy Mission, which has developed through recent years; a condition emphasized by the fact that both of these Missions have given large attention throughout their history to evangelistic work, work which now promises larger fruitage than in the past, if it were only possible for them to develop it vigorously and continuously. The Mission is rejoicing in the prospect of an addition of four men during the present year.

The number of Indian workers on the staff is impressive—this having reached 700, of whom 600 are Christians, the balance being non-Christians, but sympathetic in their attitude, and employed in subordinate positions in the educational and medical departments, as a sufficient number of Christians is not available.

In presenting the work of the year the report deals first with the Indian Church Board. This organization assumed its responsibilities in October, 1910, and deals with the station and village Churches, and the congregations and schools connected therewith, and directs all agents therein. This year its work has centered very largely in the Evangelistic Campaign.

The Chairman of the Board, Rev. L. R. Scudder, reports: "The Evangelistic Campaign has awakened a new spirit in many hearts. New methods have been inaugurated that have been helpful. If we could extend both of them indefinitely very large results must follow. But we must confess that we have been somewhat disappointed that the gains this year have not come up to those of last year in this second year of the campaign. But

the year has been one of substantial numerical growth second only to that of last year. Ordinarily we should have counted the gains as very good. But they did not come up to our expectations. However, considering last year and this together we certainly have made very substantial growth. In no two consecutive years have we grown so much.

"The methods of work in general have been about the same. Special emphasis has again been placed on Bible study and prayer. In many instances this has been done far more successfully than during the year before.

"The special feature of this year's work has been the effort to organize what has been called not very felicitously 'Rural Campaigns' in three selected places, viz., Madanapalle, Ranipettai and Tindivanam. These would more properly be called 'Town Campaigns.' The purpose has been to survey the regions of these towns very carefully, and then to make special efforts to reach some special section of the large and practically untouched caste population."

The Communicants related to Churches within the area of the Mission now number 3421, an advance of 123 upon the previous year. An encouraging feature is the steady growth of the Christian community which has passed 14,000, an increment of about 750; while the average growth of the past five years has been 561. All the central stations, where missionaries reside, have strong self-supporting Churches and they are developing to this stage in the larger out-stations also. The Church in the central station of Vellore has added 220 to its membership in the year, owing only in part to unusual conditions.

The General Evangelistic Work of the Mission and its extent are indicated by the fact that about 50 Evangelists, ordained and unordained, are engaged in it and that in the course of a year they visited 18287 places, made 26174 addresses and reached about 300,000 hearers.

The Educational Work of this Mission has reached impressive proportions. All grades and various characters of Institutions are maintained, from the Elementary through the Second-

ary and Collegiate to the Normal and Theological. In all there are 222 of them, in which considerably over 10,000 students are instructed in Christian truth by 526 teachers, some of whom devote a part of their time to direct evangelistic work also. The earnings of these schools from fees and Government grants-in-aid amounted to the really remarkable sum of Rs. 84,000, or \$28,000.

The Theological Seminary is rejoicing in a resident Professor of Theology and Principal, after a lapse of a year following upon the sudden death of Dr. Wyckoff. The General Synod to which this report is presented will be requested by the Mission and the Board to approve the nomination of the Board of Superintendents and elect the Rev. Dr. L. R. Scudder as Professor of Theology in the Arcot Seminary.

The year at Voorhees College was marked by the addition to the staff of an American Vice-principal, Mr. Mason Olcott. For the first time in its history the College had two foreign teachers on its staff. The various departments continue to be well attended. In the College classes there were about 100 students and approximately 500 each in the High and Lower School departments. Especial mention is made in the report to the peculiar interest which has attached to the Bible class instruction. A rare opportunity is offered by the presence of so many hundreds of lads from influential non-Christian homes. The property adjoining the College, for which efforts have been made for the past twelve years, has at last been secured by the thorough, persistent and wise efforts of Mr. Potter and the co-operation of the Government, and the Cobb Memorial Hall is now rising on this site in honor of the former devoted Secretary of the Board. Voorhees College furnishes another illustration of the comparatively small expense of such missionary institutions, for with forty-six teachers and 1,000 students the net charge upon the funds supplied by the Board is only \$1,500, the large balance being supplied from the earnings of the College.

The educational institutions of the Missions generally are reported to have increased in efficiency as regards both secular instruction and religious influence. In the Boys' High Schools,

especially, has this change been marked, which goes far to justify the policy recently adopted of placing young College men from America in charge of these institutions.

The most pressing single educational need of the Mission is a fund of \$2,500 for the enlargement of the High School building at Tindivanam. Some of the higher classes are now accommodated in mere sheds, wholly inadequate to the purpose and unworthy of the Institution.

The Women's Work of the Mission enters largely into this educational field and shares as largely in its successes. The long contemplated High School for Girls has been initiated and the plans of the Mission look to the erection of buildings at Chittoor in the near future, as soon as funds become available for this long desired and ambitious plan of the Mission. There were grave doubts in the minds of many as to whether the girls had advanced to a stage where they were ready to profit by the advantages of a High School, but after actual experiment it is found that they can do it. Mentally and morally their growth is far more rapid than had been expected and proves that the establishment of a High School for them has not been premature.

The enlarged Training School for Mistresses at Chittoor is to bear the name hereafter of the "Beattie Memorial," in honor of the missionary so long associated with this station, who on his last furlough secured funds for this purpose, and who lost his life on his return journey to India.

The powerful agency of Medicine has always been well in evidence in this Mission. The General Hospital at Ranipettai and the Hospitals for Women and Children at Vellore and Madanapalle have continued on their unwearied way. The in-patients have increased by 1,700, while the out-patients have decreased considerably, owing to the closing of the Dispensary at Palmaner because of the inability of the Mission to place a missionary at that station. The receipts of this department have increased by about Rs. 1,000.

The project, initiated by the Missions in South India and now receiving the co-operation of both British and American

Boards and looking to the establishment of a Mission Medical College for Women in South India, is a marked testimony to the effectiveness and influence of the Mary Taber Schell Hospital in Vellore, for the location of the proposed College at Vellore was determined by the attraction of the Hospital and its unique availability for this important service.

The extent and variety of the work carried on by and for the Women are noteworthy and constitute a large part of the work and story of the year. Much of what is summarized above is inclusive of that done by the women. It could hardly be otherwise when twenty-seven of the thirty-nine members of the Mission are women, nineteen of them in the unmarried class. Indeed three of the nine stations have been occupied alone by women during the year under review. They are bearing increasingly the burdens of the Mission. It is a work nobly done and the record of it is a noble one.

In further evidence of the economic conditions in India that multiply the gifts of the Church at home to this Mission it is well to note that the total income derived from all sources on the field in the year amounted to Rs. 111,920, or \$37,307. The Arcot Mission has thus come within \$2,500 of doubling the appropriations of the Board for the work carried on by the missionaries.

The Arcot Mission continues to take a leading part in the development and maintenance of Union Institutional work in South India. It is a distinct commentary upon its attitude and leadership in this field of co-operative work—so characteristic of the best missionary movements of these days—that of the five outstanding union institutions, in South India, in which we are involved together with from five to twelve other Missions, three of them should be within the territory of Arcot: The Tuberculosis Sanatorium at Madanapalle, The Training School at Vellore and the proposed Medical College for Women at Vellore. The United Theological College is at Bangalore and the Women's Christian College at Madras, both within easy reach of our Mission stations. All of these institutions report gratifying development in their plans and an outlook full of promise.

The report of the Mission closes with these impressive words: "The multitudes are with us waiting; the Master bids us, 'Give ye them to eat.' We seek the lads with the loaves and fishes, but they are with the Church at home. Will the Church not send them, quickly? For unless help comes soon the multitude will depart and this day of opportunity will be lost."

JAPAN.

For the last time the annual report from our workers in Japan appears in separate sections. The two Japanese Missions are now one. The North Japan Mission characterizes its report as its "swan-song," and expresses the hope that the next twenty-eight years may give as clear a demonstration of the value of a united Mission as the past twenty-eight have given of the success of separate action. The South Japan Mission states that the year which closes the period of its separate existence has been the best year in its history. This is a happy mood in which to merge the two branches of our Japanese work.

The reunion of the Missions had long been in contemplation, and was hastened, no doubt, by the encouragement of the Deputation. In 1859 when our work in Japan was begun, our Missionaries were not at liberty, as now, to choose their fields of work. They entered, not where they preferred, but where they were permitted. The result was a widely scattered force with extremes a thousand miles apart. Because of the difficulty of communication, it was decided in 1889 that economy in time and traveling expenses required a division of the Mission. Now, after the lapse of almost a generation, the improvement in mail service and other means of communication, and the recognized desirability of a more unified and concentrated work make reunion a means of higher efficiency. This reunion was consummated at a joint meeting of the two Missions held in January, 1917.

It is proposed that other changes follow, in order further to compact our work in Japan. Hitherto our forces have

been too widely separated to develop much esprit de corps or to undertake team play. The demands of the work require concentration, and the readjustments necessary to secure this.

The reports from Japan call attention to two political events during the past year, which have special relation to missionary work there. The first was the arrival of a Papal Nuncio to whom the Emperor gave special honors, thus honoring by implication his Roman Catholic subjects, of whom there are several hundred thousand. The second event was the retirement of Marquis Okuma and the appointment of Count Terauchi as Premier. As the former Premier was friendly to the Missions, having himself been educated in part under missionary instruction, it has been feared that his retirement and the accession of a man whose career has been largely that of a soldier might work injury to the cause of Missions. This fear, however, has not been realized.

The North Japan Mission makes grateful recognition of the completion by Dr. James H. Ballagh of 55 years of service. At 84, the oldest missionary in the Kingdom, he is still active and indefatigable.

The Three Years' Evangelistic Campaign has come to a close, but it is evident that the momentum given to evangelistic work will carry into the coming years. Its results may be inferred from a single instance; following the work of an evangelist in three fields, 1,036 people signed decision cards.

The reports from the various stations in what was the North Japan Mission show little change from other years. There are the same small and usually inadequately housed congregations of worshippers and the relatively large Sunday schools. The process of Christianization is a slow one; it is "drilling away at the rock," yet new stations are being opened, and new fields invaded, while a shifting population and the requirements of military service result in many churches having a larger absent than present membership.

Special interest attaches to the report of a "White Christmas" gift by one of our Sunday schools to an orphan-

age affiliated with a local Buddhist temple; to winter evangelism in cold Morioka; to a new approach to the hitherto neglected laboring classes; to the active co-operation of different missionary bodies occupying the same field; to Christian employers who provide religious services for their employees; and to the conversion of a charcoal burner in a remote village through the reading of Christian literature. Progress has been made in Newspaper Evangelism not only in the amount of material used but in the increase of inquirers and converts.

Ferris Seminary reports a successful year, despite the fact that Rev. and Mrs. E. S. Booth and Miss Hayashi are in America. The total enrollment of students is 231, eleven more than last year. Thirteen of the pupils have been baptized during the year, thus raising the number of Christian students to 49.

Meiji Gakuin has also had a prosperous year, the enrollment in the Academic Department is 384 and the scholarship record high. Fifty-eight of the pupils are Christians. In the College Department there are 28 students, all of them Christians, all engaged in some form of Christian work and all looking toward a career of Christian service. Seventeen men are enrolled in the Theological Department. The completion, during the year, of the beautiful Chapel and Sandham Lecture Hall has added much to the material equipment of this school which we maintain in co-operation with the Presbyterians.

The Report of the South Japan Mission opens with a brief summary of the successes of the year: the increased enrollment in the boarding schools and in the Sunday schools, the new preaching places, and the one hundred and six accessions to the membership of the Church, the largest in the history of the Mission. Attention is also called to the fact that by the addition of Mr. and Mrs. Van Bronkhorst the Mission force now reaches its highest number—seventeen.

The report on the various stations of the Mission is made in the order of their establishment, beginning natur-

ally, with Nagasaki where our Japanese work commenced in 1859. The newest station is that at Kurume which was established only two years ago. Connected with each of the stations noticed are out-stations and preaching places, and it is of this year's occurrences at these many points that the report is chiefly composed. There is something in the picture of these little groups of worshippers, shepherded by native pastors and supervised by missionaries, that challenges admiration. It is still the day of small things. In most places the Church is not large enough to develop enthusiasm, or to overcome small local obstacles. Missionaries and pastors alike need heroic faith and patience. A large element of hope appears in the growing Sunday schools that are reported.

It is, of course, to be borne in mind that when one of our stations grows large enough to be self-supporting, it is transferred to the Church of Christ in Japan. The work of our missionaries is that of the nursery man who plants and cultivates, and then transplants the objects of his care into another field, where their full development takes place.

One of the hindrances to the work last year was the cholera, which was especially prevalent in South Japan and in the cities that face toward the Asiatic continent. Though naturally occasioning much concern in some of our congregations, the fatalities resulting from it were not large.

It is quite evident that a suitable building for worship and religious instruction and social purposes is the crying need of most of our stations. At Sasebo where a commodious church building was recently erected through the generosity of a member of the Deputation, a new life is evident. More converts were baptized last year in that one church than in all the others in that field.

It is interesting to read that at one point it was the competition of a Buddhist Sunday school that interfered with our work for the children, a case in which the imitation proves more attractive than the original. On the other hand, Christian funerals, besides offering an opportunity to preach the Gospel to large crowds, are impressing many, unacquainted

with Christianity, with the conviction that the Buddhists have no monopoly of impressive services in honor of the dead.

There are indications in the report of the valuable leadership of Christian men of prominence, as in the case of the head of Railway Administration who welcomed religious work among his employees and engaged social workers who induced half those in his employ to become total abstainers. An official in the Forestry Bureau in Formosa, who became interested in Christianity through the distribution of literature, has entered the Theological Seminary with a view to service in the ministry. In a church temporarily without a pastor, one of the Elders, a Clerk in the District Court, preached and taught in the Sunday school, and admirably prepared a class of his converts for baptism and admission to the Church.

Our missionaries and their helpers are giving special attention to particular groups, as to workers in the coal mines, to factory girls, to railroad employees, to school teachers, to pilgrims to sacred shrines and to guests at seaside resorts. In the two last mentioned cases the seed sown may bear fruit in widely separated fields.

There may be said to be three institutions in the South Japan Mission—Steele Academy, Sturges Seminary and the Newspaper Evangelism carried on by Mr. Pieters. The report of Steele Academy at Nagasaki is presented in the form of a calendar. On March 15th, 23 boys were graduated. In April, the school reopened with 386 pupils, the largest enrollment in its history. The monotony of school life was broken in June by a strike among the students in an effort to secure the dismissal of some unpopular teachers. Several of the strikers were expelled in consequence. The religious condition of the school, as indicated in various ways, is quite encouraging. On the last Sunday of the year 12 students united with the Church.

Sturges Seminary has also had a prosperous year. If there were a second dormitory it would immediately increase the enrollment, which last year was 169. The eleven graduates

of the year are all Christians. A Christian Endeavor Society is an important feature in the school life, and the girls are encouraged to engage in practical forms of Christian work. About two hundred neighboring children are receiving religious instruction from the students. One of the teachers translated the cheerful "Pollyanna" and read it to the girls, chapter by chapter, on Sunday afternoons. The translation has since been published by the Christian Literature Society.

The fifth year of Newspaper Evangelization work has been one of progress, in spite of inadequate funds. Over thirteen hundred new applications for literature were received, and there was an increase of nearly one hundred in the membership of the loan library association. Nineteen conversions are directly traceable to this scattering of the leaves of healing. This year there has been formed an organization, The Association of Eternal Life, intended to supply a sense of Christian fellowship and a program of services for little groups of Christians, too small or too remote to secure the service of a pastor.

ARABIA.

The Arabian Mission, more than any other of our Asiatic fields, has been brought into contact with the strain of the Great War as it is within the territory bordering on the battling nations. This is particularly true of Basrah, the northernmost station. Since the commencement of hostilities between the British and Turkish Armies Basrah has been a military camp and the base for the British Expeditionary Force in Mesopotamia. However, the military operations of this campaign have moved far to the North of Basrah city and only a small part of our field is being directly affected by the War. Whether it is that the novelty has gone from its long continuance, or that the outside propaganda has been effectively checked, or that people have learned to distinguish between the name and the reality of Christianity, the fact is that none of the stations report the war as a

factor in the approachability of the people. The Mission's relations with both the Military and Political Authorities remain cordial and they have both shown courtesies to the Mission and to individual members which show their confidence in it, and which feeling the Mission fully reciprocates. Some general effects of the War are telling on our work. Central and Eastern Turkey were sources of supply for native assistants. With the stoppage of this supply the force of helpers at all of our stations is at its lowest possible point for efficiency. The problem in the coming year will be to bring this part of our force up to its proper strength numerically. Along with the general rise in the cost of living which affects all the stations, the Mission has had to meet a general rise in the scale of pay for all its helpers ranging from 20 to 50 percent. This is a serious matter especially since there is no indication that it is a temporary tendency or that its upward limit has been reached.

Among the happy results which are anticipated from the war is the opening of the whole Mesopotamian Valley, as far North as Bagdad, by the domination of a Christian Government. Furthermore, the entire withdrawal of the intolerant Turkish authority from Arabia and the probable treaty engagements between the inland tribes of Hassa and the Nejd with the Government of India will undoubtedly open the long closed territory to our missionaries and the desire of the founders and their successors will be realized, when the whole of that neglected peninsula will be open to the Gospel of the true Prophet.

The saddest result of the War's conditions was the death on March 29, 1916, at Basrah, of Mrs. Bennett. After plans had been made for her return to America on furlough with Dr. Bennett she was taken with an infection of typhus brought to the Hospital by some Turkish prisoners of war. She was a particularly capable and lovable woman, an able physician and an ideal missionary. A full and appreciative reference to these sad circumstances and to Mrs. Bennett's services to the Mission was made in this introductory portion of the report of the Board for 1916.

Appreciative reference is made in the report of the Mission to the visit of the Board's Deputation to the Persian Gulf, albeit it had shrunk to the dimensions of one member when that field was reached. By fortunate circumstances in the midst of war's upheavals it was possible to visit every station of the Mission. The courtesies of the Chief Political Officer and of the Senior Naval Officer of the Gulf in permitting the Foreign Secretary of the Board to travel on one of the Ships of War to Bahrein and Kuweit and along the Eastern or Persian coast will be held in grateful remembrance, as it resulted in the widening of the channels of understanding sympathy between the Mission and the Home constituency.

The year was marked by the necessity of keeping our work going with a greatly reduced force of workers. The year closed with only twelve of the twenty-seven members of the Mission on the field and this also represented the working force for the major part of the year. It was the round of necessary furloughs that thus reduced the numbers. We say necessary furloughs. When the history of the Mesopotamia campaign comes to be written, the real exploit will not prove to be feats of military prowess, but the problem of keeping an army at all in the country and healthy enough to fight will appear as the real marvel. The Mission has learned in length of time what the military authorities found out in breadth of experience that the best asset is the health of the workers. So it was that although the furloughs due, if granted, would cause the gravest problem as regards the work, the Mission voted the furloughs and met the situation as best it could.

It is a satisfaction to realize that since the year reported on closed six of those absent on furlough and one other have joined the Mission and that four others on furlough and three now under appointment will return to Arabia within a few months. Thus fourteen will have joined the Mission while only four are this year returning to America on their furloughs.

The various departments of work in the different stations have been maintained much as usual. Inland touring has not been possible to any extent due to war's alarms. For example, the Sultan controls Maskat and Matrah, but the tribes in the hinter-

land of Oman are in rebellion. The British Government keeps a cordon of Indian troops between the two factions which prevents travel inland. While the Nejd hinterland of Bahrein is not disturbed to the same extent our missionaries do not find it easy to reach the Sheikhs of that region; although our missionaries at Kuweit have been greatly encouraged by receiving a visit recently at their homes from Bin Saud, the great Sheikh of Riyadh. There can be very little question that with the opening and settlement of the Mesopotamian Valley after the war large evangelistic opportunities will be open to our missionaries at Basrah.

At present the evangelistic work is carried on by faithfully using the opportunities afforded by street conversations and meetings in coffee shops and in the Mission Bible Shops which are centrally located in every station.

The Schools are being more regularly maintained, although the attendance is irregular, except at Basrah, where the new order of things, owing to British occupation, contributes to law and order and greater regularity in all established institutional work. The Boys' and Girls' Schools at Basrah now have large attendances of 115 and 70 respectively, with grades of work well established. This is especially noteworthy in the case of the Girls, for Islam does not give much encouragement to the enlightenment of its women.

The increasing strength of the educational work at Basrah gathers additional significance from the fact that, with the establishment of a strong and enlightened Government, the demand for Schools will grow apace. Street sanitation, town regulations, law courts,—all these need the support of education. Already our missionaries are being consulted and their schools being utilized in the location, staffing and supervision of schools in the villages round about Basrah. This service is recognized by liberal grants-in-aid from the new Government.

The medical work of the Mission has continued its useful ministries, except in Bahrein where the weakening of the medical staff led to the closing of the Mason Memorial Hospital for some months, and in Basrah where the illness of Dr. Bennett and the death of Mrs. Bennett, following the infection of typhus, closed

the Lansing Hospital for a number of weeks. The new Hospital at Kuwait is carrying on a most useful work and the erection of a Women's Dispensary, now proceeding, will add much to this department of our Mission's activities and influence.

The Dispensary at Maskat, with accommodation for a few in-patients, is playing its important part in the growing usefulness and steadily increasing permanence of Christian life and service in Oman.

The distribution of Bibles and Portions through the Bible Shops and colporteurs in their travels continues to be a distinct part of the Mission's means of influence. The Bibles put thus into circulation amongst Moslems were 800, while only 105 Testaments, which meet a stronger opposition from Muhammadans, were distributed. The number of Scripture portions was 4,554.

The Women's share in the life and work of the Mission is large and pervasive. Even to an interested reader from a distance this fact has always been impressive, but to one who has seen the conditions of life and has to some small degree experienced the life and observed the work of the ladies it is profoundly stirring. To live the life and do the deeds they do through long hot months, while the winds beat upon the houses and drive the dust of the desert and the insects of the air within, and to do this at times when no men of their kind are in the station to give them the contact with the outside world and protection, which is only possible with men in Moslem lands, all this is true heroism. The way in which these women prosecute their evangelistic work, riding for miles across the desert on the backs of unruly mules, or opening their homes to visits from untidy and unclean Muhammadan and Persian women who flock in to the number of 700 a year—these ways are strange to us in America. It is a comfort to feel that our missionaries are now in houses which fairly well secure to them such protection as is possible in Arabia, not all of them houses of foreign construction, but such Arab houses as are now occupied by them in Basrah are measureably comfortable.

The Church in Arabia has not yet come into being as an organized body, although there are chapels in each station and

services are regularly maintained. The day of the Lord and of the establishment of His Church in Arabia will come, but it stirs us to prayer to read these words in the report: "Knowing as we do the spirit of Islam we sometimes wonder if there will ever be a visible church here, or if all the Moslems are to belong at once to the Church Triumphant."

The report concludes with these appealing words: "In concluding this report we commend our weak and faulty efforts to make the name of the Lord Jesus Christ known in this needy part of the world-field to Him Who chose the weak things of the world, that He might put to shame the things that are strong. One feature in the individual reports from which this one has been made up has not been mentioned so far, lest by frequent repetition the force of the request might be weakened. One and all feel their own insufficiency and their need for divine help through prayer, their own and the intercessory prayers of believers. We would not in any way make light of our needs for reinforcements, but all our needs for men and women and money and equipment pale before our need of Him Who alone is able to bring in the Kingdom in Arabia."

MISSIONARIES AND THEIR MOVEMENTS.

The number of missionaries in the service of the Board at the end of 1916 was 141, including the representatives of the University of Michigan. Of these, thirty-five are ordained and eighteen unordained men; forty married and forty-eight unmarried women.

RETURNED TO THE FIELD.

The following missionaries returned to their fields of labor after furloughs in this country: To *China*, Miss M. C. Morrison, Miss K. R. Green and Rev. and Mrs. H. P. Boot; to *India*, Mrs. L. R. Scudder, Miss Louisa H. Hart, M.D., and Rev. B. Rottschaefer; to *Japan*, Mrs. A. Pieters, Rev. and Mrs. W. G. Hoekje;

to *Arabia*, Rev. and Mrs. James Cantine, D.D., Rev. J. E. Moerdyk, Miss Fanny Lutton, Rev. and Mrs. E. E. Calverley and Dr. P. W. Harrison.

RETURNED HOME ON FURLOUGH.

From *India*, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Farrar, Miss A. E. Hancock, Miss D. M. Houghton; from *Japan*, Rev. and Mrs. E. S. Booth, Rev. and Mrs. L. J. Shafer, Miss S. M. Couch and Miss H. M. Lansing; from *Arabia*, Miss J. A. Scardefield, Miss Fanny Lutton, Dr. A. K. Bennett, Rev. and Mrs. G. D. Van Peurse, Mrs. H. G. Van Vlack and Miss M. C. Holzhauser.

NEW MISSIONARIES.

The following new missionaries entered upon service in the course of the year: In *China*, Rev. and Mrs. Lyman A. Talman; in *India*, Rev. and Mrs. Lambertus Hekhuis; in *Japan*, Rev. and Mrs. Alexander Van Bronkhorst; in *Arabia*, Mrs. Paul W. Harrison.

NEW APPOINTMENTS.

The following new appointments have been made: to *China*, Rev. H. M. Veenschoten and his fiancée, Miss Stella E. Girard, Rev. Henry Poppen and his fiancée, Miss Dorothy C. Trompen and Mr. Irwin J. Lubbers; to *India*, Rev. H. E. Van Vranken and his fiancée, Miss Nellie Smallegan, Rev. J. C. Van Wyk and his fiancée, Miss Amelia S. Menning, Miss Wilhelmina Noordyk and Mr. C. R. Wierenga; to *Japan*, Rev. H. V. E. Stegeman and his fiancée, Miss Gertrude J. Hoekje; to *Arabia*, Rev. H. A. Bilkert and his fiancée, Miss Anna M. Monteith and Miss Mary C. Van Pelt.

In making these appointments the Board has already received the assurance of the support of the Church in the fact that, not only has the expense of outfit and traveling to the fields been assured by a special gift as noted elsewhere, but that the support of virtually all of these new appointments has already been assumed by Churches, Sunday schools and individuals.

OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.

The Membership of the Board has been affected only by the death of its late President, Rev. J. G. Fagg, D.D., in whose place a substitution will need to be made in the class of 1916-1919.

The terms of the following members of the Board expire with this session of the General Synod:

Rev. W. H. S. Demarest, D.D.	Rev. E. G. Read, D.D.
Rev. Lewis Francis, D.D.	Rev. C. H. Stewart, D.D.
Rev. Matthew Kolyn, D.D.	Mr. Wm. L. Brower
Rev. T. H. Mackenzie, D.D.	Mr. Cornelius Dosker
Rev. J. P. Searle, D.D.	

THE HOME DEPARTMENT.

This department has two main functions: First, to impart information regarding the progress and needs of our work abroad, and second, to arouse and sustain a generous support of this work by gifts of money and prayer. The former involves the issuing and distributing of missionary literature and the presentation of the cause by returned missionaries and other speakers. The latter includes the cultivation of missionary devotion and the promotion of such approved methods of financing the Church as the Every Member Canvass and the Duplex Envelope.

It is through the Home Department, also, that there is secured that interdenominational co-operation which has, in the promotion of missionary interest and giving, contributed so greatly to economy and efficiency. The chief agencies in this co-operation are the Missionary Education Movement, the Laymen's Missionary Movement, the World's Sunday School Association, the Committee of Twenty-eight, the Bible and Tract Societies.

The work of the Home Secretary and the District Secretary is substantially the same, the latter being confined mainly to the Synod of Chicago. It may be summarized as follows: Office service, correspondence, editorial work, personal pres-

entation of the cause, the conduct of a missionary lecture bureau, the management of missionary campaigns, the promotion of better methods of financial support, and the representation of the Board in co-operative activities at home.

THE DISTRICT COMMITTEE.

Our Church falls naturally into two divisions, the three Eastern Synods and the Synod of Chicago. It is the members of the Board belonging to the latter Synod that compose the District Committee. The steady increase in that Synod's contributions of money and candidates for missionary service may be attributed to the wise supervision of this District Committee and the energetic leadership of the District Secretary, Rev. William J. Van Kersen. The missionary spirit manifest in many of the churches of the Synod is a matter for denominational pride and gratitude.

THE CLASSICAL AGENTS.

The Classical Agent is the link between the Board and the individual church. Through him the Board transmits information and projects plans for the Classes. His is a service that may well be magnified, and there are many of our agents whose report to their Classes are models of careful tabulation of the contributions of their churches and persuasive statements of the needs of the work abroad. A Classis with such an agent is sure to make progress in generosity. It is important that Classes should recognize the importance of electing men of natural leadership to this important position.

THE MISSIONARY EDUCATION MOVEMENT.

This is an interdenominational agency, whose purpose is the promotion of Mission Study and missionary interest in general. Under the direction of a Committee of Twenty-eight, composed of members from the four federations of Foreign and Home Missionary Societies it issues each year a set of study books and helps upon a theme, chosen because of its

timeliness. The Foreign Mission books published this year relate to Africa and those on Home Missions to the Italians in America. Catalogues of these books, and supplementary pamphlets, picture sheets and stereopticon slides can be obtained by application to the Missionary Education Movement, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York.

FOREIGN MISSION SUNDAY.

By action of General Synod, the last Sunday in February was designated for the special presentation of the cause of Foreign Missions in our churches and Sunday schools. The first observance of this day in its new location in the calendar was widespread, and accompanied by a distribution of literature to the pastors and churches, Sunday schools and Young People's Societies. It is believed that this day is to become one of the great religious festivals of the year.

THE SPECIAL NEWS BULLETIN.

This is a brief illustrated statement of news items of special interest issued as occasion may suggest, and mailed direct to about 4,500 of our laymen, whose names were secured from the pastors. Its aim is to bring important missionary information to men who may not see our denominational publications, and to cultivate a sense of their personal relation to our Board. The value of such a list of interested laymen was illustrated recently when a direct appeal was sent to them to make a special gift to lessen the impending deficit and about \$1,600 was received as a result. But the value of this list could be greatly enlarged if all our pastors would forward lists of their leading laymen, from five to twenty, from each church.

ILLUSTRATED PRESENTATION.

This is a picture age. An article without illustrations stands but a small chance of being read. In response to appeals from our office, our Missionaries are sending us many interesting photographs. These appear in our various pub-

lications and are reproduced in stereopticon slides. There are now several sets of such slides in both our eastern and western offices, and are available, with no other expense than expressage, for the use of our churches and their societies. There was issued last year the first of a series of placards, 14 by 22 inches, showing "Our Newest Missionaries and Some of our New Buildings in Asia." This attractive placard is intended for church bulletin boards, for use in Sunday schools and Young People's Societies. It will be sent upon application.

REMODELLING THE CHURCH HOUSE.

A representative of the Board has served during the year upon the House Committee created by the last General Synod. This Committee has under contemplation extensive changes in the property at 25 East 22nd Street. The more convenient arrangement of rooms and better lighting and ventilation planned should add materially to the efficiency of our office force and also to the comfort of our visitors.

THE EVERY MEMBER CANVASS.

Among the recommendations passed by the last General Synod was one pressing upon the attention of the pastors and consistories of churches the financial and other advantages that follow the EVERY MEMBER CANVASS and the use of the DUPLEX ENVELOPE SYSTEM. The experience of the last year has accentuated these advantages. Many churches have made the Canvass for the first time with most encouraging results. Many others have repeated it with similar results.

For several years the Canvass has been promoted by a Joint Committee of the two Mission Boards, but inasmuch as all the Boards and Funds profit by the Canvass, it was thought best to entrust the further promotion of modern methods of Church Finance to the Committee on Systematic Beneficence, which has issued two pieces of literature on the

subject during the year: "HOUSEHOLD EXPENSES" and "THE CHURCH AND THE CANVASS."

It is partly due to the adoption of the Every Member Canvass and the Duplex Envelope that during three years the income of the Board from the gifts of the churches was \$108,221 more than during the preceding three-year period.

MISSIONARY LITERATURE.

The record of the year's work is published by the Board in three forms, suited to three purposes: The voluminous Annual Report presented to General Synod is intended for the use of pastors, mission study class leaders and others who desire extended information regarding the various departments of the work. The first section of this complete report is published separately in a volume of about 60 pages with the title, "The Reformed Church in the East." This is suited to the needs of adult readers, already somewhat informed as to our Missions. The minimum report, "Our Work in Four Asiatic Lands" contains a very brief statement of the work of the year, a statistical table and some slight historical information regarding each of the fields. This appears as a four-page folder and is intended for the widest possible circulation. Last year an English edition of 50,000 was printed and a Dutch and German edition of 5,000 and 8,000 respectively. The complete Annual Report is published in an edition of 2,500 and "The Reformed Church in the East" appeared last year in an English edition of 10,000 and a Dutch edition of 7,000. All of these reports are rendered attractive by fresh illustrations. Besides these annual publications, the Board is constantly issuing fresh literature suited to various readers, dealing with our different fields and the varied aspects of the Missionary Cause. There are issued, also, special leaflets intended for use in the different grades of the Sunday school. All of this literature is sent, without charge, upon request.

THE MISSION FIELD.

This is our denominational monthly, published jointly by several of our Boards. It records the progress and presents the needs of our Church enterprises. It is the only publication that does this and for that reason has a special claim upon the attention of all loyal members of our Church. It should go into every English-speaking home in our denomination. When subscribed for in clubs, the cost is only twenty-five cents per year. The price can not be a barrier to its larger circulation. Pastors and other leaders are urged to establish clubs in their churches. The address of the Mission Field is 25 East 22nd Street, New York.

NEGLECTED ARABIA.

While reports from our work in Arabia occur occasionally in the Mission Field, full record of the activities of the Arabian Mission appears in the attractive quarterly, Neglected Arabia. This magazine exists to promote that Mission and is issued by it for free distribution among those who by gifts or in other ways have indicated their interest in it. Its present circulation is about 4,500 and should be increased. Besides going to individuals, it is sent in large numbers to the churches that are regularly contributing to the Arabian Mission.

REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON THE MISSIONARY EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Adopted April 23rd, 1917.

This Department, in which the four Mission Boards of the Church co-operate, had been served by Mr. Harry A. Kinports, as Secretary, from the time of its inception, almost ten years ago, until December 31, 1916, when Mr. Kinports resigned in order to engage in business. There has been a steady development in the Department from the time it was

established as the "Department of Young People's Work" to the present time. From the outset Missionary Education was projected and urged, and many mission study classes were organized in young people's societies and other organizations as a result of Mr. Kinports' energy and enthusiasm. The approach to the Bible schools, in the effort to secure the adoption of definite methods of missionary instruction, presented many difficulties. Not the least among these was the lack of suitable material for making missionary impressions upon young children. Bible classes and adult classes, like young people's societies, could be led to use the textbooks published by the Missionary Education Movement and other interdenominational agencies; but there was nothing to offer regularly for use in classes of younger children. This situation led our Missionary Education Department, a few years ago, to publish a quarterly missionary leaflet, which was found to be exceedingly useful in many schools, but which did not find that wide acceptance which its merits deserved. But even this quarterly lesson did not meet the whole need, since it was suited only to intermediate classes, and there was still nothing adequate to offer for the use of primary grades.

The work performed by Mr. Kinports, both by correspondence and by visitation of the Bible schools has prepared the way, it is believed, for a definite graded course of lessons adapted to the use of all of our Bible schools in all of their departments. When, therefore, the resignation of Mr. Kinports made it necessary for the committee in charge of the Department to plan for its continuance without his leadership and personality, it was decided to concentrate effort, for the time being, upon the production of such a graded course of lessons. The committee has been at work upon the matter for some months and is now able to announce that some of the new material will be available by November 1st, so that our Bible schools may begin to put the courses in operation not later than January, 1918.

The material in preparation, or which is projected for production in the near future, comprises the following:

1. FOR PRIMARY GRADES.

A two years' course of simple, illustrated lessons; one for each Sunday and each planned to take not more than five minutes. Included will be simple material for each child to take home. All material is being planned to give the children impressions of the love, the service, the prayer and the sacrifice involved in the missionary motive.

2. FOR INTERMEDIATE AND JUNIOR CLASSES.

A two years' course of monthly missionary lessons, each planned to take not more than fifteen minutes. These lessons will take the form of travelogues to Home and Foreign Mission fields. The lessons will be supplemented by charts or posters, and by a Missionary Catechism which may be used independently of the monthly lessons if desired.

3. FOR SENIOR OR ADULT CLASSES.

The Committee plans the preparation of two books, one devoted to Domestic Missions and one to Foreign. These are designed to cover the present missionary operation of the Reformed Church in a manner at once readable, informing and inspirational. The two books will be adapted for a flexible method of use in classes or societies. Each will contain probably eight chapters, providing practical division into eight lessons if desired. The books will be supplemented by the reports and other publications of the several Boards.

It is designed that all of the courses shall promote habits of individual, systematic giving by the scholars; and the Missionary Education Department will urge the adoption by all Bible Schools of systematic, weekly missionary offerings by means of the Duplex Envelope or some other approved method.

In the work of planning for this forward step in the production of missionary educational material for use in Bible schools, the Joint Committee of the Mission Boards has had the advantage of the constant advice and counsel of the Edu-

cational Secretary of the Board of Publication and Bible School Work, who is in hearty sympathy with the movement. It is hoped that a plan may be found whereby that Board will act as the publishing agency for the Missionary Education Department. In any event, arrangements will be made whereby this valuable material will be furnished to our Bible schools at minimum prices, so that none may be barred from its use because of expenses.

FINANCES.

RECEIPTS, BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The receipts of the Board for its regular work were \$205,941.32, of which \$175,661.82 were from collections, \$18,281.20 from legacies, \$3,600 from sale of real estate given the Board, \$100 fee for life membership, and \$8,298.30 from interest on Funds. There were, also, received for special objects outside the appropriations \$27,910.93 making a total of funds received for the regular work of the Board of \$233,852.25.

Among the largest of these gifts to special objects were \$7,823.77 from the Woman's Board, \$4,400.63 for the China Education Fund, \$4,222.48 for the Hospital in Amoy, \$2,392.63 for the Tong-an School, \$1,115.38 for Newspaper Evangelism, \$1,072.04 toward repairing the injury wrought by the tornado in India, \$1,120 from the Netherlands Committee for Wilhelmina Hospital, Amoy.

An addition of \$1,562.31 was made to the Scudder Memorial Fund.

The sum of \$12,070 was received from the Milton Stewart Evangelistic Funds to meet the expenses of outfit and travel for missionaries about to go to the field.

A new permanent fund of \$15,000 has been established by a gift from the Consistory of the Madison Avenue Reformed Church of New York City. By this and other gifts, this Church long prominent in our Communion continues its benefactions to our denominational enterprises.

RECEIPTS, ARABIAN MISSION.

From collections there were received \$35,725.34, from the Students' Christian Association of the University of Michigan \$1,115.38, from legacies \$1,100, from interest on funds \$450. There was, also, contributed to special objects outside the appropriations the sum of \$512.08. These amounts total \$38,902.80.

TOTALS.

The combined receipts of the Board and the Arabian Mission were \$302,453.02, being \$6,966.84 less than the total amount received last year, in which was included the \$25,000 resulting from the special Arabian Campaign. A table presenting summaries of the above figures appears on the following page.

RECEIPTS.

FOR THE REGULAR WORK OF THE BOARD.

From Collections:

Churches, S. S., Y. P. S.	\$103,856.23	
Woman's Board	60,550.52	
Individual Gifts	11,255.07	
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	\$175,661.82	
Legacies, net	18,281.20	
Real Estate sold.....	3,600.00	
Life Membership fee.....	100.00	
Interest on Funds	8,298.30	\$205,941.32
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Special Objects outside the appro- priations	27,910.93	
Additions to Funds.....	17,627.97	
Fund for travel expenses of New Mis- sionaries 1917-1918	12,070.00	57,608.90
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FINANCES

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FOR THE ARABIAN MISSION:

Collections	35,725.34	
Interest on Funds.....	450.00	
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	36,175.34	
Special Objects outside Appropriations	512.08	
University of Michigan, S. C. Assn...	1,115.38	
Legacies	1,100.00	38,902.80
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Total Receipts		302,453.02
Deducting:		
Legacies	19,381.20	
Interest	8,748.30	
Madison Ave. Church Fund.....	15,000.00	43,129.50
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Total of all contributions—1917		259,323.52
Total of all contributions—1916		257,938.68
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Gain in contributions, 1917		1,384.84
Loss in Total receipts, 1917		6,966.84

HOME EXPENSES AND PER CAPITA GIFTS.

The Home Expenses which includes the cultivation of missionary interest at home and the administration of the work abroad, as, also, the collection and disbursement of all the moneys received, amount to 9% of the Board's income which computed on the same basis is substantially that of last year. An interest charge of \$2,801 made necessary by the small receipts of the summer months is not included in these percentages.

The total receipts, \$302,453 if divided by 130,943, the membership of our Church at the beginning of the year indicate that the average per capita contribution was \$2.31. If, however, from the above total we deduct the legacies received from the dead and interest derived from funds, it would appear that gifts from the living average \$1.98 per member. These averages last year were respectively \$2.44 and \$2.03.

EXPENDITURES, BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The amount expended by the Board for its regular work on the field was \$207,202.77 distributed as follows: Amoy, \$48,516.16; Arcot, \$78,941.14; North Japan, \$31,798.03; South Japan, \$34,579.26, and to the Japan Mission combined after Jan. 1st, \$13,368.18. The interest paid upon moneys borrowed by the Board was \$2,801.01; Home Expenses for promotion, collection and administration were \$22,081.55.

EXPENDITURES, ARABIAN MISSION.

The amount expended for the regular work was \$34,555.88. There was no interest charge as the Mission was not under the necessity of borrowing to meet its obligations. Its share of Home Expenses was \$4,511.20.

A detailed statement of the "Revenue and Expenditures" of the Board and the Arabian Mission appears on the latter pages of this report.

WOMAN'S BOARD.

The receipts of the Woman's Board from all sources were \$87,928.45. Of this amount \$1,181.18 was contributed for the Gymnasium of Ferris Seminary, Japan; \$1,251.27 for the Kindergarten at Chiang-chiu, China. Legacies were received from the following Estates: Haskell A. Searle \$8,424.51, Harriet N. Strang \$1,088, Mary B. Sanborn \$1,000, Anna Fitzsimmons \$250 and Elizabeth DeWitt \$50.

This Board has paid during the past year into the treasury of Synod's Board for work in China, India and Japan the sum of \$68,374.29, of which \$7,823.77 were for items outside the appropriations for regular work. It also made contributions to the Arabian Mission in the sum of \$4,320.27. This total is considerably in excess of that of last year.

The Board takes this occasion to express its deep appreciation of the zeal and fidelity of the members of the Woman's Board, through whose efforts so large an amount is secured annually for the maintenance of our work abroad.

CONCLUSION.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY.

The most important fact in the financial history of the year is the serious increase of the deficit in the account of the Board. The year began with a small debt of \$2,370 carried over from last year. The necessary expenses of the Board during the past year have exceeded its income available to meet them by \$27,025, making the total deficit at the close of the year \$29,395, the largest that the Board has had to report since 1899 when it ended the year with an adverse balance of \$35,422.

In contemplating this deficit it is important to take into account the fact that war conditions have of necessity largely increased the cost of carrying on our work. Three specific instances will illustrate this. Ocean freight rates are five times as high as normal with excessive insurance rates added. All our Missionaries must now take the long route by way of the Pacific and pay increased passenger rates. By the altered rate of exchange in China a dollar of our money which formerly sold for \$2.40 Chinese money has brought as low as \$1.60. The increased expense, involved in facts like these, constitute a part of the burden of the world-war which has fallen upon our missionary enterprise. It will not grow less till peace is established.

It should, also, be taken into account that while the total deficit reported is \$29,395, there is now in the treasury of the Board \$12,070 contributed by the Milton Stewart Evangelistic Funds to send out the missionaries recently commissioned. This is immediately available for the expenses of the new year and practically reduces the deficit by that amount.

In spite of the large deficit there are many encouraging features in the financial record of the year. From the churches there was an increase in contributions to the Board for its regular work of \$6,026, or 7%. There was a slight gain in gifts from our Sunday schools and an increase of \$6,500 in contributions by individuals apart from churches, over a thousand of this being from new contributors. From the Woman's Board there was received about \$7,000 more than last year. There was a gain

of \$1,000 in the available legacies. The total collections from all sources, though there were no special campaigns conducted, were about \$19,000 in excess of those of last year.

It is to be noted that the deficit reported is in the account of the Board as distinct from that of the Arabian Mission, which closed the year with a surplus of over \$5,000. The Arabian Mission receipts for the year indicate that the campaign of last year, instead of being followed by a reaction, has given an added impulse to the regular giving to this cause. This appears from the fact that contributions to the regular work of this Mission exceeded those of last year by \$2,655, or 8%, and were in excess of those of several years past.

If we compare the total amount received by both Boards this year with that received last, we have \$302,453 as against \$309,419 or a loss of about \$7,000. It is to be borne in mind, however, that the total of last year included the \$25,000 raised by the Quarter Century Arabian Campaign and also matured conditional gifts of nearly \$10,000, altogether exceptional items. On the other hand, if from the above total for this year we deduct the amount received in legacies and interest, there remains as the year's contributions from the living \$259,323 as against \$257,938 given the year before.

GIFTS OF LIFE SERVICE.

The Board was much impressed early in the year with the unreserved offers of life service from some of the best men and women in the graduating classes of our Institutions in Holland. No less than seven of the eleven Seniors of our Western Seminary made formal application for appointments as missionaries of our Church in Asia, and five of the Seniors of Hope College—leaders in their class—placed their services at the disposal of the Board for short term educational work, in accordance with a well established and fruitful policy of Foreign Boards. The students of Hope also undertook most courageously to support one of these missionary teachers in the field, designating at present Mr. John D. Muyskens, Principal of the High School at Madanapalle, the school taking the name of "Hope High School"

in recognition of this relationship. Other offers of service were also pressed upon the Board from our Eastern Institutions.

The Board gave prolonged and careful consideration to these unusual opportunities to strengthen the forces in the fields so sorely depleted in recent years. Thorough investigations were made into the physical and mental and spiritual equipments of those who had thus applied for service abroad, in which the Board was greatly assisted by the Western District Committee. The losses from death and illness in the last five years, seriously affecting all our fields with well nigh tragic results; the unquestioned and striking enlargement of opportunities in all our Mission Fields; the challenge of the serious and disturbed times in which we are now living; these unusually impressive offers of life service—all these considerations have led the Board, after months of delay and inquiry, to commission sixteen missionaries this year to represent our Church in her Foreign Mission Fields.

The pathos of this unusual advance in one year is that the losses through Providential circumstance since 1913 have been such that with these additions we shall not exceed the total number of our missionaries in service five years ago. During the present calendar year it is anticipated that fifteen of the names appearing on last year's roll will have disappeared, owing to retirements caused for the most part by illness and death.

By a very fortunate circumstance the Board has received a special gift of \$12,000 referred to above to meet the expense of providing the appointees of this year with their outfits and travel allowances to their respective fields of service.

The Board has followed what appeared to be the leading of Providence and rests confidently on the assurance that in so doing it will have the generous support of the entire Reformed Church.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

The Board makes the following recommendations:

1. That in view of the satisfactory experience of last year we renew the recommendation that the last Sunday in February

be designated for the special presentation of the cause of Foreign Missions in our Churches and their Sunday schools.

2. That we continue our strong recommendation of the Every Member Canvass and the Duplex Envelope System, now in successful use in over one hundred and twenty-five of our Churches, as the best method for enlisting the financial assistance of the entire constituency of our churches in the support of the local Church and the denominational agencies.

3. That as a concrete expression of our resolve we as a Board and as a Church definitely and purposefully undertake to reach the financial goal of \$325,000, fixed by recommendation of General Synod three years ago, and the two succeeding years, as our attainable objective for the coming year.

4. That, in the midst of the turmoil of the present day and the challenge of some of the ideals of our national and religious life, we once more declare our unfaltering devotion to the fundamental and enduring things; that we stress the unselfish and spiritual elements in life's activities; and realizing that in the history of the nations and of the Church periods of political disturbance and economic distress have given birth to great spiritual enterprises, we solemnly resolve to abate nothing of our stewardship in the full maintenance of the spiritual life of our country, and especially, in the contact of that life with those parts of the spiritually needy world in which our Church is represented by its faithful ambassadors. Thus shall we and must we do our part in these challenging times to keep alive our own souls and the souls of our people.

In behalf of the Board,

WM. I. CHAMBERLAIN, *Foreign Secretary.*

EDWARD W. MILLER, *Home Secretary.*

Approved by the Board

May 18, 1917.

AMOY MISSION

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THE AMOY MISSION, CHINA.

FOUNDED 1842.

AREA OCCUPIED 6,000 SQUARE MILES. POPULATION 3,000,000.

Missionaries.—Amoy, Mrs. L. W. Kip, Miss K. M. Talmage, Miss M. E. Talmage, Miss L. N. Duryee, Rev. H. P. Boot, Rev. H. P. DePree, Dr. J. H. Snoke, Mr. H. Renskers, Miss B. M. Ogsbury, Dr. G. W. Dunlap, Mr. F. J. Weersing, Miss E. C. Boynton, Miss W. Murman. *Tong-an*, Rev. Frank Eckerson, Miss K. R. Green, Miss E. K. Beekman, Rev. L. A. Talman. *Chiang-Chiu*, Miss M. C. Morrison, Rev. S. Day, Miss M. Norling. *Sio-khe*, Miss N. Zwemer, Rev. H. J. Voskuil, Dr. T. Bosch. *Shanghai*, Rev. and Mrs. A. L. Warnshuis.

Associate Missionaries.—Mrs. H. P. Boot, Mrs. H. J. Voskuil, Mrs. H. P. DePree, Mrs. S. Day, Mrs. J. H. Snoke, Mrs. T. Bosch, Mrs. F. J. Weersing, Mrs. L. A. Talman.

In America.—Dr. and Mrs. E. J. Strick, Miss L. Vander Linden.

STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE CHURCHES—1916—AMOY MISSION.

Names of Churches.	Church Organizations.	Constituent Chapels.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Died.	Suspended.	Excommunicated.	Removed.	Communicants.	Infants Baptized.	Inquirers.	Baptized Non-Communicants.	Domestic Missions.	Native Contributions Exclusive of School Contributions.
Sin-koe.....	1	2	27	3	2	8	3	..	..	229	20	70	195	\$415	\$2,345
Tek-chhiu-kha	1	1	37	1	3	10	8	..	..	360	40	50	242	473	2,429
Khoe-hoa	1	..	4	..	..	2	3	..	..	74	4	20	52	500	1,165
Kam-un-hoe .....	..	3	2	..	..	1	..	..	1	51	2	20	15	818	818
Aw-kang	1	3	5	..	2	2	..	..	..	135	1	20	96	155	702
Chiang-chiu	1	2	12	1	2	2	9	2	..	209	9	151	30	168	997
Thian-po	1	1	1	..	4	4	4	..	..	51	2	20	39	54	358
Lam-sin	1	..	..	1	2	..	8	1	..	98	..	30	94	20	346
Chioh-be	1	1	9	2	..	3	..	..	..	135	8	25	97	234	814
Leng-soa	1	2	2	..	..	1	7	1	..	59	3	20	35	65	453
Sio-khe	1	1	..	3	..	2	8	..	..	70	6	30	55	42	397
Poa-a	1	3	..	..	2	13	12	..	..	136	..	40	34	42	727
Soa-sia	1	4	4	4	1	3	3	..	..	51	3	10	34	66	332
Haw-san	1	2	5	..	..	3	7	..	..	55	5	30	65	15	368
Bi-kong-hoe .....	..	2	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	18	1	12	17	8	74
Tong-an	1	3	17	..	..	1	18	..	2	215	14	100	160	150	1,116
Hong-san	1	3	10	..	1	3	1	..	..	113	8	56	75	156	903
Totals	15	33	136	15	19	58	94	4	3	2,059	126	704	1,335	\$3,381	\$14,344
Totals for South Fukien Synod...	27	146	324	52	63	142	271	5	9	4,945	297	2,153	3,326	\$6,806	\$34,448

Note—The money reported is Mexican dollars, which at par are worth one-half ours.

REPORT FOR 1916.

INTRODUCTION.

The Chinese have a proverb, "a thousand or ten thousand reckonings of men are not equal to one reckoning of Heaven." With this proverb in mind one feels how incomplete any report of the year's work must be. "We know in part." It is impossible to measure spiritual forces, record accurately spiritual gains, estimate spiritual triumphs. The facts we present can give only a general indication of what has been done. Accounts of the labors of your missionaries or the host of consecrated native workers show how the seed is sown, but cannot reveal how widely it is germinating or how great a harvest is ripening. "When he sleepeth it groweth up he knoweth not how" may even be the story of much that the workers considered love's labor lost. God's garners may show much grain from what we deemed wasted seed. But imperfect and partial as any description of the year's work may be, there is nevertheless so much spiritual fruit visible and there is manifest so much "labor in the Lord" which cannot be in vain that we send forth this general survey of the work of 1916 knowing that it can be helpful, encouraging, and inspiring, in the preparation and reading alike.

POLITICAL.

The year 1916 was for China politically a year of rapid changes. Yuan Shih-kai abolished the republic and made himself emperor, a revolution began, the emperor died after 83 days of imperial power, and a republic was again declared. These events had their influence everywhere. The American Consul, fearing lest disorder might prevail, requested missionaries in the interior not to travel to distant out-stations. For a few days there were rather disturbed conditions at Tong-an, and some

fighting occurred there but on the whole it was mental worry through uncertainty as to what might take place rather than actual disturbance that in any way interfered with the work.

CHURCH IN CHINA.

The events of the year have helped greatly in deepening the feeling of solidarity in the Chinese church. A proposal to make Confucianism the state religion has greatly agitated the church, and church bodies all over the country sent telegrams to the National Assembly, the legislative body, protesting against it and contending for the religious liberty that had been assured in the first Constitution. Although the Christian church forms an insignificant proposition of the population their protests will probably prevent the proposed restriction being embodied in the new Constitution, and religious liberty be assured in it as before. This experience must broaden the outlook of the church beyond local interests. The Vice President of the National Assembly, Mr. C. T. Wang, is a Christian and has been conducting a Bible Class attended by ten members of the Assembly. So with a growing sense of unity comes an increasing realization of the opening doors. The Forward Evangelistic Campaign directed by Dr. Warnshuis aimed at a week of evangelistic effort on the part of every church in China, and the aim has been very largely realized, most churches observing the first week of the Chinese New Year, Jan. 28—Feb. 4, for this purpose. It is too early to speak of the results of the week, but merely the knowledge that the local church has that it is co-operating in a nation wide movement must be very helpful.

CHURCH IN AMOY REGION.

This feeling that we are only a part of the Church of Christ in China is brought home to our Christians also by the visits of valued workers from other places. Pastor Ding Li Mei, the Chinese evangelist, again spent a short time at Amoy, and also gave several days to Chiang-chiu. One of the missionaries said of one of his addresses on, "Grieve not the Holy Spirit," that

she had never heard a better sermon; and the Chinese were very much impressed. Mr. David Yui, of the Lecture Department of the Y. M. C. A., a graduate of Yale, also delivered forceful lectures, mechanically illustrated, before large gatherings of government and Mission schools in Amoy and Chiang-chiu, urging specially the need of education to save China. A visit from Rev. C. Inwood, a Keswick leader from England, was the happy privilege of the Amoy churches after he had stirred our sister church in Formosa and just before he began meetings in the Swatow field to the south of us. He held three meetings with the missionaries for the deepening of spiritual life and six meetings with the Amoy churches. In a parting service with the Amoy pastors and leaders just before he went aboard his steamer, they showed very deep affection and manifested how deeply he had impressed them in his six days' visit. And last but not least amongst the visitors who helped the church is the Deputation of the Board that met with us at the Chinese Synod and addressed various churches, as the Chinese put it, with "golden, jade words."

BOARD'S DEPUTATION.

The great event, also, for which the year 1916 will be remembered by the Mission was the visit of the Board's Deputation, consisting of the Rev. W. I. Chamberlain, Ph.D. and Mrs. Chamberlain, and Rev. W. B. Hill, D.D. and Mrs. Hill. They arrived in Amoy Dec. 23, 1915, and left Jan. 21, 1916. During that time they made visits to all the four stations of the Mission where missionaries are resident, and several other places besides, using every available means to save time and see as much of the work as possible. Neither rain or inclement weather, nor the discomforts of very primitive modes of travel stopped them in their zeal to see the various activities of the Mission. From the public meetings of Synod to private interviews with our own or other missionaries or with Chinese workers, they were always asking and learning; and at night when possibly the missionaries had already retired, the diligent Secretary was still busy putting

down in his notebooks the results of his investigations. After seeing the work, they met with the Mission in its annual meeting for a discussion of our problems, and at that time, as well as in private interviews with individuals, imparted much inspiration and helpful advice. Not only is the visit a bright spot in the memories of the members of the Mission who enjoyed the privilege of deepening their friendship with them amidst the surroundings of their field of labor, but the better understanding they thus secured of our conditions will prove of inestimable value to the Mission and the Board, and already we can point to benefits resulting from the visit, in action that has been taken.

SYNOD AND OTHER UNION MEETINGS.

The Chinese Synod comprising churches founded by the English Presbyterian Mission and our own, and in which the ordained missionaries are courteously given a seat, met on Dec. 19, 1916 and finished at 10:30 P.M. on Saturday night Dec. 23rd. The question as to whether it was right to appoint women as deacons, which had been discussed in 1915, was taken up, and permission given to churches to have such deaconesses with certain limitations in their powers and duties. Much of the time of the Synod was taken up with an appeal case in a matter of discipline in the Chiang-chiu church and altho many grave fears as to a solution being reached prevailed among the members before the meeting a satisfactory solution was harmoniously reached after much prayer and the grace of God signally manifested in the forbearance and love which those deeply concerned in the matter showed throughout. In July the three Missions in this region held the usual Summer Conference for the discussion of our common problems in Talmage College Chapel. The Conference has for many years served a good purpose in giving us a better understanding on the work of other Missions and guiding action along lines where our activities closely touch one another. Members of the three Amoy Missions also conducted a joint conference for their Chinese preachers for one week, at

which studies were taken up on the subject of Prayer, the Parables of Jesus, and in the Books, Acts, Ecclesiastes, and Psalms.

Y. M. C. A.

The Y. M. C. A. has continued to be a help to our work, not only in the opportunities it offers church members for service, but also in the help the churches have received directly from the work of the Secretary, Mr. Elliott. He has worked with us in the evangelistic effort to follow up the Eddy campaign of 1914-1915, and frequently spoken in our churches to urge some phase of this work. The Chinese Secretary, Mr. C. J. Wong, has been a valuable co-worker, and especially by his good work in interpreting addresses in English and Mandarin has done the church great service. The National Committee has just honored him by sending him to America for a year of study and investigation. Since he is the son of a London Mission pastor of this region we are specially happy over the opportunity given to a local man. A physical director, Mr. J. Bradshaw, came out in the autumn to look after the Association's physical education department and do this work also in two non-Christian schools in Amoy who are helping to pay his salary.

CHURCH MESSENGER.

At the beginning of the year it seemed as if the ministry of this bi-monthly publication in Romanized were to suddenly cease. Miss Symington of the English Presbyterian Mission felt she would be prevented from continuing the editorship on account of itinerating work to which she must give herself. Because of the pressure of school work and routine duties that could not be set aside it seemed at first as if none of the Amoy missionaries could use the exceptional opportunity of influencing 1420 families every two weeks through the paper. Finally Miss Ogsbury agreed to assume joint editorship with Miss Symington, and so the paper founded by Dr. and Mrs. Talmage has gone on realizing the hopes of its founders and added another year of widespread service.

CHILDREN'S HOME.

Another of the very valuable activities lying just outside the regular round of Mission work is the Children's Home that has been carried on so many years by ladies of our own and the English Presbyterian Mission. Thirty-three orphaned and homeless children were cared for during the past year. The money received at home for the Baby Roll is applied to this object. One boy who was getting too old to be there in so large a family of girls was adopted by a man in one of our Amoy churches who had recently lost his own son. One of the older girls who had been out teaching was married just at the end of the year to a son of one of our preachers, a graduate of Talmage College. Four others have been teaching and another is about to begin. Two are going out to study nursing. So they are all preparing for usefulness. Only one new member was received during the year, the child of a preacher's widow in Tong-an, whose mother suddenly died from what seemed to be plague, leaving a large family. The youngest child being a girl was not wanted by the relatives, who were all heathen, so this three year old tot came into the Home.

REFUGE FOR SLAVE CHILDREN.

Several of our ladies have given their support to this Refuge, and by interest and advice assisted its trustees. As long as the traffic in children continues there is great need for this Refuge. A ship bound for Amoy, but obliged to return to Shanghai for repairs, was found to have on board when it put to dock, 72 kidnapped children who were to be sold to Amoy Chinese. There were 21 children cared for by the Refuge during 1916, of which one ran away, one was married, several were returned to their relatives, so that ten remained at the end of the year. The matron has taught all of these ten (except one blind girl) to read Romanized, and several of the girls will be in school in 1917. The work of rescuing these fallen and unfortunate ones is especially deserving of our sympathies and prayers.

MISSIONARY STAFF.

Several changes took place in the missionary force during the year. Mrs. P. W. Pitcher left for America in January; and soon after, Rev. and Mrs. A. L. Warnshuis went to take up their new work in Shanghai. At the end of January Miss Ogsbury returned from furlough and at once began work in the Girls' School, Kulangsu. She brought with her Miss E. C. Boynton, a very welcome addition to our staff. A few days later Rev. and Mrs. S. Day and children arrived and went to make their home at Chiang-chiu, which Rev. and Mrs. H. P. De Pree had left to take up work in Amoy. Tong-an deeply regretted the return to America of Miss Vander Linden on furlough in April, and warmly welcomed Miss Green when she returned from America on Sept. 30. The same steamer brought us Rev. and Mrs. L. A. Talman. They proceeded on the third day to Tong-an, where they began the study of the language. Miss Morrison was accorded a hearty welcome when she arrived at her station in Chiang-chiu early in November, and Rev. and Mrs. H. P. Boot and children were greeted on their return to the field, Dec. 29th, by the whole Mission just then in session in Amoy. So the year shows several red letter days, owing to the return of missionaries or the arrival of new recruits. Nevertheless, when the list is carefully studied it appears that the addition to the staff is slight. In fact the number of ordained men connected with the Mission (excluding Dr. Warnshuis who is resident in Shanghai) is two less than it was in 1911 or 1912. Shifting people from one station to another has been made necessary because of the insufficient staff on the field. As there was no doctor in charge of Hope and Wilhelmina Hospitals who could speak the language Dr. Snoke was brought to Amoy at the beginning of the Summer, and in September Dr. Bosch moved up to Sio-khe to take charge of Neerbosch Hospital.

AMOY DISTRICT.

The Amoy District is the name applied by the Mission to the territory comprised in the islands of Amoy and Kulangsu,

in which the city of Amoy forms the prominent center. Amoy is about 300 miles northeast of Hong Kong, and was one of the first five treaty ports opened in China. It has one of the best harbors on the coast. The population is estimated at 150,000. Across the harbor from Amoy, which is situated on the island of the same name, is the little island of Kulangsu, an international settlement. Here our missionaries live, and also those of the English Presbyterian and London Missions. With these two Missions our Mission carries on several Union Institutions, and with them we have from very early days divided the territory about Amoy and in the interior so that there is no overlapping. Amoy island, on which work is carried on, is about 8 miles in length and has 140 villages on it.

SUMMARY OF AMOY ACTIVITIES.

We have in Amoy city two old churches, Sin-koe and Tek-chhiu-kha, and a newer one, Khoe-hoa. These are self-supporting churches having their own Chinese pastors. They also carry on work at two places on the island and main land, bearing the expense themselves. On Amoy island is another pastorate known as the O-kang church, comprising three places of worship which together have supported a pastor. On Kulangsu preaching services are held every Sunday in what is known as the Douglas church, missionaries of our own, the English Presbyterian Mission, and Amoy city pastors assuming responsibility for the services. But there is no church organization, as the attendance is very largely composed of pupils from the schools. No pastoral work is done and a resident pastor is much needed.

EDUCATION.

The churches in Amoy and on Amoy island with the exception of Na-au all had their Boys' School. Khoe-hoa had a Girls' School in addition, and Sin-koe and Tek-chhiu-kha had both Kindergarten and Girls' School. On Kulangsu there is a Boys' Primary embracing according to the government schedule a seven years' course, and Talmage College. The Talmage College Course

extends over 6 years, the first four being known as the Middle School course. Mr. Renskers had charge of both of these institutions. Miss Duryee is the principal of a Girls' School on Kulangsu, with courses extending over 9 years, and enrolling 287 pupils. Three of the ladies give a great deal of their time to this fruitful and promising field. Miss K. M. Talmage has charge of the Kulangsu Woman's School with some forty women in attendance. Rev. H. P. De Pree teaches in the Union Theological College, which is under the joint control of the three Missions here, each of which provides one member of the faculty and a third of the running expenses.

MEDICAL.

On Kulangsu, on the water front, in a very conspicuous place, stand Hope and Wilhelmina Hospitals. The latter, built especially for women, is supported by friends in Holland. Through the generosity of the Chinese both Hospitals have recently been very much enlarged. A dispensary is also conducted on the Amoy side near the Tek-chhiu-kha church. In addition to the work in the Hospital, the doctors have looked after the missionary community and all the school pupils of the three Missions on Kulangsu.

WOMAN'S WORK.

Besides the school work much visiting is done in the homes. Sunday meetings are held with the women in various churches and Sunday school work assisted in. Seven Bible women work in the Amoy District.

THE YEAR'S WORK.

CHURCH AND EVANGELIST.

Sin-koe, the oldest church in Amoy, received during the year fifteen new members. Bible classes were held for persons whose interest was won at the time of the Eddy campaign, so as to prepare them for church membership. Some of the church

members have shown very commendable zeal, going out two nights a week for cottage prayer-meetings, and following their supplication by practical application in preaching to the heathen. In a temporal way the church also shows signs of prosperity. A new pulpit platform and a choir loft (the first seen here) add to the attractiveness of the interior. A fine three story building was built for school and kindergarten purposes. There is still considerable debt on it. They had hoped by sending one of their two preachers to the Straits Settlements to raise money from Chinese and clear the debt, but the plan failed of very successful execution because of the revolution.

Tek-chhiu-kha, the second church, Amoy, added 24 new members during the year. The interest in Bible Study has also been very encouraging. This church always furnished the largest contingent attending the Bible Study leaders' class, conducted by Mr. De Pree, although they were farthest removed from the place of meeting.

The Khoe-hoa church is finding its building too small, although the church was only erected a few years ago. Through the generosity of one of the members a new school building is also being erected beside the church.

Most of the evangelistic work on Kulangsu is done in the schools, and the homes of the pupils. Much could be done here; but because the Douglas church where the services on Sunday are held is too small to accommodate the audience, many have felt it useless to invite people to church. Efforts are being made to secure a site for a new building and also to secure a pastor who can give his attention to the work on this island.

EDUCATIONAL.

The year 1916 has seen a larger attendance in nearly every one of our schools. Miss Duryee writes of the 'Girls' School:

"Again the school has grown. 340 names all told are on the roll. 287 the first term and 286 the second. There is a great leakage in the younger classes, as many of the pupils come as day scholars from non-Christian homes but of 109 girls in the

five upper classes only nine failed to return after the summer vacation (one was married against her own desire). This goes far to prove that once fairly started in school the girls like to go on.

In February, Miss Ogsbury returned to China and has been a welcome addition to our school force. The head teacher, Mrs. Sui Soat, is still with us but there have been several changes among the other teachers, and we face additional changes at the close of the year. Two or three factors make it difficult to retain teachers for a long time. One is the custom of early marriage for the girls, though Amoy is far more conservative in this respect even than Foochow. Another is the **growing** demand for teachers in non-Christian schools which promise much higher salaries than we could think it right to give. And a third reason is the small but growing number of girls who desire to keep on with their studies.

Forty girls have been admitted to church membership. Two have been married.

A class of ten were graduated in June and received the much-prized diploma of the school. Of these ten, three had been sent to us for their finishing years from other Missions, and since their graduation have been teaching, one in the L. M. S. Girls' School at Hui-an, one in the E. P. Girls' School in Chin Chew, and one in a Day School in the outskirts of Amoy. Of the remaining seven, two stayed on in the school for special studies, one went to teach in our Sio-khe Girls' School, and four have taught in our own school. Of these four, two are from non-Christian families, and while professing Christianity themselves, they are afraid to ask for baptism because of the determined opposition of their families."

The Principal of Talmage College, Mr. Renskers, reviews the year's work as follows:

"The work of the past year in Talmage College has been marked by intense interest and continued growth and advance. The Chinese teaching staff, last year numbering seven, was increased by two, Mr. E. S. Cy, a returned student from America

and holding a B. A. degree from the University of Michigan, and Mr. C. H. Lim, a recent graduate from St. John's University, Shanghai. The foreign force because of the depleted missionary bodies, consisted of only three members, one of whom, the principal, gave about three-fourths of his time, while the other two each gave five or six hours a week to the institution.

"The first term opened with eighty-seven students, the second with eighty-one, an increase of twenty-four per term over last year. The enrollment on the basis of Missions is as follows: R. C. A., 48; E. P. M., 13; L. M. S., 15; unclassified 5. During the year the average attendance was over 99%.

"Another source of gratification is the increase in fees, both tuition and boarding. The former amounted to \$1888, the latter to \$1899, a total of \$3787, an increase over last year of 137%, due to raising of fees, increased enrollment, and compelling a large percentage of the students to pay a larger part of their education instead of depending upon help from the Mission. Furthermore it was made the rule that all fees must be paid at the beginning of the term, and there has been little difficulty in the enforcement of the rule. The Boarding Department has cost a little less than \$2,000, all of which, with the exception of \$100, was covered by Boarding fees. The cost of the school was \$2519.07 more than last year, but to the Board an increase of only \$50.

"In line with the government plan of education the year previously known as the eighth primary was made the first of the Middle School department. Also in the College department an additional course has been added, making it possible for a student to obtain more English and later go elsewhere to complete his education, or by taking pedagogical subjects prepare for teaching.

"To provide the extra class-room necessary, a one-story four room structure has been built and equipped for teaching Chemistry and Physics. Only half of the College grounds were available for sports. At a cost of \$950 a retaining wall was built and the hollow in one corner of the plot filled in, so that a larger, more beautiful, and more level compound has resulted.

"In Athletics there was greater interest displayed than in any previous year. The Athletic Meet of the previous autumn was still in the students' minds, and they were bound to make a better showing next time. On Dec. 8, in the 2nd Amoy Athletic Meet they came out second among the six schools that entered, and one of our boys easily carried off the first prize for the best all-round athlete. There is a possibility of his being entered in the Far Eastern Olympic Games to be held in Tokyo in May, 1917.

"Another feature of the year's work in the rendering of the cantata, 'The Star of Light,' by 33 of the students, accompanied by a small orchestra. This was a wholly new venture, but the audience that packed the London Mission church, filling all aisles, windows, and entrances, showed how much it was appreciated.

"Special Bible classes of a voluntary nature met every Sunday morning, the normal class for this work being conducted first by Rev. H. W. Oldham and later by the principal. Dr. Bosch organized a Preaching Band, of which about 25 students became members and went out on Sunday in bands of three or four to conduct Sunday schools, preach or distribute literature. During the summer vacation three of the students spent five weeks preaching and selling literature. There are forty-two church members amongst the students."

The Kulangsu Boys' Primary enrolled 175 pupils the first term and 170 the second, thirty percent of the number being boarders. The school does not carry on the first grade of Primary work, depending on the kindergarten conducted by the English Presbyterian Mission for taking care of this class of pupils. In addition to his duties to Talmage College, Mr. Renskers had charge of this school and in his report regrets his inability to give it proper supervision. But there are also encouraging features, for he continues:

"The Boarding Department has usually run behind financially. But this year the account was closed with a small surplus, owing to the fact that all students paid their board in full. The school has been fortunate in getting a graduate of Talmage Col-

lege on the teaching staff in the person of Mr. Beh. His presence has helped the esprit de corps among the teachers, and he has especially tried to interest himself in and be helpful to the students individually. During the year the majority of the pupils attended the Sunday school in the London Mission church on Sunday afternoons. Two were church members. It is interesting to note also that of the graduating class of 14, ten entered the Middle School Department of Talmage College."

A review of the work of the Woman's School, which has been so useful in training Bible women and leading many women to the Christian life, causes Miss K. M. Talmage to write:

"The year has been one of especial encouragement. The teacher, Mrs. Khi, who is also the matron of the school, has given much satisfaction. Her interest in the spiritual progress of the women has been very manifest. Most of the women, both old and young, have taken an interest and done well in their studies. We had forty-two pupils in the spring term and thirty-six in the autumn. The enrollment for the year was sixty-eight. This year, as formerly, we have been assisted by one of the ladies of both the English Presbyterian Mission and London Missions, each giving one morning a week to the school when in Amoy. Mrs. Kip has been a great help to us in the autumn term; in the spring she went to help the work at Tong-an.

"Many of the women have gone back to their homes able to read the New Testament and to repeat many of the Bible stories in the Old and New Testaments. They have learned to pray and have given their testimony that they will serve the Lord Jesus. Four women who were with us last year were employed as Bible women this year, two in connection with our Mission.

"Since the Women's School was opened in 1885, a thousand pupils have been enrolled, the greater number have learned to read, and, what is far better, many have learned the way of life through Jesus Christ and are bearing witness for Him."

In the Theological School, Mr. De Pree has taught during the year together with representatives from each of the other

two Missions. Our own Mission had only one student in the school and he only remained one term. We had one young man finishing at Nanking Theological School, but at the end of the year he was the only one we had of the total number of 11 students Amoy had in the two schools. Work was given him at once after he had completed his studies, and similarly three students whom the Mission had sent to the English Presbyterian Bible School at Chin Chew, because our present force made it impossible to give them a third year at Chiang-chiu in the Bible School there, were at once appointed by the Preachers' Committee of Synod to places of work. Enquiries are constantly made as to when we shall reopen the Bible School at Chiang-chiu, and we hope that re-enforcements may soon make it possible to continue a work so fundamental as that of training workers.

MEDICAL.

Dr. Snoke says of this branch of Mission work on Kulangsu: "The work of Hope and Wilhelmina Hospitals for the past year has been largely that of construction and reconstruction. The building contracts let in 1914 for the women's hospital, additions to the administration building and men's hospital and for the rebuilding of the chapel have been completed at a cost of \$18,000 Mex. In addition, necessary changes, not included in these contracts, have been made at a cost of over \$3000. A contract let in November, 1915, for building a kitchen, boiler room, and laundry has also been completed at a cost of \$1500. Machinery consisting of a boiler, water heater, engine, washing machine, steam pump and steam cookers, ordered August, 1915, has been received and installed. The contract for electric wiring has been let and the work is nearing completion. This will enable us to care for any night emergency work.

"In spite of the fact that our work has been that of construction, we have carried on the work of the United States Public Health Service in Amoy, and have also treated 961 women, 386 men in the out-patient department. We hope, very early in the new year, we will be able to open the hospital as far as

the present staff will permit. The plant is a large one and when complete we shall be well equipped. It is hoped it will not have to stand idle for lack of men to do the work."

WOMAN'S WORK.

The single ladies resident on Kulangsu have all been active in the evangelistic work on the islands of Amoy and Kulangsu. Miss M. E. Talmage says of the work done:

"The churches and out-stations on Amoy island, nine in number, have all been visited several times. These visits mean meetings in the churches with the Christians and new hearers, on Sundays and week days; visits to the villages surrounding these stations sowing the seed in many homes. We try also to visit the homes of all our pupils as it is not only of great advantage to know one's pupils in their home life, but much evangelistic work can be done for their relatives and friends who are often heathen.

"The seven Bible women of our Amoy District, as also other Christian women, have done regular work throughout the year. Very especially earnest and faithful has been one, a former school girl, now the mother of eight well trained children. This woman each day sees her children start off for their different schools, and then so arranges her household affairs that she too can leave home some hours every day for evangelistic work. She has great faith in prayer. Her husband says she is up in the mornings before daylight for prayer and Bible study. A frequent expression of hers is 'Prayer is power.' The family have none too much of this world's goods, and she finds it difficult to make both ends meet, but her one desire is that all her children do the Lord's work. She is urging her son to enter the ministry and for this she prays. She said to him, 'I would much rather have you become a preacher of the Gospel with the small salary that would mean than to have you go into business even if you could earn ten thousand a year.'

"In connection with the general China Evangelistic Campaign for the new year, plans have been made for special meet-

ings for heathen women to be held the first week of the Chinese New Year in eight of our Amoy churches and chapels connected with the three Missions working here. There are to be two meetings on consecutive days, in each church and chapel, and three speakers at each meeting. Three of our former school girls, now teachers, hearing of this movement, consulted together to see if these meetings could be duplicated in the four chapels on Amoy island where their homes are. So altogether during the first week of the year in twelve of the churches and chapels on Amoy island and Kulangsu evangelistic meetings for women are to be held. One of the causes for rejoicing is that most of the speakers are Chinese women, fifteen of the twenty-five being our Developing Character girls, now serving as Bible women, teachers, and wives of preachers. Outside of the meetings, arrangements are being made to urge every Christian woman to do personal work, not only at the New Year but throughout the year. Blank books with stubs have been prepared to record name and church of each woman, and also the days or parts of days of each month she is willing to set aside for personal evangelistic work."

CHIANG-CHIU DISTRICT.

Chiang-chiu District takes its name from the city of Chiang-chiu which lies in a fertile valley 27 miles from Amoy. The city can be reached either by boat or by a railroad, which while completed for only half the distance provides boat services to Chiang-chiu from its terminal. Politically Chiang-chiu is important as being the seat of the Taoyin whose jurisdiction extends over seven counties. The Liong-khe county official also resides there. The population of the city is variously given as from 100,000 to 200,000. The London Mission has missionary residences, a hospital, and churches just outside the city. In much of the city work we have been able to be mutually helpful. Their district work lies in a different direction from ours which comprises stations in the three counties of Hai-teng, Liong-khe, and Lam-cheng. Including Chiang-chiu we at present occupy 15 stations and out-stations.

SUMMARY OF DISTRICT ACTIVITIES.

There are five pastorates in the district, each with its own pastor supported wholly by native funds—Chiang-chiu, Chioh-be, Thian-po, Soa-sia, Leng-soa. In addition to the services at these Central churches there are services and regular work is done at the out-stations connected with these churches, by preachers appointed by Synod's Preachers Committee. Each church has from one to four of such out-stations. During 1916 Mr. Day had oversight of the work connected with the Chiang-chiu, Chioh-be and Thian-po pastorates and Mr. Voskuil of that in the Soa-sia and Leng-soa pastorates. To reach the further stations requires at least a two days' journey from either Chiang-chiu or Sio-khe.

EDUCATIONAL.

The Mission makes an annual grant to a well-conducted primary school at Chioh-be, and has two members on the Board of Trustees in charge of the school. The efficiency of the school is due to the energy and wisdom of the pastor. At Chiang-chiu we conduct a Boys' Primary, of which Mr. Day has had charge in addition to his other duties, and in which Mrs. Day has also given valued service. Miss Norling has charge of a kindergarten conducted in quarters loaned by the church for the purpose. Until the return of Miss Morrison she also bore the responsibility of the Girls' School. Lower Primary Schools, providing four years of primary education are also conducted in Thian-po, Soa-sia, and Leng-soa.

WOMAN'S WORK.

Woman's Work has been carried on in the city as far as school work left any time to the missionary for such effort. One Bible woman also gave her time to Chiang-chiu and vicinity. But work in the country stations suffered very much from the insufficient staff to look after it by itinerating or assisting the lone Bible woman working in one of the country stations.

THE YEAR'S WORK.

CHURCH AND EVANGELISTIC.

In February Mr. Day came to Chiang-chiu, to a community and body of church workers who were strangers to him. He soon got acquainted and fell in love with the District. He writes of his impressions as follows:

"The year's work may be divided into two halves. The first half was a time of great political unrest, which not only affected the Chinese themselves, but for a time all itinerating by missionaries, upon the advice of the American Consul, was discontinued. The special feature of this part of the year was the visit of Mr. David Yui of the National Y. M. C. A. His lectures were given in a large Confucian temple, as there was no church large enough to hold the meetings. They were attended by pupils of the government schools, including Primary, Middle and Normal schools, and also the pupils of the London Mission and our own schools. The government officials gave their support to the campaign and aided in making plans for the meetings. Although these meetings were under the auspices of the local Y. M. C. A. the missionaries and churches had a large part in the work. Over two thousand people enjoyed the benefits of these lectures on education.

"In the fall our main effort was given to evangelistic work. Miss Norling took a trip during which special work was done among the Soa-sia churches. Mr. Day spent the greater half of the time in a number of trips, during which a series of special evangelistic meetings were held in five of the churches of the district. The meetings lasting about ten days in each place, were very helpful to the missionary in charge, to the pastors and preachers participating, and to the churches themselves. Especially noteworthy is the abundant opportunity for wide-cast seed-sowing among the thousands of villages that surround our churches. The special event of the fall was the visit of Pastor Ding Li Mei. There were union meetings held in the three churches of Chiang-chiu city and services were held to minister

to the needs of three classes of people, the church members, the pupils of the schools, and the pastors and preachers of the district of both our own and the London Mission. Pastor Ding's talks were mostly upon service and the cultivation of the devotional life of prayer and Bible study, and were inspiring and helpful to missionary and Chinese as well."

The Chioh-be church is one of our oldest churches and the pastor, Rev. Ang, one of the leaders of the church in the Amoy region. In this progressive little city, the first inland place in this region to install a city electric light plant, there are fine opportunities for work. Evening classes were held every night at the church for winning young men and were well attended, the pastor and teachers of the Boys' School giving their services at the end of a busy day's work. The white ants have done great damage to the church and one of their pressing problems is how to secure money to rebuild. The work at Hai-teng, where the county officials live, has continued, but the conditions are difficult and progress is slow.

In addition to the work in his own district, Mr. Voskuil also had charge of the Soa-sia and Leng-soa churches. He narrates the following:

"The Soa-sia church has been the proud possessor of a new pastor and he has made a very energetic attack on the situation. He started off by getting a school teacher, and in spite of a late start had a school that was worth while. He took stock of his church and found that the church had as many pupils studying elsewhere in other and higher schools as it had at home in its own, and he was encouraged. He started a quarterly preachers' meeting for the preachers in his out-stations, and it promises to unite them in a feeling of good-will and joint responsibility in the parish. There has been an addition of eight members to the church. The three out-stations of the church have been supplied again, where the year before only two of them had preachers. So far as one may judge from results the work has been well done. The opportunities that are open and begging for someone to take advantage of them are so many as to stagger the most courageous.

"The Leng-soa church has kept its own for the year. The brethren have as before helped greatly in the distribution of the gospel light. A student from the Bible School spent the summer months in a mountain village, one of their stations, where they enjoyed his ministrations very much, as they had had only prayer-meetings the rest of the year."

EDUCATIONAL.

The Boys' School at Chiang-chiu has during the year at several different times been thrown into contact with the government schools in the city, all of which has developed a healthful spirit of rivalry. On the occasion of the celebration of the birthday of the republic, the schools vied with one another in appearing in a procession with the most attractive paper lanterns which they manufactured for the occasion. On the morning of that day all the schools of the city together attended a flag raising at which they saluted the flag, the officials of the city attending the festivities in foreign dress suits, stiff hats, and white winter gloves! There are many opportunities in connection with the school work unused, so that Mr. Day says, "The district needs a man who can give himself to the administrative work, the charge of the school, and city evangelism; so that the man in charge of the evangelistic work of the district can give his time wholly to that work. During the year special interest was taken in the Boys' School in athletics, and during the first term Mr. Day gave daily physical drill to improve the health and aid in the development of the students. The school distinguished itself by winning two different athletic events: one the championship of the eight primary schools of the city. The school enrolled over a hundred pupils each term."

The Chioh-be Boys' School continues to do good work with over a hundred pupils. The Mission gave last year \$360, where the total expenses of the school were \$1,769, the energetic pastor raising the balance himself from gifts and fees.

Ninety-one names appear on the roll of the Chiang-chiu Girls' School in 1916, of which 20 were from non-Christian families. Miss Morrison who writes the report, continues:

"At the beginning of the autumn term, four of the pupils who had finished the three years of the higher grade in this school went to Amoy and entered the highest class in Miss Duryee's school for a year of normal training, and three of them expect to graduate from that school next June. The fourth girl, who is a Mandarin's daughter and had always been a day pupil at the Chiang-chiu school, found the rules and restrictions of boarding school life too irksome, and returned home before the end of the term. In visiting the homes of some non-Christian pupils, it has been a joy and encouragement to hear several of the mothers tell how their little daughters would read or repeat them, in the evening, what they had learned at school during the day in their Bible lessons and urge them to pray and to come to church. Although Miss Norling handed over the supervision of the school to Miss Morrison when the latter returned from furlough, she has continued to give instruction in drawing through the second term, and Mrs. Day has given the girls a weekly singing lesson."

The Chiang-chiu kindergarten is only five years old, but Miss Norling says of it, using the figure of an impressive landscape: "It stands out very vividly among the shadows of heathenism—a very reflection of the 'Land that is fairer than day.' Forty-six children attended during the Spring term, but owing to sickness and boils and other reasons, only twenty came regularly in the fall. They have studied Chinese character and the three R's, aside from the regular Kindergarten course."

Mr. Day, as he sums up all the work in the District, says, "It has been a good year with us, but we are possessed with the idea that the best is yet to come. There have been many evidences of the blessing of God upon the work and we only regret that there are not enough of us to buy up the many opportunities that confront us."

SIO-KHE DISTRICT.

The district of which the village of Sio-khe forms the central station covers Peng-ho county, about 300 square miles in area. There are 11 chapels, comprised under four pastorates in

this District, besides two, Hong-than-poa and Tham-phoe, which are connected directly with the Mission, and not supervised by the native church because of the distance. The village of Sio-khe, where our missionaries live, is beautifully situated in a fertile valley, and is at the furthest navigable point of a river that connects it with Amoy easily, but owing to native methods of transportation not rapidly. A journey from Amoy must be made by sail boat for a good part of the distance and takes three or more days, although the distance is only 60 miles.

SUMMARY OF THE SIO-KHE ACTIVITIES.

The evangelistic work at the various stations is carried on by preachers appointed by the Preachers' Committee of Synod, except in the central churches of Ho-san, Poa-a, and Lam-sin, where native pastors reside. The Sio-khe church being at present without a pastor itself engages an unordained preacher.

The educational work of the district centers largely in Sio-khe where we have a Boys' School and a Girls' School. Schools are conducted at Ho-san and Poa-a for primary boys, but owing to the shortage of teachers and local conditions there are no others.

Woman's work has been greatly hampered by the fact that no Bible women have been secured thus far for this district. It is hoped that a Woman's School just begun may help to fill this need.

Neerbosch Hospital was built at Sio-khe in 1889, and medical work has been carried on there ever since, except at such times as a shortage in the medical force made it impossible. In 1909 a new hospital was built on the site of the old, under the supervision of Dr. Snoke, who is now succeeded by Dr. Bosch.

THE YEAR'S WORK.

CHURCH AND EVANGELISTIC.

The ordained missionary in Sio-khe must do considerable traveling to carry on his work, and Mr. Voskuil in his report,

takes us with him at once upon one of his trips, when he says:

"This year I took one of the longest journeys that I have yet taken, and I found it a very encouraging one. I was at one station which they kept going though they had no preacher, and they were not only not discouraged, but were earnestly asking for the privilege of opening another place as soon as we could find one preacher who could supply the two places. I next went to a station closed for some five years and I found there was still some fire in the ashes. The pastor wants very much to open that place again. At present we are able to give them only a colporteur.

"At our farthest station, Toa-khe, we have had the same preacher as for the last five years. He has new hearers every year and some people from new villages also. He tells you of the progress of the older hearers and of the losses sustained with interest. This year the work in that place has been made doubly difficult by the entrance of the Catholics who use methods that we do not sanction.

"At Am-au, one Sunday I asked the preacher if he had any hearers whom he thought could be recommended for admission to the Lord's Supper, and he immediately gave me ten names, with a few more who were not quite ready yet. I examined most of the ten and found they had advanced considerably in knowledge and several answered well as to their experience also. Siang-khe is the third and most flourishing of the out-stations of this church. It has now a membership of over thirty. This year they have raised half of their preacher's salary, and the attendance at services is very good. Their building is only a shop in which 60 people may gather comfortably, but which becomes very uncomfortable if 100 are crowded into it in hot weather. Coming on to the home station of this church there is less of encouragement. The pastor has been resigning for more than a year, and has now gotten his consistory to release him and Classis to acquiesce in the matter. He will stay for the present, but wants to spend most of his time away from here. This church had a net loss in membership of 17, just the net loss of this Classis.

"The Lam-sin church seems to maintain its own and not much more.

"At the out-station of the Sio-khe church, E-chay, we have a very good and diligent elder. This man is a vender of medicines and uses his influence for good as he goes about among the people. Last year two members were admitted, and this year two are accepted, ready for formal reception at the first opportunity. These opportunities sometimes come only every few months or perhaps twice a year. Here in the home station, Sio-khe, though we had no pastor, nor even a preacher, we had some pretty good services. One of the elders is teacher in the school. He has taken the burden of the services with the help of the other teachers and the hospital preacher. One of the bright things to record for the year is the way in which Dr. Bosch has taken up the Sunday school. This has put heart into the brethren and has helped a great deal. The Sunday-school had two special days—the first a sort of social, and the second Christmas exercises. At the latter the church was packed both afternoon and evening, and the audiences in the afternoon especially listened well to the Gospel messages given. The church during the year made three attempts to get a pastor, but all in vain so far. Good plans have been made for the observance of the China-wide evangelistic campaign this New Year.

"The pastor of the Haw-san church, who has been there now a year and a half, is a diligent and systematic worker. He has applied himself to the church rather than to getting outside people, and he has succeeded in making some impression on the task. One incident from the life of our people is illustrated in this church this year. A hearer died and as he was a prominent man in the village his burial was an important matter. Though he had not been admitted as a member he had a firm purpose in following Christ and he naturally gave orders that the funeral should be conducted by the church. On the day appointed the pastor and missionary went and it was only their presence, and even then with difficulty, that prevented the heathen worship from being engaged in.

EDUCATIONAL.

The Sio-khe Boys' School this year graduated its first class from the Higher Primary Department. The entire class of three are ready to go to Talmage College. This year some advance was made also, in having twice as many boys from outside Sio-khe as there were last year.

The Sio-khe Girls' School had the joy of enrolling a larger number of pupils this year than before. There were 52 the first term and 38 the second. And the women were formed into a woman's school besides, 15 attending the first and 8 the second term. Miss Zwemer writes:

"Two of the girls united with the church last spring, and during the summer vacation they were both exceptionally earnest and active in trying to lead others to Christ. Of one, the pastor told me that she answered the questions for admission to the church better than any man they had examined. This girl belongs to one of our small out-stations and she is the first woman to unite with the church there. She has already persuaded some women to give up idolatry and has taught them hymns, texts, and prayers in their homes, and two of them sometimes go with her to church. In all she says and does it is evident that it is the love of God that saved her that impels her to win others."

MEDICAL.

Neerbosch Hospital was in charge of Dr. Snoke during the first half of the year, and in the autumn Dr. Bosch went up to assume the responsibility. Dr. Bosch gives his enthusiastic report of the year's service, telling us:

"No less than 2,356 patients came to our out-clinics seeking bodily relief, many of them returning with a feeling, that the Christian's God in whose Name all this is done, is a great Well-doer indeed. 452 patients stayed in the hospital for a somewhat longer time, receiving, if their sickness allowed, better instruction in the way of life. A new feature is a definite class for teaching reading and writing in the Romanized, and the sending of women to the Woman's School for a few hours

a day. On account of the lack of nurses each sick person has some member of the family to take care of him while in the hospital. We also try to influence these people and enroll them in classes to learn to read the Scripture. One of the most important additions has been the installation of the electric plant. We certainly want to thank the givers who made this possible. Electric light in this part of the country is entirely unknown. So it has happened that practically every preacher whom I have invited to give a talk to the patients, uses electricity as an illustration."

Dr. Bosch finds that the patients are greatly in need of some competent nurses. We have no native nurses at all. To see a man tearing off sterile bandages is no unusual thing. To have to attend to all matters of taking temperature, bandaging, sterilizing, preparation of operating room, etc., one's self makes one's work less efficient and diminishes one's evangelizing power. Imagine yourself in a hospital with a heathen patient improving every day. He feels thankful and is a fit subject to receive the message. But you have no time to sit down and talk to that man individually about the great Healer who can heal soul diseases. That is the sad thing."

WOMAN'S WORK.

Part of the story of the work done for women as told by Miss Zwemer runs as follows:

"The first thing to report is the visit of Dr. and Mrs. Chamberlain and Dr. and Mrs. Hill which was such a joy and inspiration to us all. The school girls will long remember the addresses of the Deputation, and the girls still talk of the song in Telugu which Dr. and Mrs. Chamberlain sang. The next great event was the conference for women, superintended by Mrs. Snoke. More than a hundred attended. Every forenoon and afternoon for five days Mrs. Snoke gave a forceful Gospel message to the audience. Following this the Christian women went with me to the Girl's School for an hour of Bible study, while Mrs. Kip spoke to the new hearers and heathen. Every

evening we had an evangelistic meeting in the church. The school girls sang appropriate songs prepared by the teachers, and so all did their part.

"During the year all the out-stations have been visited—the nearer ones several times—and thus we keep in touch with those who have been in our schools and hospitals."

All the members of the District feel that there could be so many more of such results if more of the open doors could be entered and there were laborers who could make use of them.

TONG-AN DISTRICT.

Tong-an District embraces territory in two counties.

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES.

There are 15 stations in the District, two of which are at present financed and looked after by the Amoy churches, although the missionary visits them. They are soon to be turned over to the Mission. The other stations are comprised under three pastorates—Tong-an with 4 out-stations beside the central church; the Hong-san church with 5 places of worship; and the newly organized group in An-khoe county with 3 places of worship. The first two groups have pastors who reside at Tong-an and Eng-te-thau. The other places are all occupied by unordained preachers appointed by the Preachers' Committee of Synod.

EDUCATION.

At Tong-an a Boys' Primary having two buildings for dormitory and classrooms, and a teachers' residence beside, has the distinction of being the newest and best equipped educational plant of the Mission; and the minds and character of more than 160 boys are being developed here. Mr. Eckerson is in charge. There is also a Girls' School in charge of Miss Beekman with more than half a hundred girls, while under Miss Green's care are more than thirty women who have come to study the Bible

in the Woman's school. There are six Boys' Schools, in the District, over which Mr. Eckerson exercises supervision.

WOMAN'S WORK.

The itinerating to the more distant chapels has been done by the Misses Vander Linden and Green, although the nearness of a number of the stations to Tong-an makes it possible for Miss Beekman also to do considerable Sunday work in them, in addition to visiting in Tong-an as far as School duties leave time for it. Four Bible women have been working in the District.

THE YEAR'S WORK.

The year began auspiciously with the presence of the Board's Deputation who were there to exchange New Year's greetings with the Tong-an missionaries on the first of January. The Deputation set a good pace for the year's work as in the few days' visit they crowded all sorts of activities—attending church and school entertainments, visiting four schools and chapels in addition to the Tong-an institutions, wielding Chinese substitutes for spades to break ground for the new Principal's residence, conferring with missionaries and native workers; and by it all in connection with the helpful addresses delivered and deep interest shown, they won the title, "people who get hearts."

During the spring, the revolution against the establishment of a monarchy was accompanied by two days' fighting at Tong-an. Although few were killed yet it had its deadening effect on city life. No shops were opened, people stayed indoors, the city gates were closed, soldiers patrolled the city and shot whoever aroused their suspicion. Arrests were made on slight provocation, and the magistrate used the opportunity to fill his pockets with money extorted from relatives and friends of those arrested. Mr. Eckerson says:

"For some days the continual line of visitors at the church made it appear as if everyone of those in trouble in the city were coming to get the help of the missionary who was not afraid

of the soldiers and whom the soldiers did not dare to shoot. Then followed months of unrest, when bands of robbers kept the whole district in a tremor of fear. For several months more than half the population of Tong-an city fled for refuge outside the city, farther away from the country buildings. The city gates might be closed at any hour of the day and always closed very early in the evening. The general result was a complete disarrangement of Tong-an's life, accompanied by heavy business losses and universal dissatisfaction. The immediate effect of these conditions on our work was very large. It gave the church an unprecedented publicity and kept us before the people in a most favorable light. The officials protested that they had no desire to molest innocent law-abiding citizens and frequently asked us for testimony when anyone whom they arrested claimed to be a Christian. They told people that they knew the church to be a body of honest people of high moral standards, and also made it plain to everybody that aside from all other considerations it was a convenient thing to belong to the church when troubles came. Our difficulty then was to make people understand that becoming a Christian was more than registering a name and paying an admission fee. One village alone promised a weekly attendance of one hundred and eighty, and contributions sufficient to meet the local expenses if the Mission would send a preacher to open a chapel there. The delegation that made the offer also brought along a handful of silver coins as a gift to the missionary—just "to give him a drink of tea." They were told to begin by showing enough interest to walk to the nearest chapel for Sunday services and they sadly took their coins back home with them. The acquaintance of the church and missionaries was extended very widely, especially among the wealthier business men and the literary class. The merchants' association invited us to attend their public meetings and gave us places on the program when they were considering the welfare of the city. All this gave us an approach to men that we have long wanted to reach, but until now could not. The combination of bad business, uncertainty of life, insecurity of property, ostentatious corruption in the county offices, turned the

minds to the church which stands as an organization of people who are honest, unafraid, and patriotic. This is probably our banner year for the number of hearers who have come of their own accord.

CHURCH AND EVANGELISTIC.

Furloughs and building operations which prevented much touring, made such supervision as the missionaries should like to give to the churches impossible. But the native workers even when largely left to themselves have faithfully carried on the work and give much reason for gratitude to God. Describing the work at the farther stations in An-khoe county, Mr. Eckerson relates:

"The year at Poa-nia has been a time of sifting and the real Christianity of a few choice members there stands out in happy contrast to the sad inconsistencies and little interest of the others.

"At the neighbor chapel Sai-pi, the heathen have made the life of the preacher and his family miserable, he has lost enthusiasm, the brethren became discouraged, almost nothing has been accomplished but moans. The preacher has resigned.

"The Chhoa-chhu-che Chapel has been one of the brightest spots in the District this year. They themselves have undertaken repairs and improvements that ordinarily would scarcely have been thought of without the missionaries' suggestion. They have subscribed money and work beyond anything ever known there before. The preacher and his mother, working as a Bible woman, are becoming splendid leaders, and have secured the deep loyalty of that congregation. They were even able to start a girls' school which the preacher's wife taught. An hour and a half away from them is the village of Chhiah-nia, an important center and junction of "big roads," famous for the number of its literary men, a place that has proudly resisted all attempts to introduce Christianity. The preacher has been able to induce one of the leading men to allow him to send some newspapers to his schoolroom and thus start a sort of reading-room. If we

can drop seed into that tiny crack the village will soon be blossoming for Christ."

Coming to the nearer churches in Tong-an county, Mr. Eckerson still finds a great many things in the work of the handicapped preachers to encourage. "For fifteen years To-kio has been a dead station. This year has seen a progressive rejuvenation under the leadership of a preacher who has been considered scarcely more lively than the church. The human impetus has come largely from a man who has been coming to church so short a time that he is not yet admitted to membership. There is scarcely a Sunday that new hearers are not brought in. The preacher has experienced a deep reviving and is doing more hard work than anyone ever thought he could do. During the early fall they planned a campaign on moonlight nights to reach every village near them. The preacher has often called on the missionaries but they have been able to give him almost no assistance at all; and the moonlight campaign lasted only a few months. Some years ago many of the members of the To-kio chapel yielded to the temptations of the profit of opium raising and suffered excommunication or suspension. This year has seen almost everyone of those still alive return to the church. In To-kio they have more nearly succeeded in developing a real Sunday school than in any of our chapels. To relieve their dire need of teachers a group of women from the Woman's School walked there every Sunday for half the year to help along. It is a walk of about three quarters of an hour, and women are not supposed to walk in China!

"Our Church at Tong-an city is situated in the village called Siang-chun-thau and with the above chapels constitutes the Tong-an church. The pastor resides here and it is by far the strongest part of the church, but it seems to be suffering from sclerosis of the soul. There is a great lack of real leadership; there is no persistent attention to new hearers to keep them advancing in knowledge and zeal; the cohesion of the congregation seems to be mainly formal and external, not real and spiritual. Yet new hearers are brought in; the congregational prayer-meeting is maintained, and the women's prayer-meeting

also continues and has a good attendance when the schools are in session. Because the church auditorium is not large enough to seat all the pupils of our boarding schools, the pupils attend in relays on successive Sundays, and services are also held in the schools."

EDUCATIONAL.

In the opinion of the missionary in charge the day schools of the District suffered even more than the church from inability to give proper supervision.. The need of this supervision was made the more manifest by a trip that Mr. Weersing, though still in his first year of language study, made through the District, since by giving the teachers the benefit of his special training through advice and consultation he showed what can and should be done. With a force insufficient to do this work it is unavoidable that there should be disheartening notes in the record of the work of District Day Schools. "In spite of our having assumed a protectorate over the Au-theh school it was left undeveloped. The people had agreed to omit their largest annual idol festival and let the church supply an entertainment to take the place of the usual theater; but then the missionaries were 'too busy' and the festival was held with the customary heathen performances. They held out their hands to be lifted out into the light of the Gospel, but, busy with other things that crowded their time, the missionaries failed them. At Chhoa-chhu-che the boys' school was managed so poorly that it lost its good name and most of its pupils. One of the most pleasing things about the Ang-tng school has been the improvement of the teacher. The school has been very small but that may be the not altogether unwelcome reaction after the great popularity that Christianity suddenly achieved in that village a few years ago. Toward the end of the year it became possible to put in a sort of manual training course with some industrial features. This has been most attractive to the people and they are urging that an industrial school or agricultural school be established at once. It seems quite reasonable to believe that here is our opportunity to follow the great examples of Hampton and Tuskegee. The Eng-

te-thau school again shows a record of good faithful work and the teacher was a great help to the pastorless church. At Chioh-jim several of the trustees are heathen, and at the beginning of the year there was a very awkward time when one insisted on hiring a teacher that was neither needed nor wanted. The main phase of the result was that it gave the Mission representatives a chance to assume a larger place in the government of the school. The Poa-nia school has shown the greatest advance. It has been graded, the attendance record has been greatly improved, and the pupils have made good progress.

"The Livingstone Easter School is the Boys' Boarding School for the District. It has had another good growing year. The attendance suffered on account of the disturbances. At that time many families moved out of the city. For several weeks the general excitement made it difficult to keep attention on books. During the fighting the school was hit by several rifle bullets, but no one was hurt. The officials protested that they would guard the school no matter what sort of a force of rebels might threaten the city and asked us to fly a Chinese and an American flag so that every soldier would know just where the school is. During the time of the disorder it seemed as though everyone in the city were sending their valuables to the school for safekeeping. The residence of Principal Iu Chheng-liam, a memorial to Mrs. Talmage, was completed and he will move in with his family at the beginning of the year. Some good friends from America, when visiting the school, saw something of its splendid chance to become a great good to the whole community and saw also its need of more rooms, and so presented money which is being used to put up a building to contain dining-room, kitchen, dormitory and more classrooms. And so building has gone on at the school all year. There are now at least five boys in the school earning money to pay part of their expenses."

The Tong-an Girls' School began the year with Miss Vander Linden in charge, but in April she left on furlough. Miss Beekman assumed charge, and Mrs. Kip came to Tong-an to assist. Miss Beekman was soon in the midst of new and exciting experiences due to the revolutionist' attempt to take Tong-an,

which brought disturbance for two days. She says: "When I heard the firing the first morning and saw the 'Southern army' on the hill right back of our compound, I was afraid that the girls would be frightened, but they kept remarkably calm through it all. In the subsequent confusion in the city, our schools were looked upon as safe retreats and the parents of day scholars were anxious to have them become boarders. This unrest during the spring term and the trouble due to the planting of the poppy and its attempted suppression during the fall term, have had their effect upon the school. This has been seen in the smaller enrollment, the higher prices of all provisions, and the inadequate fees."

The Tong-an Woman's School had many changes in management during the year, Miss Vander Linden, Miss Beekman, and Miss Green being successively in charge. The Chinese principal, who had since the opening of the institution faithfully carried on her work, also left, having been given work as a Bible woman at the place where her son is preacher. Miss Green reports that "the new principal is a very fine woman, the widow of old pastor Li, who was for many years the able pastor of the Tong-an church. Her experience and wisdom have greatly facilitated the running of the school, and we have had the blessed joy of no quarrels among the women. Although the women all come ostensibly to study the Bible, still there are infinite possibilities of disagreement, for formerly each woman had more or less freedom and was perhaps not well used to being under rules and regulations. Both during the spring and fall terms the school was full to overflowing, and there was not a place left vacant—so that we were forced to refuse some applicants. As usual, there were a few heathen who came because of sad hearts and who hoped to get peace in Christian teaching, but most of the pupils had been in school before—some for several terms, and all studied diligently and made fine progress. Each week some of the women have gone out with the Bible woman to visit or to preach in the city or the neighboring villages; and we feel that this taste of responsibility resting upon those who know the Gospel to spread it abroad among the ignorant will be an invaluable lesson for the women."

WOMAN'S WORK.

Miss Green soon after her return to the field began itinerating and taking up the work for women in the more distant as well as in the nearer stations. Faithful work is reported to have been done by the Bible women. Of the services these Bible-women render, Mr. Eckerson relates an incident as follows: "A village, Au-theh, said they wanted to come bodily over to the church. There was no preacher available for them. Chhu-kho, a Bible woman, was sent to spend a few days, but she so captured the affections of the people they wouldn't let her go. She is only a beginner in this work, and she went into the depths of sorrow recently at the sudden death of her only son, but she accomplished much. She was sent to work with the women and she did that; but the children came in so frequently that she taught some of them to read. She invited the women and children to come in every evening after supper, and soon so many men were coming too that the room given her for the meetings was regularly filled. Within a few months she had taught more than twenty to read the Romanized; and as many were following her example and regularly attending the nearest chapel—about an hour's walk away—the whole group of villages about there had some idea of what Christianity is. Under the influence of her companionship one woman gave up her use of opium. She did all this with but one visit from the missionaries."

THE ARCOT MISSION, INDIA.

The Mission occupies :

						Sq. Miles.	Popula- tion.
In the Chittoor District,	5 Taluqs (Counties)	and parts of 2 others				4,104	805,991
" North Arcot District,	7 "	" " part of 1 other				2,816	1,289,935
" South Arcot District,	2 "	" " " 1 "				1,017	529,669
" Mysore State,	1 "	" " " 1 "				340	75,788
Total	15 Taluqs (Counties)			5		8,277	2,701,383

Languages.—1,600,700, Tamil; 950,000, Telugu; 150,600, Hindustani; Kanarese, etc.

Missionaries.—Arni, Miss M. Rottschaefer, Miss E. W. Conklin. Chittoor, Mrs. J. A. Beattie, Miss S. TeWinkel, Rev. L. Hekhuis. Katpadi, Rev. B. Rottschaefer. Madanapalle, Rev. J. H. Warnshuis, Miss L. H. Hart, M.D., Miss H. W. Drury, Miss J. V. TeWinkel, Mr. J. D. Muyskens. Ranipettai, Rev. E. C. Scudder, Miss J. C. Scudder, Miss A. B. Van Doren, Mrs. H. Honegger, Dr. B. W. Roy. Tindivanam, Rev. W. T. Scudder, Rev. C. F. Stube. Vellore, Rev. L. R. Scudder, M.D., Mrs. John Scudder, Miss Ida S. Scudder, M.D., Mr. F. M. Potter, Miss H. M. Pollard, M.B., Mr. Mason Olcott, Miss Gertrude Dodd, Miss C. Durick. Madras, Mrs. J. H. Wyckoff, Miss C. C. Wyckoff.

Associate Missionaries.—Mrs. L. R. Scudder, Mrs. E. C. Scudder, Mrs. W. T. Scudder, M.D., Mrs. B. Rottschaefer, Mrs. B. W. Roy, Mrs. J. H. Warnshuis, Mrs. F. M. Potter, Mrs. L. Hekhuis.

In America.—Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Farrar, Miss A. E. Hancock, Miss D. M. Houghton.

Native Helpers.—Ordained Ministers, 19. Other helpers, men, 354; women, 215. Total, 569.

Boarding Schools.—Boys', 9, Scholars, 472; Girls', 4, Scholars, 353; Theological Schools, 1; Students, 28; Day Schools, 208; Scholars, 10,232. Total Schools, 224; Scholars, 11,085.

Hospitals and Dispensaries, 12. Patients treated, 96,793.

STATISTICAL REPORT

STATIONS.	Out- Stations.	Organized Churches.	Received on Confession.	Total in Communion.	Baptized Adults Not Communicants.	Baptized Children.	Total of Congregation.	Number of Sunday-schools.	Boys.	Girls.	Total of Scholars.	Native Contributions.
Arni	22	2	18	425	228	512	1,694	19	488	118	606	1,669
Chittoor	24	1	22	327	288	460	1,293	28	629	136	945	771
Katpadi	15	1	21	248	406	338	1,241	18	413	153	566	658
Madanapalle	14	2	15	220	333	479	1,150	17	516	257	773	1,216
Palmaner	1	1	1	49	18	34	110	3	30	30	60	213
Punganur	7	1	...	53	54	72	266	11	249	152	401	396
Ranipettai	37	2	32	702	649	926	3,197	39	781	941	1,722	1,860
Tindivanam	56	4	71	738	430	944	2,823	52	1,204	340	1,544	1,822
Vellore	25	3	45	661	470	798	2,295	31	988	428	1,416	2,301
Totals	200	17	225	3,423	2,876	4,563	14,069	218	5,298	2,735	8,033	9,906

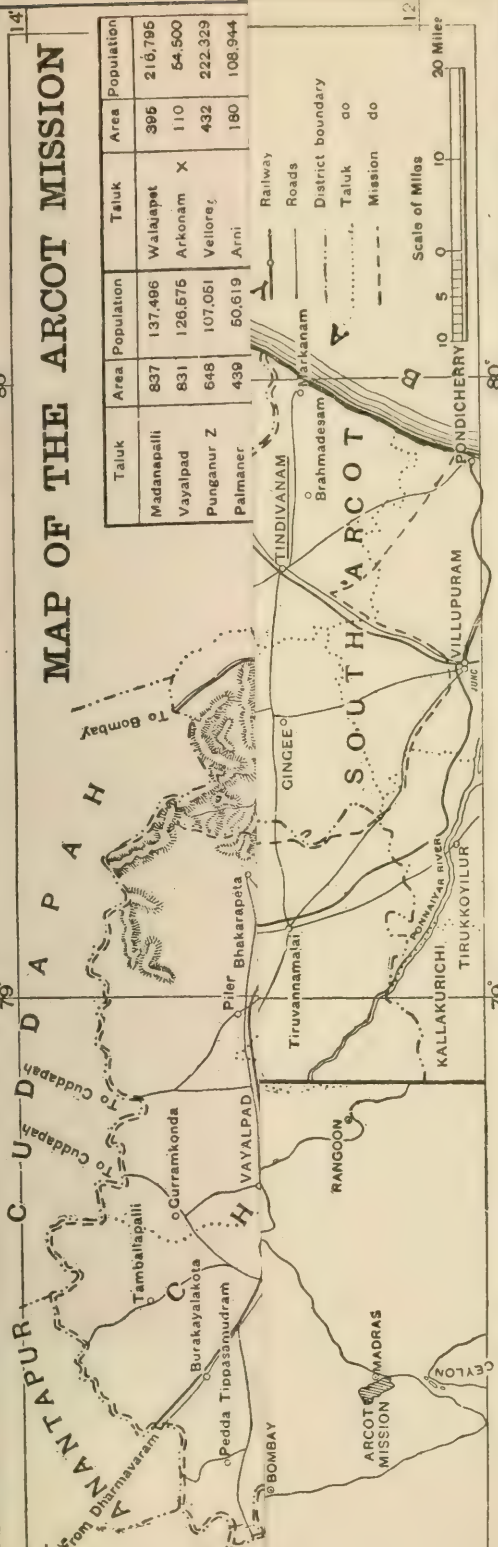


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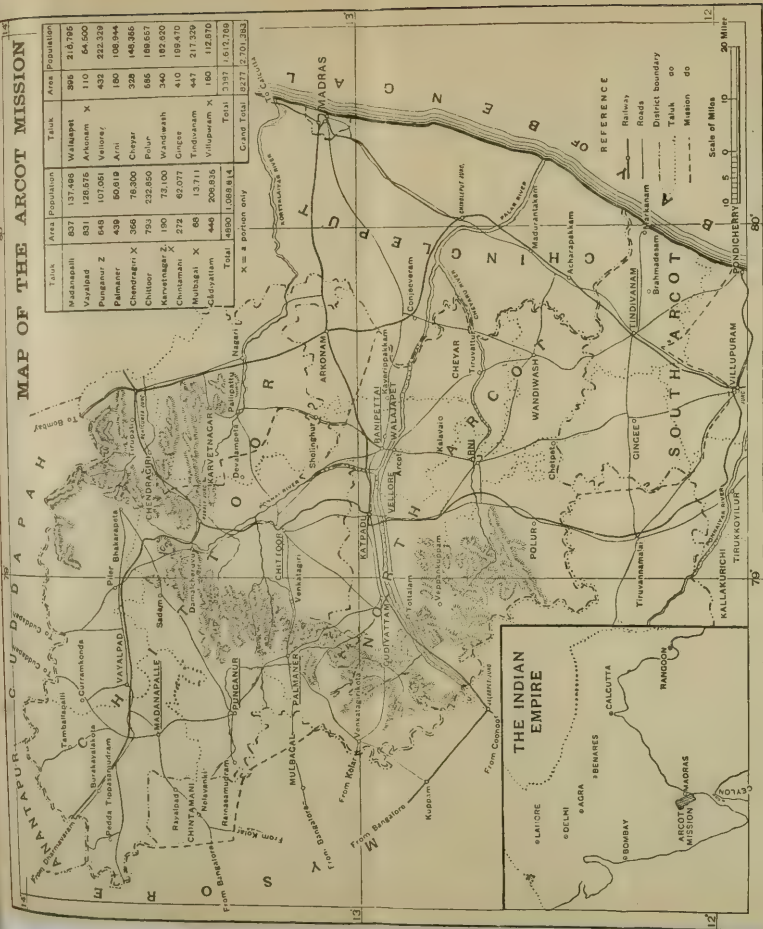
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MAP OF THE ARCOT MISSION

Tank	Area Population	Tank	Area Population	Tank	Area Population
Wardenslip	837	137,485	Willapark	385	218,785
Vizilap	831	128,675	Arkenam	110	64,500
Planner Z	648	107,051	Villori	432	222,339
Plemer	438	60,581	Arkenam	160	108,944
Chendragan	355	78,250	Plemer	328	148,386
Chendragan	355	78,250	Chendragan	365	188,657
Chilloor	723	232,650	Chilloor	340	182,820
Kervanagudi	190	73,000	Wardenslip	410	189,470
Chendragan	272	62,027	Ginge	647	217,259
Willapark	485	133,711	Tindusam	447	210,760
Willapark	446	208,835	Villapark	180	112,670
Chidrasam	446	208,835	Villapark	180	112,670
Total	1,008,914	Total	3,397,161	Total	3,397,161
Total	1,008,914	Grand Total	3,397,161	Total	3,397,161



REPORT FOR 1916.

In reviewing this year's work our joy at what has been accomplished is not commensurate with our grief over opportunities we have seen pass by, but were not able to take advantage of. The efficiency of our force, already inadequate last year, was further impaired by several members leaving on furlough and others being for a time either wholly or partially incapacitated for work. We had hoped for large reinforcements. In view of this shortage of forces it need little surprise the reader if we emphasize our regret that what might have been done has not been accomplished.

This year has again shown that, when there is a shortage of missionaries, institutional work does not suffer nearly as much as evangelistic effort. Notwithstanding this, an aggressive attempt at direct evangelism was made but "we have been somewhat disappointed that the gains this year have not come up to those of last year in this second year of the Evangelistic Campaign." This but emphasizes that for regular and sustained effort in evangelistic work also, the presence and direction of a missionary are not only desirable but absolutely imperative.

Our educational institutions have uniformly increased in efficiency as regards both secular learning and religious influence. In the Boys' High Schools especially has the change been marked, which proves beyond question the wisdom of the Board in agreeing to the Mission's proposal that young College men from America should assume charge of the interests of these institutions. Our medical work has continued to be of useful service to the sick and suffering.

An outstanding feature of the year is the visit of our Board's Deputation. Dr. and Mrs. William Bancroft Hill and Dr. and Mrs. William I. Chamberlain were most heartily welcomed in our midst. Everywhere was opportunity afforded them of getting a new and full insight into our work and its perplexities. Their

visit and words of counsel were to us a source of encouragement. We have every confidence to believe that they will, through the spreading of their first-hand knowledge among the churches and our constituency at home, increase the interest in our work.

The year 1916 will long be remembered by especially the more southern stations of our field as the year of the cyclone. The night of the 22nd of November was one of terrific winds accompanied by torrential rains. In Tindivanam and its surroundings unprecedented damage was done. Elsewhere throughout our mission field trees were uprooted or stripped. Here many irrigation tanks were breached, many of the native huts blown down or washed away, many buildings of substantial construction unroofed, thousands of cattle killed and as many as 957 lives lost. The morning of the 23rd November presented one scene of havoc and the distress that must naturally follow such a destruction by the powers of nature beggars description. Fortunately Government realizes the seriousness of the situation and everywhere relief is being given or planned.

THE INDIAN CHURCH BOARD.

This organization assumed its responsibilities in October, 1910, and "deals with the station and village churches, and the congregations and schools connected therewith," and directs "all agents therein." This year its work has centered very largely in the Evangelistic Campaign. Concerning this the Chairman, Rev. L. R. Scudder, writes:

"The Evangelistic Campaign has awakened a new spirit in many hearts. New methods have been inaugurated that have been helpful. If we could extend both of them indefinitely very large results must follow. But I must confess that I have been somewhat disappointed that the gains this year have not come up to those of last year in this second year of the campaign. But the year has been one of substantial numerical growth, second only to those of last year. Ordinarily we should have counted the gains as very good. But they did not come up to our ex-

pectations. However, considering last year and this together we certainly have made very substantial growth. In no two consecutive years have we grown so much. The following table will show the growth for the last six years grouped under two-year periods:

	1911-1912	1913-1914	1915-1916
Received on Confession.....	383	449	495
Gain in Communicants.....	11	181	266
Baptized during the year.....	1022	1295	1493
Gain in total congregation.....	722	731	1902

"The methods of work in general have been about the same. Special emphasis has again been placed on Bible study and Prayer. In many instances this has been done far more successfully than during the year before.

"The special feature of this year's work has been the effort to organize what has been called not very felicitously 'Rural Campaigns' in three selected places, viz., Madanapalle, Ranipettai and Tindivanam. These would more properly be called town campaigns. The purpose has been to survey the regions of these towns very carefully, and then to make special efforts to reach some special section of the large and practically untouched caste population.

"The efforts in Madanapalle were largely centred on the Balja, Boya and Maharatta castes. Previous to the first week of October, we held two weeks of preliminary meetings. The plan was not to hold single meetings for the entire town, but to arrange small ward meetings in convenient centres. Large crowds attended all the preliminary meetings. The people were puzzled at the activity of the Christians. Some signs of trouble occurred but the mass of the people responded in a most encouraging way. This response and welcome from the town people had their effect on our Christians who were stimulated to an enthusiasm that occasionally led to conflict with one another's plans. On Friday before the Campaign week a Telugu Drama of the Prodigal Son was presented in the town theatre. Admission was by tickets and instead of the usual gentry, officials and educated

classes, we had a crowd of coolies of low Indian castes. Women attended in large numbers.

"We finally arrived at the Campaign week. A subject had been assigned to each day's preaching. The mornings were devoted to work in the outlying villages and the evenings to town work. Daily prayer meetings were held in which the subject of the next day's preaching was outlined and reports of the previous day's work presented. Of course there was a falling off in our audiences and this discouraged some of our workers. Many others failed to grasp the fact that we must above all emphasize personal work and secure entry into the homes, the lives and friendship of the Hindus. On the whole, the work in the villages outside was more successful than the town work. Rev. Simeon Cornelius came to us towards the close of the week and gave us much help and inspiration. The final meeting of the Campaign was a mass meeting in the theatre. Though successful it was marred by several students who persisted in interrupting the speakers.

"In Palmaner the Campaign was undertaken also and the results were good. Palmaner divided 9 Mission workers and 32 volunteers into 9 bands. Selected places were fixed upon for work. Large crowds assembled to their preaching. Many of the church people gave their testimonies which greatly impressed the hearers. Some of these workers gave up their daily work and took part in the Campaign work.

"Punganur gave itself over to special efforts in the Campaign week, but here too the Campaign had not been so carefully prepared beforehand and had to be carried on without help or encouragement from the missionaries. The efforts brought in good results, however, and several converts and enquirers are reported in certain villages.

"When one enquires what is the final result of all this work, a certain amount of disappointment is met with. The effort put forth was so strenuous that it was inevitable that we should be left in the backwaters of a reaction period. However much emphasis was put on the idea of following up the advantages

gained, our newly won ground has not been consolidated. Actual results that can be tabulated are small. Yet it was worth while. Moreover, it is yet too early to ascertain what we accomplished. Among the most marked is the result of reflex influence upon those who participated in the campaign. When people have worked 'as they have never worked before,' the influence of that work upon their lives cannot be but for spiritual good.

"In the Western Circle the effort was largely centred upon the villages. The spirit of the Evangelistic Campaign grew deeper this year. Bible study classes, prayer circles, leaders' training classes and group conventions were more methodically conducted. Mr. T. Sitther of the Y. M. C. A., of Madras, held special classes for agents in which he gave methods of conducting Bible classes. The Pastorate Chairman took keen interest in the movement and most of the agents worked heart and soul. Mr. Aiyadorai Bhagavather conducted special meetings both for Christians and Hindus.

"Our Harvest Festivals this year have been of unusual interest. In good time before the festival season arrived arrangements were made to visit and stir up every Christian village and a very large number of Christians who had been specially prepared came from even remote villages to Gudiyatam and Ponnai Anicut, the two festival centres of the Circle. Heathen lads and men and women attended. The S. I. U. C. Missioner of the Campaign, our well-known brother, Rev. S. Paramanandam, was the speaker. The ambition of this servant of God that this festival should develop into a distinctly spiritual festival for our village Christians was more realized this year than ever before. It was a time of tears of joy when on the last day of the festival at the evening meeting a number stood up to confess Christ and receive baptism before the large crowd attending the festival. The Campaign call to Christians to win and make disciples went deep into their hearts. Many went home rejoicing and are trying to do in their villages what their Master has asked them to do. While special meetings were now and then held in the Pastorates with good results, the greatest interest was aroused by a number

of group conventions held in the different Pastorates to arouse the people to take an active part in the work of Evangelism. Men and women from villages within a certain area came together to pray with one accord for themselves and their brethren and neighbors and to listen to the addresses. The one outstanding feature of the year's work and of that of the great week has been to try to reach nominal Christians, backsliders, and non-Christian people in our occupied villages rather than going out for new villages. This has paid well. At least in the case of a few villages the day is not far off when all knees will bow together under the same roof before the same God. There is one pressing need of these Campaign conventions and that is that we want whole hearted men to follow up the work done in them."

Rev. W. T. Scudder, Chairman of the Southern Circle writes as follows:

In the Southern Circle the great value of the Campaign, it was learned, lies in the practice we are attempting to cultivate among the Christians of witnessing for Christ. Although the result may not be apparent yet the cultivation of this spirit is most valuable. A profitable use of Cinema was made in Tindivanam and its villages. Large numbers would attend the exhibitions and listen to the expositions of Bible truths. The comments overheard betrayed a keen interest in the Gospel story.

In the Eastern Circle the direction of the Campaign was entrusted more largely to the Circle Committee. "This has been well done in the Ranipettai and Yehamur Pastorates where organization of a high character is shown. The Pastors testify as to the good it has done to the people."

The Campaign has been aggressively pressed this year and especially during the so-called Campaign week. How sad that we must write that "here and there signs have crept in that the work was not properly followed up and the opportunity was lost for the time being; a graphic instance of our inability to care for the work in our charge with our present resources."

The Campaign has had its reflex influence upon the congregations. Where aggressive evangelism was duly pressed

there has been an increase in numbers and growth in grace. Our total Christian community now numbers 14049.

In our congregations, work for the young has not been as vigorously pressed as it should have been. In our Sunday schools "there has been a gain of 178 pupils but a loss of 3 schools and 14 teachers. Here we have not shown the gain we ought. Christian Endeavor statistics show a slight loss. There has been a decrease of Rs. 88 in contributions for benevolent purposes and a gain of Rs. 158 for congregational purposes. We can not but express the wish that the figures might have been reversed.

About our congregational work also centres the work of elementary education. Besides the congregational schools, the I. C. B. controls 4 Higher Elementary Schools. All these schools seem to have maintained their former standard of efficiency and the decrease in grant can probably be attributed more to the shortage of funds than to the lack of application on the teachers' part.

When the finances of the Board are looked into we discover that the expenditure on the congregational side totals slightly over 70% of the total expenditure, which leaves slightly less than 30% for the work of aggressive evangelism. This year the I. C. B. has overdrawn its account with the Mission by about Rs. 5000. Surely this figure calls for careful consideration and close scrutiny especially in view of the fact that the amounts received from home should be gradually decreased. Of the Rs. 15,402 raised on the field, a large percentage is received from school grants which must therefore be regarded as an income on the annual investment of the Mission in the work of the I. C. B. The balance was raised by contributions either levied or voluntary from our Christians. These figures would seem to indicate "that we have made little or no progress towards self-support in the work at large. This is to be regretted."

After a study of the conditions of the year the Chairman "feels that the year has been one of very large significance. It is big with promises of large things. If we only can plan largely and wisely and carry out our plans with enthusiasm and vigor

we should see in the near future large ingatherings. Indian initiative and leadership have certainly developed in a wonderful way. A new spirit is seen in many of our agents. Congregations have been awakened and many individuals aroused. An expectance is abroad among non-Christians. Signs of the extent and depth are seen on every hand. But we need more missionaries and I believe more funds to develop the work." Thus it will be seen that our hopes of expectancy are doomed to a repeated failure, either partial, as this year, or whole, unless our forces are augmented and the way is paved for aggressive evangelism whose results can be conserved.

STATION REPORTS.

Since the Indian Church Board report covers all of the congregational, congregational school and men's evangelistic work in both towns and villages, there remains only the men's institutional work and women's work to report.

TINDIVANAM.

The Crane Elementary School is the only Boys' Elementary School in the Mission bounds whose management has not been transferred to the I. C. B. This school is now in charge of a young Christian of energy and enthusiasm who has maintained the efficiency of the school. Sunday school has been conducted with considerable zeal.

DISPENSARY.

The Dispensary now has its own Bible woman who has personal talks with the in-patients and their relatives. A little higher mark has been reached in attendance this year. As necessity forced the doctor to be absent for about four months, large credit is due to the Indian nurse in charge. The monthly expenditures, exclusive of medicine, totals about \$7.25. Thus the price of a few concert tickets at home gives a chance of hearing

the Gospel to 500 people a month. As a result of the cyclone the dispensary building is now roofless, and our savings towards a nurse's home must be used to cover damages.

HINDU GIRLS' SCHOOLS.

There are two and the combined strength of both is 228. Most of the teachers in these schools are Christian women and in addition to teaching secular subjects they impart Bible instruction regularly. They also teach in the Sunday schools. The numbers attending the Sunday schools have been quite encouraging this year. Recently we opened a class for the mothers of the girls. A few of them came for two Sundays but the cyclone prevented any more meetings.

ZENANA WORK.

There are three Bible women including the one who does half a day's work in the Dispensary. In the houses visited there are always many hearers who drop in as casually as flies for the front door is always open. The children who flock in, the little girls usually carrying heavy babies, seem to forget everything while listening. Lack of space forbids giving many interesting details to show how in India, we go about establishing a point of contact. It may be a slow way of winning souls but it is sure as well as slow.

HIGH SCHOOL.

The Principal, Dr. C. F. Stube, reports a falling off in attendance in the lower classes. Eleven students were successful in the Government School Final Examinations last March, of whom six are now in College. A substantial shed for class rooms was erected but this as well as other buildings proved a mere toy for the cyclone. A substantial increase in Government grants is noted.

In connection with this school is a hostel for Christian boys. It was impossible to accommodate all who applied for admission.

The new policy of special tuition for the inmates of the hostel has been put on trial this year. The aim is to give our Christian boys every possible advantage. Last year none of the boarders were able to pass the Public School Final Examinations.

ARNI.

The Boys' Higher Elementary School still suffers greatly because of the lack of suitable accommodations. A legacy left to our Board and the promise of Government Educational authorities to consider an application for grant-in-aid make the future look brighter. Because of insufficiency of appropriations and dearth of suitable teachers the work has not been wholly satisfactory. The school is still in its infancy; the first class was graduated this year. A promising non-Christian boy who was admitted to the hostel during the year received baptism. Another lad who was baptized under similar circumstances some time back proved to be largely instrumental in winning his village to Christianity this year. Instances such as these make one feel the desirability of our encouraging the admission of non-Christians into our Boarding Schools.

HINDU GIRLS' SCHOOLS.

The Arnipalayam, Kosapalayam and Polur Hindu Girls' Schools have maintained the usual standard of strength and efficiency during the year. In Kosapalayam and Polur, the problem of carrying on School work has still to be met. We have been very glad of the promise of money toward a new school building for the Kosapalayam school. Although our appropriations are not sufficient for the other needs of the school, from this inadequate appropriation a large sum has had to go for rent every year. As Government is not paying grants until after the war and we have not sufficient money to build without the grant it has not been possible to do anything definite about a new building.

ZENANA WORK.

Three Bible women have worked in the zenanas of Arni during the year. The Bible woman is the one influence that connects the Hindu women with the outside world. Most of the women in this town are still ignorant of the hospital but many times during the year through the Bible women's influence some woman has been persuaded to go to the hospital for treatment. The Bible woman must also answer many questions about current events; she also teaches hygiene; but her chief work is bringing to the women a knowledge of a better life through Christ. The Bible women have aimed at that through the year and in the hearts of many a secret faith has been born. While three women have worked in the homes one has worked in the highways and hedges, bringing her message to hundreds of men and women in the streets, in the villages and in the fields. She often speaks of the power of prayer and many ask her to pray for their sick.

RANIPETTAI.

GENERAL HOSPITAL.

"Work has been more satisfactory than ever before. We are beginning to do work which is really worth while. The staff remains about the same as before. Our Government trained man is trying his best to fulfil our hopes concerning him. On my return from the Hills this year, I found the hospital in as good a condition as when I left it. The number of in-patients has been less than last year but this is due to the fact that those admitted were obliged to stay longer. Due to this many others were refused admission. Many seeking admission are maternity cases. For two months we had to close the maternity ward for repairs as the roof had fallen in. For this work a European nurse trained in obstetrics is much needed. Attendance at the dispensary has increased; some days the patients number more than 100.

"Before the coming of the rains we experimented with weekly visits to surrounding villages visiting two or three in an afternoon. Although we would treat about 100 persons in an afternoon, the number of listeners to the sermon would be far greater, probably close to 1000. The Surgical work has gradually improved, and we have had patients from neighboring cities which contain much better hospitals than ours. Our operation room and equipment is now such that we are able to do ordinary operations with great hopes of success. The income from the patients shows an increase of 45% over last year. Much of this came through the increased demand for private rooms, which have been filled most of the time and often engaged ahead.

GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL.

The end of the year 1916 marks one more step toward our goal of a complete Girls' High School for the Arcot Mission. Our Third Form of eleven girls is now an accomplished fact and we believe that three years more will see the addition of the 4th, 5th and 6th Forms, which will mean that our Mission girls will have the advantage of a complete educational system, beginning in the Infant Class and leading up to the Women's College in Madras.

The High School was begun with grave doubts in the minds of many as to whether our girls had advanced to a stage where they were ready to profit by its advantages. Mentally and morally their growth is far more rapid than I had expected. I will quote from the annual report of the Government Inspectress: "I consider that if properly staffed the school bids fair to become an efficient Girls' High School and will thus fill a most useful role in the North Arcot District."

The past year has been full of encouragement. The only shadow upon the year's happiness has been that cast by sickness and death. Four girls have left us, three through the dreaded typhoid scourge. One was rightly named "Sugunam" — "Good disposition." Her sweet face and lovely character still live in our memories. Another, a little girl in the Third Class,

was a child of special promise. We are told that through her delirium she talked constantly of the "Boarding" and quoted bits from her reader and her Bible lessons. When the last hour came, she called to her relatives, "You all stand aside. The Lord has come."

The religious life of the school has been quiet but I believe real. The Junior Endeavor Society has been divided into three parts thus giving more chance for the little girls to have a part in the meetings. Bible study classes in connection with the Evangelical Campaign have been held among the teachers conducted by Mrs. Honegger and myself. Two of the older classes have been entirely under the leadership of the girls themselves. The girls have taken an enthusiastic part in the active work of the Campaign, going with the Ranipettai women to the outlying villages. When school reopened after the September week of Evangelism, there was scarcely a girl, big or little, who had not some report to give of work done among the women and children of her own home or village. The older girls also attempted a little 'Welfare work' cleaning their homes, teaching neighbors' children to comb their hair and suppressing the use of bad language.

I cannot end this report without a look into the future. Several years ago we raised our voices in a weak appeal for a building which might be needed at some future time for a hypothetical High School. It is now no wonder that such an appeal for a building brought forth no response. Now the appeal is no longer weak nor is the High School hypothetical nor is the time of need future. We have come to the point when new buildings are an immediate and urgent necessity. The thatched sheds put up this year will not accommodate next year's new class. We cannot start Science classes because we have no room available for a laboratory. Two rooms are now being used as dormitories by night and class rooms by day. From now on our work will have to be done under hampering conditions until our supporters at home come to our help. Who will be first to make a paying investment—one that will return large dividends in the growth of the new womanhood of Christian India?

LACE CLASS.

The year just passed has seen advance in various lines. Our number has increased to 42 and many have been refused admittance for want of room and means. Two new lines of work have been begun, embroidery and crochet. The Bible class has had special attention, nearly two years being given to the study of God's book every morning. Drawing was only taught in the higher class last year; now it is taught in all classes. We are sorry to report no advance in the sale of lace. The war seems to have a disastrous effect upon its disposal. There are a number of widows trying to earn their living. Each widow lives in a small room 6 ft. x 8 ft. with a door but no window. This room serves as sleeping room, living room and kitchen. Their conditions are deplorable and we plead for a suitable building for our widows.

ZENANA WORK.

The report of zenana work for 1916 is not an encouraging one to write, for it is just another instance of the greatness of the harvest and the fewness of the laborers. Work among the Hindu women of large centres like Ranipettai, Arcot, Wallajah and Kaveripak demands much attention and has within it great possibilities of development. Instead of getting this attention this work has been a mere side issue receiving only such scraps of time and thought as could be snatched from the constant routine of school duties. Plague has made it necessary to give up this work in Arcot for a time. The Bible women have taken an active part in the Evangelistic Campaign. Three of them pre-faced the week of evangelism with extended tours among the surrounding villages.

HINDU GIRLS' SCHOOL, ARCOT.

It would be difficult to find a happier band of Hindu children than those at the Mission school at Arcot. Try to picture 126 bright little girls seated in alcoves around an open courtyard

about which birds are singing and pets of various kinds are playing. The work of the year was commended by the Inspector. At present a trying siege of plague is greatly affecting our attendance.

HINDU GIRLS' SCHOOL, KAVERIPAK.

The Kaveripak School is struggling against a spirit among the Hindus which says: "We will not have a Mission school where the songs dedicated to our Gods cannot be sung"; but the staff of the school is determined to overcome the prejudice of the Hindu community and the attendance for the last three months shows that the parents are beginning to appreciate the broader education which our school offers. Special instruction in Health and House Management has been given during the year, for these children leave us at the age of eleven or twelve to become wives and home makers. The past year has seen the school well equipped with furniture and necessary working material.

HINDU GIRLS' SCHOOL, RANIPETTAI.

While the other three schools of this station are housed in comfortable and spacious quarters, the Ranipettai school is occupying a rented building which is far too small but as the opposition is strong no better quarters can be secured. The work is largely among the Brahman caste who greatly disapprove of our religious teaching but at present we are able to register a little over a hundred girls. In order to create a deeper interest among the parents we are holding monthly meetings for the mothers, at which time secular subjects are treated—all with the view of later showing them the true merit of the Christian religion.

HINDU GIRLS' SCHOOL, WALLAJAH.

The work of the Wallajah school has not been without its problems, but we believe the dark clouds are behind us. The Bible is daily taught and we know that the instruction given in our Hindu Girls' Schools is helping to remove suspicion and

prejudice and is ever tending toward the emancipation of Indian women. Because of the increased rates of freight our Prize giving entertainments were omitted this year.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Sunday schools are held in all of our Hindu Girls' schools, also in the Church and Boarding school, all of which are well attended. The lesson stories are illustrated on the blackboard and dramatized by the children.

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

In July a new class of nine young men was admitted most of whom had studied in the Fourth Form. This raised the enrollment to twenty-three. For the first time since Dr. Wyckoff's death, instruction was imparted by an American; Dr. L. R. Scudder teaching one period each day. Some of the instruction in the Junior class is through the medium of English, which has added some interest to the work of the year.

Knowing the tendency towards the professional attitude in theological studies an effort has been made to place greater emphasis on the spiritual and practical side. In the morning prayers the staff in turn give short addresses on spiritual topics, striving in this way to get into close spiritual touch with the students. This gives the teachers a great opportunity which they are striving to use to the full.

While nothing very large or noteworthy has been accomplished it is felt that at least a beginning has been made in restoring the Seminary to the position it had when Dr. Wyckoff was able to devote his large talents to the work. The aim is to send out young men with a good mental equipment and broad sympathetic outlook but above all with a deep and rich spiritual experience that will fit them to lead men to Christ.

VOORHEES COLLEGE.

Mr. Potter reports: This year has marked an increase in the efficiency of the College, because of the addition to the staff

of a Vice-principal, Mr. Mason Olcott, B.A. He has not only lightened the burden of my teaching work, which means the possibility of securing greater thoroughness in teaching, but has also undertaken the management of the two Christian hostels or dormitories and the supervision of the Y. M. C. A. Our accommodations are still taxed to the utmost, with 94 students in the two College classes, 470 in the High School department and 476 in the Lower School. It is peculiarly gratifying to record full college classes, as the University last year made more stringent regulations governing the admission of students to College. The result secured in the two great public examinations were also very satisfactory this year. These are the examinations for students completing the High School course, and those completing the Intermediate course, that is, the first two years of the College work. The staff is co-operating most loyally in all college work and by means of a Provident Fund, which we expect to establish this January, we hope to win even more enthusiastic support for the institution. From the report as so far given, the casual reader may be tempted to raise the usual cry against educational missionary work, of its being too much occupied with the secular side. We wish that such a reader might come into our College Bible classes held four days in every week and mark the attitude of the students. A keen attention and interest are shown which I feel certain could hardly be found in a class of American College students obliged to study the Bible. Live questions are raised and as we always teach the Gospels, a clear idea of the life of Jesus Christ is obtained. Not many converts are being made in India in educational institutions, but the contrast of the graduate of a Missionary institution with the graduate of a Hindu institution speaks volumes for the influence of Christianity. The great forces which are being thus developed in the thinking world of India cannot be despised, and constitute one of the vital means for the ultimate evangelization of India. In considering educational missionary work, when the cry for black and white results goes up, let us remember that "The Kingdom of God cometh not with observation." Indian reform movements are arising throughout India conducted under Hindu

auspices, but their original source is the life of Jesus Christ, and of this life these men of education and power learn in our educational institutions.

In close connection with direct religious instruction stands socializing work. The bulwark of Hinduism is caste. The great opportunity of the educational institution is to teach democracy, co-operation, and the little world of our College is developing along these lines.

Great interest was aroused in the College by the visit of the Deputation, particularly as one of the members, Dr. W. I. Chamberlain, was a former Principal of the College. Another most interesting event was the final securing of the property adjoining the College, which we have been trying to secure for the past twelve years. Government has now acquired it for us and the Cobb Memorial Hall is soon to rise on that site, in honor of the former devoted Secretary of the Board, Dr. Henry N. Cobb.

In conclusion, for the benefit of a reader who is investing his money in foreign missions, I should like to present a statement of the cost of maintaining an institution such as this, that he may balance it over against the work we have attempted to briefly describe and then turn again to the old question "Do foreign missions pay?" We have about 1000 students, 46 teachers, and for the general upkeep of this whole institution, excluding dormitories and the salaries of the two missionaries, we spend \$1500 a year net.

CHRISTIAN HOSTEL.

The past year has been a satisfactory one for the two hostels. In the High School hostel the system of special tutoring has been introduced with good results. The health of the boys has been as usual, and their athletic life has thriven. The College hostel is still without a building of its own. The spiritual life of the boys is carefully fostered by frequent devotional meetings in which the boys take part. This religious life finds a field for Christian service through the Y. M. C. A. A night school taught by volunteer teachers from among the college students has been successfully maintained.

MARY TABER SCHELL HOSPITAL.

Dr. Ida Scudder reports: The past year has been an immensely busy one, for in addition to the work in the Mary Taber Schell hospital there have been committee meetings to attend and a large correspondence in connection with the new Women's Medical College for South India. These committee meetings have necessitated my being away from Vellore many a time during the year, and the burden of the work in Schell hospital has fallen on Dr. Pollard's shoulders. Aside from the work in Schell hospital, Dr. Pollard and I have had an out dispensary, Dr. Pollard opening a new one in Ussoor, and I continuing to go to Gudiyatam. I have been fortunate in securing for Gudiyatam a trained Sub-Assistant Surgeon from Ludhiana. Miss Backiam is very enthusiastic and much interested in her work. The people like her and we hope we may make the dispensary self-supporting in the future. As Gudiyatam is one of the large towns of our Mission we hope that this dispensary may prove a real blessing to the inhabitants and may be the means of giving to many a vision of the Christ. Miss Houghton left us in March and for a time we had no Superintendent of nurses in the hospital. In May, Miss Durick came to us and has taken charge of the nurses.

The Medical College Committee felt it would be advisable to send some of the appointed Professors to Vellore in 1917 to open up Dispensaries in the surrounding villages and to become acquainted with the people and thus increase the work. We anticipated having two doctors in 1917, and the London Mission hearing of this requested us to release Dr. Pollard to go to their Mission and take up work there. The London Mission has a hospital in Erode which is closed because during the war times they cannot find a lady who can take up that work. As we seemed to be provided for in Vellore our Mission consented to release Dr. Pollard in January, 1917, to go to the London Mission.

The Mary Taber Schell Hospital is the same busy happy place more crowded as the days pass. The great cry is for more private rooms. Our income would be much larger if we could

accommodate more in private rooms and we are eager to get into our new hospital with its many private rooms for patients. The verandahs are lined with beds and the wards often over full.

A large number of wealthy Brahmans and Muhammadans have come to us during the past year. We find them refined, gentle women, and have enjoyed having them in our midst. We have had a larger number of children than usual and I was amazed the other day to find parents willing to leave their young son here without any member of the household being present. The lad is very ill but has been happy with his doll and his picture books. It certainly is an advance when parents trust their children to us in this way.

The operative work is increasing and it rejoices our hearts to be able to relieve suffering, which even a few years ago could not be relieved because the people would not consent to an operation. Even today we are repeatedly requested to give medicine, put on plasters, do anything to drive the tumor away, "but please don't operate."

We are fortunate in having with us an old Bible woman, Mrs. Sawyer, who is a patient much of the time but who never lets an opportunity pass of speaking to patients and friends or of teaching scripture verses, prayers and Bible stories to them. Sometimes when almost too ill to do so she will get out of her bed, go to some bed side and talk or pray with the women.

The Ford which was given by Mrs. Bancroft Hill, of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., has been life saving many a time during the past year. I have been over 7000 miles in it, and I suppose not more than a few hundred of that have been for pleasure. I do not dread calls to distant villages now, but rather enjoy a run out and back, and instead of returning worn out with a hard jolting ride in a jutka, I get home refreshed and ready to take up more work. I cannot express what it has meant to have the car and it has been such a help in the work.

Miss Durick writes: There are at present 18 nurses at the Schell Hospital. Four of the girls took their Junior examination in September. All passed getting distinction in the written work. There were only three girls in the next class. One of these, a

girl whom all loved, contracted tuberculosis. She had every possible attention and was sent to the Hills hoping the change would do her good but in a few weeks she passed away.

ZENANA WORK.

The Bible women's work has changed hands twice this year. Miss Hancock gave over charge to Miss Wyckoff in March and Mrs. L. R. Scudder took over charge in August. At the close of the year there are 11 women at work and a superintendent. The superintendent is a new feature. Mrs. Lizzie Peter, the superintendent, is an Indian woman who has had superior educational advantages as well as considerable experience in this line of work. She is able to do virtually the same work that a missionary lady does and is a great help. The individual reports of the zenana workers tell of many who are reading the scriptures, of many before indifferent who are now asking for visits, of men who ask to have their women taught because they admire the bearing and position of our Christian women, of secret believers who have not the courage to break with their caste ties. Two of the Bible women give a half of each day to work in the Schell Hospital. Every Wednesday one Bible woman goes with the doctor to Gudiyatam and preaches at six or seven villages along the way. The village women appreciate women preachers. The superintendent and three of the women by turns also go out on Fridays for preaching in the surrounding villages. In this way they have regularly visited 20 villages. They sing the gospel and preach the gospel and do house to house visitation.

JAIL WORK.

Mrs. Cornelius writes: It is indeed a very good thing that the Government allows us to give moral instruction to the prisoners in the Jail, though we are not allowed to preach the gospel directly. Besides myself there are two Hindu men who visit the prisoners and give them moral instruction—one speaking in Tamil and the other in Telugu. But I am glad to say that these

women appreciate the Christian teaching most. There are some among them who eagerly look for our visits and when we come they take the front seats and listen with great attention. I am sorry to say that the matron, who was a Christian and helped us in many ways, has been transferred to Madras.

HINDU GIRLS' SCHOOLS.

The three Hindu Girls' Schools, Velapadi Arasamaram, and Sircarmandy, have completed another year of very useful work. Their strength and attendance were very much affected at the beginning of the year by the appearance of plague in the town. But as soon as it disappeared they recovered their normal condition. These schools are for the most part taught by Indian Christian women, who are discharging their duties faithfully and well. A special instructor was appointed in July for teaching sewing to the girls in the different schools, and the sewing has improved much. No one of these schools has a suitable building of its own. All of them are held in dwelling houses which are not well suited to school purposes. This is a serious drawback, which, it is hoped will be removed at no distant date.

Arasamaram and Sircarmandy can now boast of having good gardens. The Bible is taught very regularly in all these schools. Some of the songs are full of Christian ideas. These the children sing not only in the schools but also in their homes. Thus Christianity finds its way into many homes otherwise closed to Christian influences.

Sunday classes are also held for the girls in these schools. Most of them come to these classes of their own accord. At the Sunday school rally held in November last, they took a prominent part and did very creditably.

KATPADI.

The Industrial School management during the year has had a checkered career. Mr. Farrar had charge of the institution until his departure on furlough; then Rev. E. C. Scudder had

control of the place up to September; since then Rev. B. Rottschaefer has assumed charge. We can say but little of the work except that it seems to have been very much of the standard of other years; neither a remarkable set back nor a marked progress can be recorded.

CHITTOOR.

GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL.

We have 73 girls in the Boarding school this year. There seems to be little of special interest to record. The health of the school has been good; there has been no change in the teaching staff. The work in the hostel and school has gone on harmoniously. All our girls are Christians nominally and many of them show by their lives that they are Christians indeed. We aim to correct the idea which prevails among them that work for the Lord consists chiefly in preaching and praying. We strive to make them realize that the example we set and the life we lead speak more forcibly than the sermons we preach. The seven young women teachers who live in the hostel have been very willing to assist and have done much outside their regular school work. They have helped in the meetings, taught in the Sunday schools and taken part in the Evangelistic work.

THE NORMAL SCHOOL.

The number of students has been smaller than last year. The reason for the falling off in numbers is that we have been sending our brightest girls to Ranipettai. This also doubtless accounts for the breaking of our splendid record of passing 100 per cent in the Government examinations. This year several girls failed in one subject. They are to be allowed to try the examination again. We have at last been successful in finding a highly qualified mistress to teach in the Training school. As she is also a member of the Boarding school family we expect much from her influence outside of as well as in the school room. There has been a good attendance in the Model School

throughout the year. The youngest girls in the Boarding school attend here. The other pupils are the children from the compound and our nearest Christian village.

HINDU GIRLS' SCHOOL.

We have continued to experience the encouragement of opposition. This reached a climax after Mrs. Besant, the Theosophical leader, visited Chittoor last March. The attendance then went down to about thirty. We have tried to make our school as attractive as possible and have brought the number enrolled up to 91 with an average attendance of 73. The Inspector says that our staff of teachers is much superior to that of the rival school and that she expects to find the girls who have left us all back again next year. Three Sunday schools have been conducted regularly in the town. A collection has been taken each Sunday. This money provided cloths for six poor persons besides a small contribution towards the Madras Hospital ship. Sunday school work in embryo is also being done in a village near by. One of our teachers has been doing evangelistic work in that village all the year and this attempt at a Sunday school is an outgrowth of that work. The soil is decidedly virgin and one feels that this undertaking is real missionary work.

ZENANA WORK.

We continue to employ 4 women for zenana work and one woman who does purely evangelistic work in nearby villages and wherever in the town itself opportunities present themselves. This year we have asked the zenana pupils to contribute something towards the Madras Hospital ship instead of buying garlands to hang round the "Missie's" neck. The sum thus collected during the year is about Rs. 10, or \$3. It takes some time to introduce a new idea and many coppers to make a rupee. A former zenana pupil now living in Madras sent us Rs. 23 to use for charity. With this money we purchased clothing for eight poor widows.

PALMANER.

Miss Brown has recently resumed zenana work in Palmaner. Upon her return her old friends gave her a cordial welcome. Having taken up the work again with these she is trying to win new pupils as well. Palmaner has but one Bible woman and Miss Brown reports that she has been ill most of the time and is not bright even when at her best. Another Bible woman is expected to begin work soon, so prospects are brighter for next year. Three Sunday schools have been maintained in Palmaner, three C. E. Societies have done good work and women's meetings have been well attended.

HINDU GIRLS' SCHOOL.

This school has had little supervision for two years; consequently it is in a run down condition. Since Miss Brown has returned to Palmaner and has visited the school from time to time it has begun to improve. They are very much in need of a new building.

PUNGANUR.

The Mary Isabelle Allen Hospital has been in charge of Mr. R. P. Nathaniel. It was closed for three months this year while he was away taking his Government examination. He is to be congratulated on passing the test and qualifying as Sub-Assistant Surgeon. The total number of cases shows a falling off due to three months' closing, but in other items there has been a small increase in spite of this closure. Since passing the examination in July the monthly averages have shown a gratifying increase.

HINDU GIRLS' SCHOOL.

The Inspectress was very pleased with the work done in this school last year. A new feature of the school is an Indian harmonium. Now lessons on this instrument are given to those girls

who will pay a small fee. A Sunday school is held regularly and the Hindu girls appreciate very much the pretty picture cards that are given to them.

MUHAMMADAN GIRLS' SCHOOL.

This school has taken a step in advance in that it has been promoted to a Primary School by having its classes raised to the 4th standard. In a former report it was said that "Drill was not approved of by Muhammadans but now the subject is very popular." The girls in this school learn to make their own garments and also learn to crochet and to work on canvas.

ZENANA WORK.

There are two Bible women at Punganur. One of them uses Christian lyrics very effectively.

MADANAPALLE.

GIRLS' INCOMPLETE SECONDARY SCHOOL.

The war is responsible for all unhappy circumstances these days and so, of course, it is the war that has prevented our ideals from being fulfilled in this school—at least in so far as our new building is concerned. The stones still lie in anticipatory heaps on our beautiful site, the carpenters have piled up the window and door frames in symmetrical stacks, but no building work can be begun until we receive the sanction of Government which interviews and correspondence with the Director of Public Instruction have as yet failed to secure. It was a delightful circumstance that brought the Deputation from the home Boards here in March and we were able to have Mrs. Hill, who has taken such great interest in the new school, initiate the work upon it by turning the sod. This ceremony was followed by a Prize giving at which Mrs. W. I. Chamberlain presided and Mrs. Hill distributed the prizes. As to the number of pupils 1916 has reached the high water mark of 148 and the Govern-

ment grant too was larger than ever, Rs. 1642. Much to the regret of all, our Head Master who had had the inspiration of the school for six years, left us in May. In his place the first assistant, one of our own girls, was appointed Head Mistress and after much difficulty we secured three other teachers of High School qualifications, who, though not normally trained, are working faithfully and with genuine interest in their work. We have 19 Hindu pupils attending the school, most attractive girls. In the hostel we have 87 girls crowded far too closely for health and comfort. There have been measles, mumps, and many fevers among them, but the Mary Lott Lyles Hospital has been our friend in need.

The girls attend the three different Christian Endeavor Societies with great regularity. The older school girls took an active part in the Evangelistic Campaign. In company with the Christian women they visited the villages selected by the Campaign committee and assisted in every possible way in the work done. They were a great help in the evening meetings for women conducted in Madanapalle town. There is no doubt that through the work of our women and girls a deep impression was made and God will gather the fruits in His good time.

ZENANA WORK.

In Madanapalle there are three Bible women. Two work among Hindus and the other one works especially among the newly baptized Christians. Besides their regular work these Bible women joined heartily in the work of the Evangelistic Campaign. In Zenana visiting, Mrs. Gnanamoni met an old woman who had been on pilgrimages to Benares, Rameswaram, Tirupati and other sacred places—hoping to satisfy the longings of her heart. But when she came back and thought over her visits to sacred cities, she found that she was not in any way the better for her trip except that she had seen new sights and scenes. Then the conviction came upon her that Benares and such places had nothing to give her and that it was her heart which had to be right.

THE HINDU GIRLS' SCHOOLS.

The year in Madanapalle school has been much broken as two teachers were ill and substitutes had to take their places. The happiest event of the year was the result of the Deputation's visit. For many years the school has been bounded by its four walls without an inch of ground beside, and when we showed this situation to our friends from home they at once recognized the need and provided money for buying a piece of land just at the back of the school. The owner had long refused to sell and had always mentioned a prohibitive price; but with money in hand we again approached him and most providentially he was moved to sell us just what we wanted. The deed was registered and the money paid, and two days later the man came to see if he could buy back his land. But it was too late—the land was ours and the "Hill Garden" is an established feature of the Girls' School. Sunday school is held regularly on Sunday mornings. We try to make the gospel stories appeal to the hearts of the children and influence their daily lives.

The year in the Vayalpad Girls' School has been uneventful. My monthly visits are a real pleasure. The teachers are trying to carry out the suggestions given them, so there is improvement shown from month to month. There are 3 teachers and 63 pupils.

MARY LOTT LYLES HOSPITAL.

The past year has been a very unsettled one. We began without a doctor. During this time Dr. Ida S. Scudder came to our aid for a few days. Later Mrs. Witney came and remained until Mrs. Warnshuis was able to resume hospital supervision once more. In May our Indian Lady Apothecary took charge during the Hill season and in August Mrs. Witney again came, to remain, we trust, until Dr. Hart can resume the care of the hospital once more. Our nursing staff has changed but slightly. One of our senior nurses went to Arabia to assist Dr. Hosmon in her hospital at Maskat. Our present staff con-

sists of 9 nurses and 2 compounders. Three nurses went up for the South India Missions Nurses' Examination. All three acquired high marks—two receiving distinction.

Dispensary meetings are conducted by some member of the staff or some outside volunteer whenever possible. While there has been a decrease in the number of in-patients during the year, our number of out-patients has increased. The cool breezes of Madanapalle have doubtless helped to attract a number of European patients. Near the hospital is a little village which we have long wished could be induced to accept Christianity. Some months ago the twelve-year-old son of the headman of this village became seriously ill with typhoid fever and in this condition was brought to the hospital. A few years before they had brought us a daughter similarly affected and after demanding one of our best rooms and the best of everything we had, they had finally spirited her away without our permission and without paying any of her bills. While we are always glad to treat the worthy poor freely we do feel that when people can afford to do so they must help meet their own expenses. The people at home make sacrifices to help the poor of this country and while we are here to win the rich as well as the poor, at the same time we feel that they must not be allowed to depend upon charity unnecessarily. The headman was called in and we explained to him that while the hospital was here to help the people, at the same time it was incumbent upon them to help us to make that help go as far as possible. His son's case would undoubtedly be a long and a serious one, and even with our best care and attention he might not recover. Should he wish to leave him with us he must pay us a definite sum in advance, to cover expenses. They were quite fully determined not to pay for him, but they finally agreed to do so and gave us no further trouble, never objecting in the least for anything we did. It was really quite wonderful considering the size of the family and the number of old women there were among them. They frankly expressed themselves as being much interested in Christianity and declare that in a little time they too will all become Christians, but they cannot come just now; there are hindrances, but

the next generation will probably follow Christianity. When a few more of the old people with their old prejudices have been removed they will come. A few months ago two different families brought in a little child each. Alamelamma was the little girl and Gopaul the little boy. Each was seven years of age; she was the only daughter and he the only son and both were greatly beloved by their respective families and both were seriously ill. At the end of ten days or so, because there was no marked improvement in the eyes of the relatives, Gopaul's people, in spite of all our explanations and entreaties insisted upon taking the child home because they had lost courage. As a matter of fact, the little boy was better and gave promise of ultimate recovery if only left to us, but take him away they would, and three days later he was dead. Little Alamelamma's people had more confidence in us and day by day they watched with anxious hearts and waited, for typhoid runs its course but slowly, especially when one suffers from relapse as did little Alamelamma. In this case their patience was rewarded. Slowly she crept back to life and strength until one day, attired in a bright colored silk saree, she sat in grandeur and smiled out her joy as she saw the nurses and others presented with sweets and fruits as her parting gift. She is a dear little girl and as they left the parents said: "Never fear, we are sending her as a pupil to your Mission School, she is yours."

During the past year the hospital was honored by a visit from the home Deputation and all were cheered by their hearty words of commendation and encouragement. It is with gratitude that Mary Lott Lyles Hospital acknowledges the return of Dr. Hart and looks forward to the day when she will once more be actively associated with it.

THE MADANAPALLE HIGH SCHOOL.

This school has experienced a year of great progress. The number of pupils has increased to 287; the increase has been especially marked in all the higher classes. The grants drawn from Government this year have been exceptionally good, including a supplemental grant for the previous year, the teaching

grant has increased by Rs. 1166. Special building and furniture grants were also paid. The work of the staff has been in complete harmony with the aims of the management and of a high standard. Special instruction was given in the Bible by one of the first graduates of the institution. Athletics have been encouraged, basket ball and indoor base ball have been started and for the third consecutive time the school has been the champion school of the district in athletic contests. Discipline has been a matter of little trouble this year as most of the mischief makers of the previous year were not in a position to continue their career of uselessness.

The hostel for Christian boys has also a more wholesome atmosphere due to the removal of the former mischief makers. A special tutor has been employed with good results. The hostel is far too small to accommodate the 85 boys and larger quarters are eagerly awaited.

CO-OPERATIVE WORK.

1.—MEN'S TRAINING SCHOOL : VELLORE.

This school has long been located at Ranipet but was moved to Vellore during the year and was managed by F. M. Potter, Esq. M.A., Principal of Voorhees College. The year's work has been up to the standard of former years and the future enlargement of the school is under contemplation.

2.—TUBERCULOSIS SANATORIUM.

This institution has developed marvellously since moving into its new quarters beautifully situated about four miles from Madanapalle. In June the doctor in charge, Dr. Fremodt Moeller, was obliged to take furlough and since then the work has been carried on by a series of doctors loaned by the co-operating missions. Dr. Ida Scudder of our own Mission had charge of the work for four weeks and writes as follows:

"I came away feeling inspired with the work that is being done in that institution and longing to have friends at home

know about it and help build new wards. The private wards are very insufficient and people who could pay generously are turned away because there is no room. It is sad when this occurs and one realizes that \$400 will build a private room. Magazines and books are longed for by those confined to bed and I hope that some who read this report will be inspired to send magazines regularly to the Sanatorium. Many of the patients are well educated and read English readily. At present Dr. Hart is in temporary charge of the Sanatorium.

3.—WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN COLLEGE, MADRAS.

The Arcot Mission is one of twelve British and American Missions which co-operate in supporting the new Women's Christian College in Madras. In addition to its financial support the Mission has twice contributed to the staff of the College, by loaning the services of Miss Drury for three months in 1915 and of Miss Wyckoff for the year 1916-1917. Only two Arcot Mission girls are at present students in the College, but we hope that our new Girls' High School will increase the number, for the women's work of the mission will be immensely helped by the services of College-trained Indian women. The College is beautifully situated on a river bank in the residential quarter of Madras. There are seventy-five students, at present, all but ten of whom are Indian Christians. On the staff are four British Professors, three Americans and one Indian. The staff and students live together, and everything possible is done to develop these Indian girls to strong, capable Christian women who will be the leaders of their sex and race.

4.—MEDICAL COLLEGE FOR WOMEN.

Before Dr. Ida Scudder's furlough in 1914 she was appointed by the Interim Committee of the Medical College for Women to act as their representative in America and England. This honor brought with it a great responsibility involving a large correspondence and demanding attendance at many Committee meetings. This work has taken much of Dr. Scudder's

time and thought the past year. After much careful consideration the Committee selected Vellore as the most suitable location for the institution and plans for its development are now moving along as rapidly as can be expected during war times. Government is acquiring a suitable site of 112 acres of land besides a number of acres of Government waste land. This site is about two miles from Vellore but a large Dispensary and Maternity Hospital will be located in the town itself.

CONCLUSION.

Last year's report placed emphasis upon two notes—"expansion on one hand, inadequate resources on the other." This year we would emphasize the single note, "inadequate resources."

Our unoccupied stations still remain unoccupied; the strain on our small force of workers has not relaxed; emergencies are more than ever likely to occur; should even one more worker fall by the wayside there is absolutely no one else ready to take up the work. Furloughs are necessary but to take them means that the work must suffer, to postpone them is almost sure to mean a pound of cure instead of an ounce of prevention—and the problem left more serious than ever.

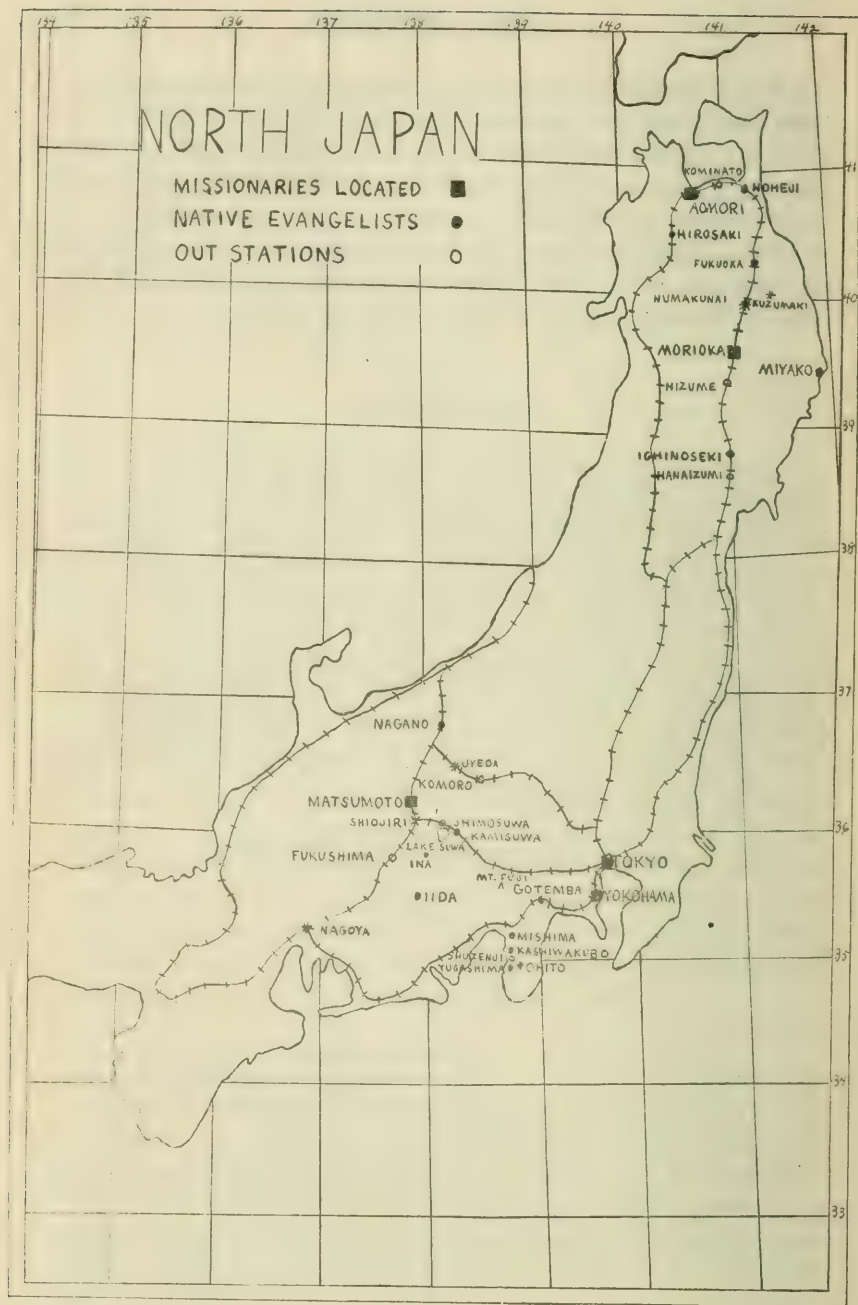
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Associate Missionaries.—Mrs. A. Oltmans, Mrs. D. C. Ruigh.

In America.—Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hoffsommer, Rev. and Mrs. E. S. Booth, Rev. and Mrs. L. J. Shafer.

STATISTICAL TABLE

NAME OF CHURCH.	Members			Baptized			Contributions.	Inquirers.	No. S. S. Schools	Total No. Pupils.	Avg. Attendance.	S. S. Contributions.
	Enrolled.	Active.	Absent.	Adult.	Infant.	Died.						
Gotemba	47	26	21	4			Y. 109.30	10	3	69		Y. 3.60
Mishima	100	27	73	6	1	2			3	152		
Kashiwakubo	39	21	18	5					3	140		
Yugashima	13	12	1	5					1	30		
Nagano	40	22	18	3	2		Y. 100.00		1	50		
Matsumoto								6		260		
Suwa	49	25	24	3	1	1	Y. 120.00		2	45		
Ina	54	31	23				Y. 34.00		1	51		
Iida	24	24		8			Y. 203.29		2	196		
Aomori	47	29	18	5			Y. 139.96	9	1	70		Y. 2.85
Hirosaki	2	2	1				Y. 1.50	6	1	21		Y. .01
Noheji	25	11	14	2			Y. 79.83	6	3	112		
Morioka	105	41	64	5			Y. 191.64		4	339		Y. 40.60
Ichinoseki	85	28	57	7	1		Y. 53.07		4	159		Y. 37.00
Miyako	44	26	18	8			Y. 17.85		5	300		Y. 12.50
Yamada	15	15		4			Y. 15.20		1	40		
Fukuoka, Kintaichi & Ichinohe	12	12		1					3	151		
Hizume	12	12							3	115		
Yotsuya	32	19	13	7			Y. 120.02	5	1	70		Y. 3.52
Gotenyama	3	3					Y. 17.15	10	2	90		Y. 5.21
Yokohama									7	295		Y. 15.50
Yokohama, Chojia Machi.	16	16		15					1	40		
	765	402		88	5	3	Y. 1207.81	54	55	2795		Y. 120.79

REPORT FOR 1916.

This Annual Report for 1916 is the swan-song of the North Japan Mission as such. Already, while writing these words, the North and South Japan Missions of the Reformed Church in America have lost their separate existence and become one "Japan Mission of the Reformed Church in America," by re-uniting the two. If twenty-eight years of separate existence have justified the step that made them two distinct Missions, we hope and trust that the next twenty-eight years will even more clearly justify the step just taken, by which they have again become one.

Our revered Dr. Ballagh, the Nestor of the Protestant missionaries in Japan, now eighty-four years old, has completed fifty-five years of labor for the Lord in this land. It is therefore thought eminently fitting that the rest of the introduction to this last Annual Report of the former North Japan Mission should be in the words of our venerable veteran missionary, and it seems that, certainly under the circumstances, the personal note in the following words of Dr. Ballagh needs no apology.

PERSONAL AND SPIRITUAL LABORS.

The times and seasons for special prayer for fellow missionaries, for Japanese pastors and evangelists, for ordinary believers, for many political personages and special causes, calling for remembrance in this present strenuous age—in all these it has been my blessed privilege to be allowed freely and confidently to engage. This is a rare privilege offered freely to all, but engaged in earnestly and effectually by few. The well-known lines of the hymn are true:

"Were half the breath that's vainly spent,
To heaven in supplication sent;
Our cheerful songs would oftener be,
Hear what the Lord hath done for me."

I can bear witness to God's great goodness and faithfulness in answer to prayer. And probably never more than during the

various trying circumstances of this present year of the great European war, and the constantly conflicting circumstances attending it, as affecting those engaged in the war, and the people at large. The averting of war between the United States and Mexico; the relations of Japan and Russia with China; the attempted crowning of Yuan Shih-kai; the inauguration of a truly Republican President in China, and the nomination and re-election of President Wilson for a second term of office—these were events taxing faith to the utmost. And blessed be God, it was not in vain. The answers and assurances have been so many and so marked that boldness was begotten to believe that whatever God lays upon the hearts of His believing children will, most assuredly, be answered in accordance with that upon which He has caused His petitioners to hope. All this has especial bearing upon prayer for His own most holy cause and Kingdom. In this has been the chief anxiety and laboring in prayer for the greatest part of the past year. And all the more trying because of opinions and efforts among our nearest and dearest fellow-workers engaged in the same work, and with like earnestness and convictions of truth. And yet, in the midst of it all, our song shall be, "Great deliverance giveth He to his King; and sheweth mercy to his Anointed, to David, and to his seed forever more." Ps. 18:50, and, "Blessed be God, who hath not turned away my prayer, nor His mercy from me." Ps. 66:20.

Next to the continued, earnest prayer, has been frequent correspondence with those for whom prayer has been offered. This is an invaluable accompaniment; and it leads to no small labor to realize that for which prayer has been truly offered. It may be said to be the touch-stone of the genuineness of all real prayer. The habit of set times of days of the week and hours for this purpose, and going over the names, places and circumstances of each believer brought to mind systematically, must lead to frequent messages not only of friendship, but of Christian fellowship, and establishment in the faith.

An additional work of faith and love is, not only prayer for the welfare of fellow-workers and believers, and frequent correspondence with them, but an earnest desire to meet them "face

to face," and to be the means of imparting and receiving some spiritual blessing to and from them. Prayer and correspondence prepare the way for the most beneficial results to both the missionary and his fellow-workers, especially if the missionary comes in the assurance which the Apostle had when writing to the Romans (Ch. 15:19).

These are the lines of labor I have followed last year, and for the statement of which I am led by the modest request of the writer of the Annual Report.

REPORTS OF WORK

EVANGELISTIC

YOKOHAMA.

Dr. Ballagh reports:

Besides the control of the Church Property, the building and its accounts, I have two preaching places—one under the care of my Japanese secretary, and the other carried on by myself and several lay volunteer helpers. At Choja Machi preaching place, services are held on the Sabbaths and on Thursday evenings, at which several speakers take part. Both places are open to the street and may be classed as street preaching-places. A number of baptisms have been administered by my secretary. A band has been organized, but not a church, though having the character of a church. They carry on their separate meetings and Sunday schools.

TOKYO.

The preaching places at Gotenyama and Osaki in the outskirts of Tokyo, are cared for, as in the previous year, by Mr. Kumura, who also continues to assist Dr. Oltmans in his clerical work. In two places Sunday school work is carried on throughout the year, and in two other places during nine months of the year. About one hundred pupils are enrolled in these four schools.

Some special preaching services were held at which the attendance was encouraging.

Connected with the different preaching places there are ten inquirers. The adult Christian members of the group number only six. The amount contributed by the Christians and "sympathizers" during the year was yen 54.70.

THE IZU FIELD.

As there is no resident missionary in this field, it has been superintended this last year by Dr. Ballagh from Yokohama. The out-stations of Gotenba, Mishima, Kashiwakubo and Yugasima were maintained, with no other change in the working force than the removal of the Rev. Miura from Mishima to Tokyo to assist in literary work, and that of the Rev. Inagaki from Tokyo to Mishima as Mr. Miura's successor.

GOTENBA.

Under the faithful labors of Rev. T. Sonobe, the work was regularly and zealously carried on both at Gotenba itself and at the outlying village of Koyama. Preaching services at the latter place were held every Sunday afternoon. There are eighteen Christians at Koyama; they practically all belong to the place.

Special preaching services and extensive tract distribution were again engaged in during the summer period of July 20th till August 10th, for the "Fujiyama" pilgrims. Eight hundred of these heard the Gospel preached, and 18,400 tracts on Christian truths were handed out to them. This is sowing the seed of the Gospel far and wide, as the pilgrims take the preached or written Word with them to their homes.

Besides the regular preaching and prayer-meeting services of the Gotenba church, there were held several special meetings at which Dr. Peeke, Colonel Yamamuro of the Salvation Army, Madam Hirooka and others spoke the Word to many hearers. The Christians contributed yen 136.80 for the work during the year.

MISHIMA.

The change in ministers at this place has not yet brought all the change for the better into the work that the Mission had hoped to see. The Mishima church, which is composed of about twenty-five members in the place, and sixty-five on the absent list, is sorely in need of a spiritual earthquake that shall shake the people and arouse them from their religious indifference. Attendance upon the services has somewhat improved, but the high road to real improvement is still before them. Three Sunday schools are carried on in connection with the work, with an average attendance of nearly one hundred. This is at least one hopeful sign for the future. The Christians contributed yen 132.56 for the work during the year.

In regard to all the work in the Izu field it must be remembered that there is no resident missionary evangelist, and the visits of missionaries practically amount to very little. It seems very unwise to try to carry on the work in such a field without a resident missionary and adequate supervision. Either that, or the field should be turned over to others who can care for it better than we can possibly do it without such provision.

THE SHINSHU FIELD.

Rev. D. Van Strien in charge reports as follows:

The past year has been in two respects unique in the modern history of the Shinshu field.

In the first place it has been undergoing the trial of a possibility of change in mission relationship, and the lack of certainty has no doubt caused anxiety in the minds of some of the workers and Christians, as well as a feeling of restlessness in the minds and hearts of all.

In the second place, there have been more visits by outside speakers. Nagano has been visited twice by special representatives of the Church of Christ in Japan, and by representatives of Christ in affiliation with the Three Years' Evangelistic Campaign. Nagano and Kamisuwa were also favored with a visit by Dr. Oltmans. The Southern portion of the field rejoiced in the

visits of the veteran missionary, Dr. Ballagh, and a visit of his son-in-law, Dr. MacAlpine, a member of the Southern Presbyterian Mission. Nagano, Suwa and Iida were aroused to an intense heat by the simple but fiery message of the evangelist, Mr. Paul Kanamori, at whose meetings a total of one thousand and thirty-six people signed decision cards. No doubt, as in the parable of the Sower, those that ultimately become active Christians will be only "some," but the results of Mr. Kanamori's campaign cannot be estimated. The Christians have been startled by the man's power, moved by his earnestness and prayerful spirit, and aroused to activity, while the outside world has been forced to recognize the power of the message.

As a whole, the work is rather encouraging and promises well for the coming year, although the growth has been exceedingly slow.

NAGANO.

Nagano now enjoys an enlarged preaching place which is peculiarly adapted to the preaching services, the Sunday school work, and the other meetings; and also a practically rebuilt parsonage, which is roomy and comfortable.

During the year there has also been a change in personnel, as Mr. Abe, young in years and experience, was chosen to take the place of Mr. Kimura, aged in both of these respects. Naturally, this change has brought with it its trials, but the work has survived them. There are at present twenty-five active Christians, nine of whom were baptized during the year. The work is comparatively well organized, and the increasing financial contribution, the renewed enthusiasm, and the number of inquirers, promise well for the future.

Connected with the church is a well-organized Sunday school with four teachers and eighty-eight pupils. In accordance with the suggestion of the Japan Sunday School Association Secretary, the school observed a "White Gift Christmas," bringing their offerings to the inmates of the three hospitals in the vicinity and also to two orphanages, one of which is affiliated with the local Buddhist temple.

IIDA.

In Iida the work is carried on by Mr. Aoki, assisted by Miss Watanabe, the Bible woman. Here the chief difficulty is the tendency on the part of the Christians to neglect the public services, although they give fairly well to the work. At present the membership is fifty-two, nine of whom were baptized during the year.

There are three Sunday schools with an enrolment of one hundred and eighty children.

MATSUMOTO.

Mrs. Wyckoff writes:

"I am carrying on the same amount of work as before in Matsumoto. I have a Sunday school Sunday mornings in the chapel connected with my house, and hold a Sunday morning service at the same place. I have also a Sunday school in the afternoon, and a Bible class with young men from the Middle School.

"On Monday afternoons I have a class of girls from the Girls' High School, and a class in English for boys.

"In Asama I conduct a Sunday school on Wednesdays, a Woman's Meeting on Thursdays, and a Ladies' Meeting and Sunday Schools on Fridays and Saturdays.

"Once a month I go to Ina and Kamisuwa to conduct meetings, and also to Shiojiro. In all I have six Sunday schools, three Ladies' Meetings and two Bible Classes. One of the latter is held on Thursday evenings with the teachers and students of the Boys' Middle School in this place."

AOMORI.

Miss Winn writes:

"The Aomori church is slowly but surely growing stronger. In June the Rev. Mr. Watanabe became pastor and in July he was united in marriage to a lovely young girl of the church, Miss Nito by name. The church is in a wholesome condition. Our people are poor, but give generously of their meagre means.

"There have been nine additions by baptism to the church this last year. In August we were favored with a visit from the famous evangelist, the Rev. Seimatsu Kimura. He held two meetings, one at the Methodist church and one at ours. Twenty-seven gave in their names as desiring to enter our church. It was gratifying to know that they were almost all people for whom we have been working and praying, but it took Mr. Kimura to bring them to a decision.

"Besides the church Sunday school, the Bible Woman and I conduct six other schools. Two are held in the city and four in the neighboring villages.

"I have a few young men who come to me for English lessons. I could have very many more, but I teach only those who are willing to attend the church and to hear Bible instruction. It has gladdened me much that one of the most promising young men has decided to study for the ministry.

"During the many years that I have worked here in the Northeast, I have never known the work to be in as good a condition as it is at the present time. The opportunities are golden."

REPORT FOR THE IWATE FIELD.

The Rev. H. Kuyper reports for this field as follows:

"In my report for 1916 I spoke of the assignment of territory in the Iwate Prefecture and of the fact that our Mission was made responsible for approximately 300,000 people, besides sharing responsibility with other Missions for 43,000 additional souls. With but one missionary, six Japanese evangelists and one Bible Woman, we could not hope even to begin to cover such an immense field. The most we could hope for during 1916 was that we might make some advance. That has been realized; during the year regular work was begun at three new places, occasional meetings were held at four towns where we had never been before, and through special meetings the Gospel message has been proclaimed to large numbers of people in our regular out-stations who do not attend the ordinary meetings at the churches and preaching places.

"Last year we first put into operation the plan of holding a series of special evangelistic meetings in each of our regular out-stations during the month of February. This is the coldest month of the year in this cold northern region, and so it had been thought that during this season of the year evangelistic work was out of the question. Consultation with our evangelists, however, brought out the fact that the cold season is the time when people have most leisure, and that if proper meeting places could be obtained, meetings held during that month were likely to draw a larger attendance than at any other time during the year. Last year the experiment was tried for the first time; meetings were held for the most part in the local theaters, and where these were not available, other large buildings were obtained. One meeting was held in a pawnshop, the upper story of which was admirably suited for our purposes; another was held in a fish market with an earth floor and heated by little piles of burning charcoal placed on the floor at various points throughout the hall. Last year the experiment proved so successful that it was tried again this year and with even better success. At quite a number of places the attendance ran well over one hundred, while the banner meeting of the series, held in a large theater where every one present had to pay one sen for the privilege of having his footgear checked, was attended by over three hundred people. Numerous other special meetings during the year were well attended, the most successful ones being the series held when Dr. Peeke of the South Japan Mission made a tour of the northern field.

MORIOKA.

"During the year a large number of our Christians have moved away, among them some of our ablest workers and best contributors. In spite of this fact, our church attendance has fallen but little below that of last year, and the contributions have been kept well up to the mark set at the beginning of the year, so we feel encouraged in spite of the loss in membership. This frequent moving away of members is one of the great obstacles in the way of bringing a church in one of the smaller

cities to financial independence. A large part of our membership still consists of the transient classes, students, teachers and officials, and hence our membership is a constantly changing one. We therefore desire very much to recruit our membership from among the permanent business men and laboring men of the place where we work, but so far have not been very successful along that line in Morioka. During this year, however, we have begun to find openings among some of the laboring people. One of our Christians is manager of a freight transferring and forwarding company and has arranged for Christian meetings to be held for the employees of the company every week. These meetings have been well attended, and have already resulted in two baptisms. Another one of our Christians has a cloth weaving factory in which a number of girls are employed. Through the efforts of this man and his wife, these girls are attending our meetings quite regularly.

"The spirit of co-operation among the various bodies working in Morioka has always been strong. For a number of years the Baptists, Methodists, Oriental Missionary Society and ourselves have joined in a union prayer meeting once a month, and on special occasions have joined in union street preaching. This year a decided step in advance has been taken through the inauguration of a monthly union service on Sunday morning. This union service has been very successful from the start, and has proved to be stimulating for both pastors and people. What is especially pleasing and encouraging is that the idea of such a service originated with the Japanese Christians.

FUKUOKA.

"In last year's report mention was made of the difficulty of obtaining a suitable preaching place, and throughout most of this year we have been struggling with the same difficulty. Happily, however, within the last few months we have succeeded in renting a suitable building, very centrally located, and hope we shall now be able to make more of an impression on the people of the town than heretofore.

"One of the most interesting converts of the year is a charcoal burner who lives in a secluded village near Fukuoka. This man was converted through reading Christian literature and the study of the Bible. I had sent him some Christian books and sold him a Bible by mail, but had never met him until he appeared at one of our meetings and asked to be baptized. As he had never received any instruction from a Christian worker, we thought his request rather premature, but as he was insistent, we examined him and were greatly surprised at his knowledge of Christian truth. Pastor Ito of Morioka said that in all his forty years' experience he had seldom examined anyone who had such a clear grasp of the truth. This man was baptized in his own village and had gathered a large number of his friends and relatives to witness the ceremony, and to these we had the pleasure of bringing our message. It is still a comparatively rare thing in Japan to get into such rural communities, and so this experience has been one of the great events of the year's work.

"In last year's report attention was called to the fact that the two counties of which Fukuoka is the center have a population of over 100,000, and but one evangelist. It is hard, even for a missionary on the field, to visualize this great mass of needy humanity. Recently I was at Fukuoka on a market day. Several thousands of people from neighboring villages had come to town to sell their wares and make their purchases; and as I walked through that thronging mass of people, the problem of this field became very vivid to me. It was plainly to be seen that for most of these people life was merely a continuous struggle for a bare existence, and that of the simplest kind. Practically all the material things that help to make life pleasant were lacking in their lives, and they did not know of the spiritual joys and comforts that can make even a life of poverty a happy one. What wonder then that most of the faces in that great crowd wore a hopeless expression that was pitiful to see. Multiply this crowd by fifteen or twenty, and you have an idea of the task set for one lone evangelist; multiply this total by some hundreds of similar districts throughout the Japanese Empire,

and you have some idea of the task which still confronts the Christian Church in rural Japan.

ICHINOSEKI.

"The work goes on successfully, the attendance at the Sunday schools being especially good. The attendance at the special meetings held during the year has been remarkably good; at one meeting about three hundred were present, fifty of whom were Middle School students who came to the meeting in a body. The Principal of the local Girls' School, and the wife of the Principal of the Middle School, are both earnest Christians, and this helps greatly in our work among the students.

YAMADA.

"The work has been greatly strengthened by the arrival of Mrs. Miyagawa, the wife of our evangelist. They were married last year, but the husband was very anxious that his wife should spend six or seven months at a Bible School in order to be better prepared for her work, so for some time she remained in Tokyo attending the Bible School there. The results of the training are apparent, and she is doing a good work in the church.

"All of our Christians are young men, and hence most of them are still liable to military service. As a result each year a considerable number are absent. This year's statistics show that four of our sixteen believers are serving in the army. Two of our strongest men were called out in December of last year. Before they left for their appointed posts I wrote to them, calling their attention to Philippians I:12-13, showing them how it was possible to work for the extension of the Kingdom in their own environment as well as at home. Some time later I heard that one of the men had been called up by the Colonel of his regiment and was asked whether he was a Christian. Upon his replying in the affirmative, the officer asked him to tell him something about Christianity. Thereupon this man gave him a straightforward account of what he knew about Christianity, especially of

its practical effect upon his life. He told him how it had saved him from a life of sin and had made it possible for him to live a clean life. The officer was much interested and said that if Christianity had done so much for him, it certainly must be a good religion, and assured him that during his term as a soldier he would not be in any way interfered with in the exercise of his religion. So the absence of these two strong members, while a loss to the local organization, may after all prove to be a great blessing to the general interests of the Kingdom. It has been pleasant too to note that some of the other members who hitherto have not been so active, have in the absence of these two mainstays of the work, begun to take a much more prominent part.

NEWSPAPER EVANGELISM.

"The newspaper work has brought us 311 new inquirers during the year, while three former inquirers have received baptism. One of the gratifying features of this year's work has been that it has opened the way for meetings in two towns where we had never been before, and where we had the opportunity of speaking to good crowds. The meetings were advertised and arranged for by some of our newspaper inquirers.

"A number of new books have been published during the year well suited for use among our newspaper inquirers, and, thanks to the liberality of the Board in supplying us with funds for this branch of the work, we were able to make large use of them. One of the best books which have appeared during the year is the life of the late Mrs. Yamamuro, the wife of the leader of the Salvation Army in Japan. She was a noble Christian character full of good works, and the story of her life is inspiring reading for the Japanese girls and women. We have made large use of it among the women inquirers and it has made a deep impression. Another very effective tract was written by a young man who was very seriously hurt in an accident some years ago, and has been confined to his bed ever since. At the time of his accident he was not a Christian, but he tells how he gradually came into contact with Christianity, and of the great joy which

filled his soul when he gave his heart to Christ, and of the peace and joy he has had ever since. The book is well written and carries conviction with it, and has been especially useful among people who are in trouble, and among the sick. Another notable publication that has appeared during the year is the complete Annotated Bible. Up to this time we have had only the New Testament with Notes, but now the whole Bible has been completed, and we feel it will be a great help to Japanese in their study of the Bible, especially to inquirers who are not yet familiar with Christian truth. The price is high as Japanese books go, and so I feared that it would be difficult to sell. But I began to advertise it in the newspapers and have already received a number of mail orders from people whom I have never met. We feel that when they are interested enough to buy a book of this price, they will be pretty sure to make diligent use of it."

EDUCATIONAL WORK

FERRIS SEMINARY.

Miss Kuyper reports for Ferris Seminary as follows:

The present year has seen more changes than usual in the teaching staff of the school. In April Mr. and Mrs. Booth left for America on furlough, accompanied by two of the Japanese lady teachers, Miss Hayashi and Miss Foster. Miss Hayashi by special arrangement was granted a year's vacation after twenty-one years of continuous and faithful work in the school. Miss Foster, who had taught two years, went with the prospect of making America her permanent home.

Miss Kawamura, after having taught three years, resigned to get married.

The places of these three were satisfactorily filled by our own graduates.

Miss Evelyn Oltmans is filling a temporary assignment to assist in English teaching.

The annual Alumnae meeting, regularly held in June, was held in April and made a special farewell meeting for those soon

to leave for America. It was well attended, and there were many hearty expressions of appreciation of the work of the Principal and Mrs. Booth and the two lady teachers, and of happy anticipation of their return in due time.

In November the Tokyo branch of the Alumnae held its annual meeting. The spirit of loyalty and devotion to the school is warm and enthusiastic at these meetings.

In April two were graduated from the Higher Course; one of these was assigned for evangelistic work to Morioka, and the other to Iida in the Shinshu field.

One was graduated from the English Normal, and twenty-seven from the Grammar Course, nine of whom entered the Higher Course.

In July the use of our school and dormitory was given to the National Y. W. C. A. for their annual summer conference. This gave a large number of our girls living in the city opportunity to attend. The conference meetings were full of inspiration and help to many.

The school Christmas celebration on the evening of the 22nd of December saw our hall crowded beyond its seating capacity. The Christmas carols and recitations were well rendered in spite of the fact that, due to Miss Moulton's illness just before Christmas, the pupils had been deprived of much of her valuable training.

Six neighborhood Sunday schools have been carried on by our Higher Course girls, with a varying record of attendance. The highest record was reached at the Christmas entertainment given them at Van Schaick Hall, on December 23rd, when over 450 were present. The small presents given those who had attended regularly throughout the year were all procured with money earned by the girls in making fancy work.

During the year thirteen pupils have been baptized, making the number of Christian students forty-nine.

The total enrolment for the year is 235, an increase of 11 over the total enrolment in 1915. The present enrolment at the close of the year is 218.

MEIJI GAKUIN.

Mr. Ruigh reports as follows:

ACADEMY.

The Academy has had another prosperous year. In many respects it has been a record year. The number of students enrolled is larger than it has been for years. The total is 384. The record of scholarship and attendance has been very good. Out of the entire number 58 are professing Christians. Nearly one-fourth of the entire student body comes from homes in which one or more members of the family is a Christian. It will be seen therefore that the amount of Christian leaven in the student body is not inconsiderable. This is the more true when we take into consideration the fact that *all* the Japanese teachers are also Christians. The number of baptisms during the year has been somewhat smaller than has usually been the case. There are a number of inquirers, and we confidently expect that in the year that is before us a large number may be led to make confession of their faith in Jesus as their personal Saviour.

When it is remembered that of this large number of students not a single one is supported by Mission funds, the significance and the importance of the work we are doing become much more apparent. Every student pays for what he gets.

Regular instruction in the Bible is given weekly to all the classes. Besides this, all the students attend the daily chapel exercises. Much more might be accomplished in the way of bringing students to making a decision to confess their faith if we had a school pastor. Surely, a body of 384 students is a field large and attractive enough for any man. No doubt the right man could be found if we had the means to employ him.

COLLEGE.

In this department we have an enrolment of 28. All of these are Christians not only, but all of them are also engaged in some form of Christian service in the various churches and Sunday schools in the city.

With the opening of the new school year this coming April we are planning to begin an English Normal Course. This has been made possible by the appropriations granted by our own and the Presbyterian Boards. This new departure is a distinct advance, and we have every reason to hope that it will add considerable strength to the whole institution.

During the course of the year the new chapel and the new Sandham Hall were completed. The chapel was dedicated in April, and Sandham Hall was opened for use in September. These two additions are very much appreciated and enable us to carry on our work with a much larger degree of comfort and efficiency.

THEOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT.

Dr. Oltmans reports:

The work of this department was carried on during 1916 with no other special interruption than those incident upon the Proclamation of the Crown Prince of Japan.

Five men graduated in June, all from the Regular Department. Of these one belonged to the North Japan Mission and became pastor of an independent church. One belonged to the South Japan Mission and was assigned a field in Kyushu. The remaining three were connected with the Presbyterian Mission, two of whom are now laboring in connection with that Mission, while the third one went to Auburn Seminary, N. Y., for further study.

The class that entered in September contains six men, and the total number now in attendance is seventeen, of whom two simply attend classes without having been regularly enrolled.

During the summer months all the students went out for work among the churches, and they brought back many encouraging reports. While in the Seminary the students all have work of one kind or another in connection with the Tokyo churches and Sunday school.

A tuition fee of yen 25 for the school year in the Seminary has been decided upon, the Faculty retaining the right of remitting the fees of supported students.

It was also decided to adopt a uniform dress and cap for the Seminary students, to go into effect September, 1917.

The usual Meiji Gakuin Summer School for workers was held in June with a good attendance throughout the sessions.

CONCLUSION.

In many respects the work seems encouraging. A deeper interest is shown by many of the people, and opportunities wider and more manifold than ever before are constantly being opened to the missionary. "The harvest truly is great." And now that the North and South Japan Missions are reunited into one larger Mission, our hope and our prayer is that in great confidence and in great faith and eagerness we may "stretch forward to the things that are before." And may God mightily bless every effort put forth for the extension of His Kingdom.



SOUTH JAPAN MISSION

FOUNDED, 1859. SEPARATELY ORGANIZED, 1889. RE-UNITED WITH THE
NORTH JAPAN MISSION, JANUARY 1ST, 1917.

Field.—The Island of Kyushu. Area, 15,552 square miles. Population 8,000,000. Estimated responsibility of the Reformed Church, 2,000,000.

Missionaries (December 31st, 1916).—*Nagasaki*, Mr. A. Walvoord, Rev. A. Van Bronkhorst. *Kagoshima*, Miss H. E. Hospers, Rev. S. W. Ryder. *Saga*, Rev. H. V. S. Peeke, D.D., Rev. W. G. Hoekje. *Oita*, Rev. A. Pieters. *Shimonoseki*, Miss J. A. Pieters, Miss J. Noordhoff. *Kurume* (temporarily unoccupied).

On Furlough.—Miss S. M. Couch, Miss H. M. Lansing.

Associate Missionaries.—Mrs. Pieters, Mrs. Peeke, Mrs. Walvoord. Mrs. Hoekje, Mrs. Ryder, Mrs. Van Bronkhorst.

Non-commissioned Associate Missionary.—*Nagasaki*, Miss M. Taylor.

STATISTICS OF THE OUT-STATIONS.
KAGOSHIMA STATION. ESTABLISHED 1893.

	Com- municants		Av. Attend- ance at Sunday Worship		Rec'd on Con- fession	No. of Sunday Schools		No. of S. S. Scholars		Con- tributions Yen		Expended by Missions Yen		
			1915	1916						1915	1916	1915	1916	1915	1916
	1915	1916			1915	1916	1915	1916	1915							1916
Miyakanojo .	50	28	20	23	7	4	1	1	45	50	233	222	637	666
Shibushi	7	8	15	11	4	2	1	1	24	29	79	56	625	703
Tajiro	2	2	..	2	..	..	1	2	12	23	..	..	321	310
Totals	59	38	35	36	11	6	3	4	81	102	312	278	1610	1679

SAGA STATION. ESTABLISHED 1895.

Sasebo	104	142	48	39	22	35	1	1	237	100	865	660	507	415
Arita-Imari .	21	28	16	16	6	1	2	2	60	44	71	102	815	814
Takeo .....	..	8	..	24	..	0	..	1	..	54	..	5	..	424
Karatsu	61	42	25	25	7	5	1	1	60	50	216	213	448	346
Saga	49	25	20	18	9	6	1	1	60	54	158	161	302	403
Kurume	32	31	14	13	1	4	1	1	42	42	130	216	624	985
Yanagawa ..	49	46	15	13	5	2	2	3	51	29	156	158	522	470
Okawa	3	3	15	7	2	2	1	1	20	42	..	6	607	574
Shimabara ..	14	12	16	8	5	1	1	1	47	38	50	31	500	665
Totals	333	337	169	163	57	56	10	12	577	453	1646	1552	4325	5096

OITA STATION. ESTABLISHED 1910.

Nakatsu-Usa .	47	45	18	23	0	2	2	2	35	72	96	166	696	1082
Hiji	26	25	6	7	4	0	1	1	37	64	60	60	680	706
Beppu	21	33	18	20	3	5	1	1	42	49	131	183	1014	1062
Oita	36	45	27	25	13	11	3	4	222	295	212	175	1011	658
Usuki	20	25	15	19	5	7	1	1	91	98	94	147	955	833
Sayeki	17	23	9	7	3	7	1	1	92	117	124	109	684	849
Totals	167	196	93	101	28	32	9	10	519	695	717	841	5040	5190

REPORT FOR 1916.

The year 1915 was reported by the South Japan Mission as having been the best in its history. The year which closes the period of separate organization can lay claim to having been in many respects even better. The enrollment of our boarding schools has continued to increase at a rate faster than suitable

accommodations can be provided for the applicants; our Sunday schools report more pupils than ever; several of these, as well as one new out-station and a number of preaching places, regularly served, have been added during the year; and the number received on confession of faith in connection with our various evangelistic posts has passed, by six, last year's high water mark of 100.

The meetings in our territory in connection with the union nation-wide Three Years' Evangelistic Campaign, everywhere well attended, and addressed by Christian workers of national standing and influence, no doubt contributed much toward making this our best evangelistic year. On the other hand, the epidemic of cholera which prevailed during the summer hindered, for a time, the regular conduct of the work, particularly in Nagasaki and the sea-port towns of Oita Ken. We were not saddened, however, by the loss of any lives directly connected with us or our work.

It is with great satisfaction that we are privileged to close the year with our largest membership in our history. The addition of Rev. and Mrs. A. Van Bronkhorst to our evangelistic forces has brought our numbers up to seventeen. During the year Miss Couch and Miss Lansing have returned to the United States for much needed furloughs. Mr. Hoekje and his family returned to the field in December.

The work is reported this year station by station, in the order of their establishment.

NAGASAKI STATION. ESTABLISHED 1859.

Mr. and Mrs. Van Bronkhorst, our newest missionaries, reached our oldest station on the morning of the 19th day of October, and were located in Nagasaki for language study, settling temporarily in the house formerly occupied by Miss Couch. At the request of the city Y. M. C. A. secretary, Mr. Van Bronkhorst is conducting an English Bible class at the Postoffice one hour each week. This helps him to feel he is doing at least a little, and is learning to understand the Japanese

character. He adds: "We like Japan very much, and we are enjoying our language study, too, but we long for the day when we shall be able to go out and tell the people about Jesus Christ."

During the first half of the year Miss Couch continued her work among children and the graduates of Sturges Seminary, with the able assistance of Miss Tomegawa and Miss Tachino. In July, she left on furlough, accompanied by Miss Tomegawa.

The church has continued to develop as an organization independent of the Mission, but in most pleasant relations with the local missionaries and the school. The need of a better and more conveniently located church building is becoming increasingly evident, and at the present the members are bending their energies toward securing at least some of the needed funds. It is this church which teachers and pupils of Steele Academy attend, and in which twelve of the boys were baptized just before the close of the year.

STEELE ACADEMY.

The past year has been a very satisfactory one in the history of Steele Academy. Perhaps we can do no better than to review it in the order of the calendar.

January is a month very trying on the health, and several of the teachers felt its effects, but their burdens were taken over by their colleagues.

In February we were privileged to welcome Dr. Ibuka, one of the leaders of the Church of Christ in Japan and President of the Meiji Gakuin, the other school for young men in Japan in which our Church is interested. For three days he addressed the students collectively or in groups.

March marks the close of the school year, with examinations and commencement exercises. These latter took place in the school chapel on March 15th, when twenty-three boys were given certificates of graduation. The Governor of the prefecture and the Mayor of the city, both honored us with their attendance on these exercises.

April brings the opening of the new school year, and is always a time of some anxiety. With three private schools bid-

ding for students of the Middle School grade, competition is keen, and therefore it was with a great deal of satisfaction that we saw applications come in more rapidly than usual. We advertised for one hundred and twenty new students, and secured one hundred and twenty-one bona fide applications. This result was all the more satisfactory since one of our competitors, the French Catholics, had put up posters claiming to be the only private school not teaching religion. During the month of April our attendance rose to three hundred and eighty-six, the highest enrollment in the history of the school.

The opening of the school year generally marks changes in the faculty. Our changes this year were to our advantage. Some years ago the Educational Department decided not to recognize private schools as an integral part of the Government System. Strangely enough, what we then thought a disadvantage, in one way at least works out to our profit. Teachers in the Government service are entitled to retire for good reasons on a pension after a certain term of service. If they later take up work in Government schools, this pension is suspended, but since our schools are not fully recognized by the Government, often such teachers are able, and glad, to take service with us at a fair salary, thus having their pension to the good.

During this month the meetings in connection with the Three Years' Evangelistic Campaign were held in the city. Special meetings were held for women, students, educators, etc., etc. The results were not all that was hoped.

In May the Classes of the Church of Christ in Japan that cares for the churches in Kyushu met in Nagasaki. Most of the members visited the school, and we were glad of this opportunity to engage their favorable interest. A luncheon was given them at the home of the principal, served by the Ladies' Society of the church, led by their president, the wife of the principal of the school.

June brought the unpleasant experience of a strike among the students. It was the old story of an attempt to oust unpopular teachers. It was kept well in hand from the start. No rowdiness was indulged in, and in a few days those connected with it

were called upon to promise never to indulge again in such a demonstration while connected with the school or be expelled. The result was the loss of a number of students, and the reduction of the graduating class by one-third. At the same time it made it very plain to all our students that we would enforce discipline without regard to financial and other losses. Strikes are very common in Government schools, and, unfortunately, the students generally attain their purpose in the end.

During the summer vacation an epidemic of cholera broke out. For a few weeks the city was under quarantine. Communications by sea, by railroad, and even by wagon road were considerably interfered with. The opening of the school after the summer interim was delayed till the close of September. Shortly after the re-opening, one of the boys was stricken with the disease. This necessitated a suspension of work and a general disinfection. Fortunately the student recovered and there were no more cases.

October was marked by the celebration of the fortieth anniversary of the organization of the Nagasaki church. The church still makes use of mission buildings which it rents at a nominal sum, but it has been otherwise self-supporting for nine or ten years. Our Christian teachers and students belong to this church, and the whole school is intimately related to it. The students in the dormitory are required to attend one service each Sunday. Social gatherings, three days of evening and two days of sunrise prayer-meetings, were held. These were followed by four days of special evangelistic meetings at which Rev. Mr. Otani of Formosa preached. He also spoke three mornings to the students. After the other gatherings had been concluded a meeting was held for those specially interested, which was attended by sixty-seven of our boys.

School closed on December 22nd, and we look back upon a year that has been very satisfactory. Not only has the number of students nearly reached the maximum allowed by our charter under the Government, but the interest in religious things, as evinced by the attendance at the school Sunday school, was very encouraging. The average attendance at this Sunday school dur-

ing the last term was one hundred and twenty-nine, and on the last Sunday of the year twelve of our students were baptized and enrolled in the membership of the church.

KAGOSHIMA STATION. ESTABLISHED, 1893.

Our Kagoshima field covers the lower third of our island of Kyushu. About thirteen years ago we were obliged to withdraw our ordained evangelistic missionary, and although for about a year, eight or nine years ago, Rev. G. Hondelink was in charge of the field, and Miss Lansing and frequently one or two others of our single lady missionaries have constantly lived and labored in Kagoshima city itself, the out-stations, reduced to three, have for nearly the whole period been supervised by the missionary residing in Saga.

Some striking changes in the personnel of our missionary staff took place during the year. In February, on account of ill health, Miss Lansing was obliged to leave her work, and was not able to return to the city later and resume it, but left on furlough in the summer. Miss Hospers continued the operations of the station till summer, in spite of serious physical disadvantages.

During the first part of the year, she conducted in Kagoshima three "Sunday" schools, taught in Japanese, a Bible and catechetical class of twenty-five or more girls, and assisted the local church in their Sunday school and in the musical part of the service. She also made several evangelistic trips to Kawanabe, some twenty miles back in the country. With her Bible woman along, it was possible on each visit to hold two meetings for children, one for adults, and a fourth for the four old Christian women of the place.

At our annual meeting in the summer, since the station had been thus denuded of missionaries, it was decided to transfer Mr. and Mrs. Ryder from Kurume to Kagoshima, looking to them to carry on the city work of Miss Lansing and Miss Hospers, from October 1st to care for the three out-stations long in charge of Dr. Peeke, and to branch out into wider work

as their circumstances made possible. The results speak for themselves in Mr. Ryder's report.

The work in the city consists of a Sunday school with morning and afternoon sessions, a Tuesday school and a Thursday school, also a Wednesday class for older girls, and a boys' Temperance society; while for women a women's club is maintained, a number of regular Bible study groups are held in private homes, and there are meetings in a factory dormitory where sixty girls live. There is also visiting done with a view to keeping in touch with Christians and inquirers, and to get acquainted with parents of Sunday school children with a view to interesting them in things Christian. Since October Mr. Ryder has taught an English Bible class for High School students, with an average attendance of about five a week. Mrs. Ryder has taught some English with the purpose of gaining a hold for Christian work. She is also carrying on a weekly hymn-singing class for older school girls, which has an average attendance of 22. A Teachers' Training Class, following the standard course of the National Sunday School Association of Japan, is taught every week by a capable minister especially for the benefit of our Bible women, but with a few outsiders. It has an enrollment of four, and general attendance of six. The highest monthly average in the Sunday school was 177; in the Tuesday school, 47; in the Thursday school, 114; and in the Wednesday Girls' class, 26; a total of 364 children taught every week. In connection with the work for women there is now a list of 13 inquirers, and during the past year 10 others led through this work joined the Kagoshima church.

UNION CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION.

A new departure this year was a union Christmas celebration. Heretofore the Christmas exercises of each school and group were held separately, and even then it was impossible to invite the parents and friends of those belonging to the classes, for lack of room. Because it was felt that the Christmas season offers a unique opportunity to interest parents and friends of our children, very few of whom attend church or know anything about Chris-

tianity, a hall large enough to accommodate all the children with their parents and friends, together with the members of the women's society and the girls from the factory, was secured. An able Japanese minister gave an address on the "Meaning of Christmas," a summary of which had been printed on the program which was to be carried home. A Christmas cantata rendered by High School girls was the main feature of the program besides greetings and songs by representatives of the various schools and groups, and the strong evangelistic address. The seven or eight hundred people present seemed to enjoy themselves thoroughly, and the local newspaper gave a favorable write-up the next day.

NEW WORK.

At the invitation of a railroad man in the church, Mr. Ryder began meetings twice a month in a railroad men's dormitory. This gives him an opportunity to bring the message to about 25 men, among whom he hopes eventually to develop a weekly Bible class.

With the assistance of a Japanese pastor temporarily unengaged, residing in Kagoshima for his wife's health, Mr. Ryder was able to undertake a number of trips into the country, and to open up some new preaching places.

Special interest has centered on the district south of Kagoshima in which Dr. Peeke itinerated extensively ten years or more ago. Meetings have been held in several towns on or near the Nansatsu Railway, a private line from Ijuin to Kaseda with prospects of extension to Makurazaki. The president of the road has even encouraged the holding of meetings in the station for the railway employees. This has been done twice at Kaseda, where the company's offices are, with an attendance of 32 men each time. Tracts are always distributed freely, and it is encouraging to find people waiting for the workers and welcoming their message. On the last trip printed blank cards were used to secure the names of those who desired to apply definitely for further instruction, and there are now seven such registered inquirers.

OUT-STATIONS.

MIYAKONOJO.

Mr. Nagata has been in charge of this work for several years. He took it over when it sadly needed re-organization and stabilizing. He formulated a definite policy, and has worked hard to carry it out. During the year two attractive propositions were made to him to change his field, but that he might carry out his plans more nearly to success, he elected to remain. Last year his people paid one-third of all expenses, the morning worship averaged 23, four people were received on confession, and the Sunday school numbered fifty. In addition to more or less work in neighboring towns, Mr. Nagata speaks twice each month to gatherings of from 30 to 100 railroad men. It is a part of the policy of the Government Railroad management to have addresses for the moral culture of their employees given regularly, and at present they are very ready to utilize the services of Christian pastors.

SHIBUSHI.

Mr. Hirayama has found the work in Shibushi very hard. He has spent many years as pastor of churches in some of Japan's modern and thriving cities, and laboring in the remote interior, in a section but little touched by modern movements, has not been encouraging. He has undoubtedly done all that the conditions allow. His Sunday service has numbered ten or eleven, his Sunday school 29, two have been baptized, and about one-twelfth of all expenses contributed. He has recovered in health sufficiently to travel a good deal among the neighboring villages and the country side, and he has been well received. There is no question that his efforts have turned the minds of many, if not their hearts, to a consideration of Christian things.

TASHIRO.

The work in this wide and sparsely settled district was begun when several hundreds of people were rendered

homeless by the eruption of the Sakurajima volcano. The Government donated a parcel of land, and a home, roomy enough for the purposes of our work, was erected for Mr. Fukunaga. He identifies himself as much as possible with the neighborhood, and, itinerating a great deal on foot, keeps the claims of the Christian religion and the promises of its gospel as prominently before the people as possible. His travels take him ten miles in some directions. At his home he has a Sunday school and such other meetings as he is able to convene. He reported recently that the principal of the local school, really a very important personage in the district, comes to him weekly for Bible study. There have been no baptisms as yet, and a less persistent man than Mr. Fukunaga might be daunted, but if our business is to present and press the message of salvation through Christ to those who dwell in darkness, even to the poor in the recesses of the mountains, leaving the question of results to God, surely we can keep up this work with courage.

SAGA STATION. ESTABLISHED, 1895.

The work of the Saga station is almost exclusively out-station work. This is so of necessity. Work is conducted in nine towns by nine evangelists and one Bible woman. In addition to the care of this field, Dr. Peeke had charge until October of the out-station work on the Kagoshima field, and a generous share of general mission duties. The work has been carried on along traditional lines, interfered with somewhat by an absence from the field on the part of the missionary during May while visiting the fields of the North Japan Mission in the north-eastern part of the Empire.

The out-standing events of the year have been the loss of an effective evangelist who felt called to labor in the north central part of the empire near his birth-place, the opening of a new out-station at Takeo, the acquirement of a singularly well located and commodious preaching place in Kurume, and the reception of an evangelist from the Oita Field.

SASEBO.

For a detailed review of the work on the field we will begin with the most promising out-station, Sasebo. One year ago their new church was dedicated, and they have worked with enthusiasm all the year. At morning worship they have numbered 39 (average), thirty-five have been baptized, (more than in all the other places on the field), their well organized Sunday school numbers a hundred in regular attendance, and the congregation contributed Yen 660. to the work over against Yen 415. spent by the mission. The congregation works together harmoniously, and altogether one feels as though in a settled American congregation when attending the services. The mission maintains a Bible woman here who is no doubt very useful, tho her services cannot be called indispensable to the life of the church. The pastor goes by steamer once or twice each month to the island of Sakito where a number of his members are connected with a large coal mine. The church hopes to develop so during the coming year that it may begin 1918 as a self-supporting congregation.

KARATSU.

This is next in order as a promising congregation. There is an unusually large number of *families* in connection with the work. Sunday worship has brought out about twenty-five, and there are fifty in the Sunday school. The church was able to pay about two-fifths of its expenses. After some years of struggle they were just ready to forge ahead, when the pastor resigned, and during the last third of the year things were at a stand-still. A new pastor is to come in January. The bright side of Karatsu is the faithful work of an elder, a clerk in the District Court. He has preached, taught in the Sunday school and prepared candidates for baptism almost as well as a settled pastor. He recently presented four men and one woman for baptism and took the genuine delight of a spiritual father when they received the rite.

KURUME.

During the year Kurume has increased its contributions to the work, and the Mission has rented an excellent preaching-place. Before that the meetings had been held in the pastor's house, a place hardly large enough for residential purposes. The new place is on a very prominent street, is well adapted for ordinary church services and excellent for evangelistic meetings. The up-stairs has several rooms that fit the building for use for something in the line of institutional work. The Sunday audiences are only about a dozen, but the Sunday school has numbered 42, and there have been four baptisms during the year. At the close of the year we secured the services of a young and very capable minister to take over this work, and we confidently expect that the church at Kurume will in a few years take standing with those in the other large cities of the island.

TAKEO.

It had long been the desire of the missionary in charge of this station, to open a string of out-stations right across this field,—the middle of the island,—beginning at Sasebo and ending at Kurume. Takeo was one of the gaps to be filled. Mr. Umezaki was brought there from Arita. With his residence at Takeo, by means of singularly convenient means of travel, he visits towns like Ureshino, Kashima, Kitagata and Takahashi. In fact he has as yet no constituency at Takeo itself, but is an evangelist of the whole region. During the fall Dr. Peeke has been able to do considerable touring with him, visiting and preaching at a number of places where the gospel was heard for the first time. Meetings are well attended and there is a good Sunday school of over fifty, but there have been no baptisms as yet.

OKAWA.

This town is one of the belt of out-stations that is being thrown across the island. It lies between Saga and

Yanagawa. Mr. Tomegawa went there when it was still the rawest of raw territory, with no sympathizer and much distrust. He now is able to have a small gathering for worship on Sunday mornings in addition to his evening preaching service, and the Sunday school is a prosperous one of over forty. Two were baptized this year. The evangelist worked faithfully the first two years, but he now works faithfully and hopefully.

SAGA.

This is the city in which the missionary lives. On that account it should be the most prosperous work in the district, but it is not. It is a peculiarly conservative town, and though living there, the missionary, on account of his wide responsibilities, can do little more for it than for other towns in his care. The pastor and his wife are faithful workers, but unfortunate discontent among some of the Christians has nullified much of their effort. There are, however, a small number of sincere and devout members with whom it is a pleasure to associate. The Sunday worship calls together nearly twenty, the Sunday school is prosperous, numbering over 50, and the church contributed two-sevenths of the current expenses.

Mrs. Peeke has taken an active part during the whole year in the work of the Sunday school, and has in addition had classes in the English Bible and in singing each Sunday night.

It was anticipated that as Mr. Ryder took over the Kago-shima field from Dr. Peeke on October 1st, Mr. Hoekje would take over the Saga field on November 1st, having in mind the return of Dr. Peeke to the United States on furlough early in 1917. Mr. Hoekje was providentially detained in the home country several weeks longer than was anticipated, so that the transfer was not made till the end of the year.

As a whole it can be said that the year has been ordinarily successful, that with the opening of the new year each out-station will be manned, that the force is in the main better than for some years past, that there are no unusual problems anywhere, and that under a new regime there is promise of new activity and marked development.

OITA STATION. ESTABLISHED 1910.

In addition to 32 received on confession at the various out-stations, one man baptized by the missionary in connection with the newspaper work, joined the nearest congregation—a Methodist church. Hence our work resulted in 33 confessions, this being the first year we have exceeded 30.

Every item shows an increase. We are only four short of a total of 200 believers. Five years ago we had 92. The increase in contributions is more than 100 Yen, the average for the past five years. Growth in church attendance is slow, owing to coldness and negligence, distance of some from meeting places, and restraint upon others of parents or others in authority.

NAKATSU.

The work in Nakatsu consists of two sections, that in the city itself, and that in the country districts of Usa, fifteen miles away. The group of believers in the city consists almost entirely of women, and Sabbath audiences seldom number more than six. Even the Sunday school fails to prosper, perhaps because of the competition of a near-by Buddhist Sunday school. In connection with the Methodist church, a Y.M.C.A. has been organized, which has several times had successful meetings with invited speakers; but no promising young inquirers have recently been added to the church.

Two young men, baptized in infancy, made confession in the Usa group during the year. Attendance at meetings has improved, as well as the contributions. Until recently the members seemed backward in this grace, though they seem to enjoy abundant financial strength and social prestige. One of the original leaders of this group died during the year, full of days and of honors. The funeral was so extensively attended that it had to be held out of doors, and afforded a splendid opportunity to present the gospel to hundreds who never otherwise venture near the preacher.

Special evangelistic tent meetings were held during April, with tent meetings for four evenings, also later in connection

with the Three Years' Campaign, and during the summer, when the return home of several college men who are earnest Christians offered a special opportunity. A group of teachers in the town of Takada, near by and without Christian work, has asked for Bible instruction every Sunday afternoon, but it has as yet been impossible to take advantage of this tempting opportunity.

USUKI.

The church in this flourishing city reports an improvement in every respect, and particularly in contributions. Some interference with the work was occasioned by the cholera epidemic, but the special meetings of the Three Years' Campaign and the mid-summer bore gratifying fruits. A feature of the year was the organization of a Ladies' Aid Society, which enjoyed a visit from Miss Couch in March, and others by Mrs. Pieters later. The year was marked by an unusual number of funerals, two of them of very old people. These furnished unusual opportunities of impressing upon the public the fact that the Christian religion not only offers a unique hope and peace, but also cares very tenderly for its dead. Funerals are generally supposed to be the prerogative of the Buddhist priesthood, and a decent burial under other auspices has seemed unbelievable.

BEPPU.

The work in this famous watering-place has had a splendid year. Its numerous visitors lay, indeed, a large social burden of receiving and paying calls upon the pastor, but they also offer unusual openings for effective evangelistic meetings with well-known speakers. Among those who have spoken for us is Mr. H. Nagao, head of the Railway Administration Bureau of Kyushu, recently promoted to important service in the capital. Himself an outspoken Christian, he has welcomed Christian work among railroad men in the Island, has employed Christian men for social work among the employees, and has encouraged a movement which has succeeded in persuading one half of

the railroad employees in Kyushu to take the total abstinence pledge.

Special meetings addressed by men of this type, the eight well attended meetings numbering an average of 100, at the time of the Three Years' Campaign, tent meetings on a bathing beach during the summer, and the success of the summer conference of the newspaper work, provided a number of promising inquiries. There ensued a prolonged illness of the pastor, and the epidemic of cholera, naturally felt most here, both of which prohibited aggressive work for some months. There have been five baptisms, an increased attendance at regular services, a steady attendance of fifty children in the Sunday school, a cottage Bible class in Beppu, with six in attendance, and a Bible class of nine at the growing suburb of Kamegawa. The church building fund, which seeks contributions from visitors as well as members has shown almost no growth during the year.

OITA.

The church in Oita itself has suffered by the transfer of its pastor elsewhere, and the serious illness of the young minister who succeeded him, and for a time did excellent service. Happily he is on the road to recovery, though very definitely a tuberculosis patient. In the fall, too, occurred the resignation of an experienced Bible woman. There are encouragements in the fact that a class of "big boys" has been formed and kept in the Sunday school; that the special meetings in January, in May, in August, and during the summer, when the tent was used, all have borne fruit in increasing the number of attendants at service and of believers; and that among the several converts are a husband and wife from the artisan class, demonstrating anew the appeal of the gospel to such as these. There has also been an encouraging reduction of the debt on the church property, purchased by means of private funds, and to be paid for by the monthly rents.

STUDENT'S SUMMER WORK.

Mr. T. Kan was a few years ago an official of the Forestry

Bureau in Formosa. He became interested through the newspaper work, was converted, and entered the Theological Seminary of the Southern Presbyterian Mission in Kobe, as a student under the care of this mission. He was sent last summer, his first vacation, to work in the two towns of Hetsugi and Inukai, a few miles from Oita. Tent meetings were held when he came and when he left, the list of inquirers in the region whom the newspaper work had touched was in his hands, and he started a Sunday school in each place. Each of these is being continued, the one in Hetsugi by a Christian woman of the place, and that in Inukai by the Bible Woman in Oita. This summer work was the occasion of the conversion of one of the eleven persons reported as being baptized in the Oita church during the year.

WORK FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN.

Normally Mrs. Pieters is assisted in this work by two Bible women, but the close of the year finds her with only one. Mrs. Pieters takes large responsibility for the local church Sunday school, conducts others in Asahi Machi, among the despised "eta", the pariahs of Japan, in Wasada, south of the city, and in Inukai; and acts as adviser for still another. The school at Hioka Mura, east of the city, had to be given up because of active local opposition, it being even reported that the missionary extracted the eyes and livers of children for medicine! Mrs. Pieters also finds time for women's meetings and cooking classes in her own home, with occasional visits to several of the out-stations, upon invitation, for meetings of a similar nature.

NEWSPAPER EVANGELIZATION WORK.

Every department of this work reports growth for this the fifth year of the enterprise. On account of lack of funds it has not been possible to put articles regularly into the papers except during the latter part of the year, but the smaller advertisements offering books free have been constantly maintained, and one thousand three hundred and fifty-one (1,351) new applications for such

literature were received. The total of such applications since the opening of the work, Feb. 4th, 1912, is 4,941. The sales department, dealing chiefly in Bibles and hymnbooks, reports a business of *Yen* 229 for the year, so that the total value of literature distributed during 1916 amounts to *Yen* 955, much of it paid for from the ordinary appropriations of the Mission. The loan library association has increased in membership from 127 to 220, and 910 books were loaned. The members pay a monthly fee of five *sen*.

The annual rally took place at Beppu, August 23rd to 25th. The chief speakers were Rev. S. Yajima, of our own work at Sasebo, and Rev. Paul M. Kanamori. The work of the latter, being a clear and forcible presentation of the essentials of Christianity, was especially powerful. Forty-five persons gave in their names as having decided to lead a Christian life. The attendance at the morning sessions averaged ninety, and at the evening meetings nearly a hundred and fifty.

This visit of Mr. Kanamori led to the publication of his new book, "The Christian Belief", probably the very best popular presentation of the essentials of Christianity yet produced in Japan, in instalments appearing every other day, in the most widely read daily papers in Oita prefecture. The entire expense of this special effort exceeds one thousand Yen (\$500), but it has made the truths of the gospel readily accessible during the past three months to at least one-fifth of the 180,000 homes in the prefecture.

As a result of the various follow-up methods, including correspondence and visits by the nearest evangelist or the field secretary of the work, nineteen have been led to faith and to receiving baptism during the year, fourteen of these joining churches of our own denomination in Oita Ken. For applicants living in remote places, instruction is supplied by correspondence, and a little catechism, long in use in the mission, has been revised and reprinted.

A new feature of the work this year has been the organization of the first local branches of the "Eisei-Kwai", or Association of Eternal Life. The need is felt of supplying Chris-

tian fellowship and regular public worship for those who, living far from the churches, have been led into the Christian life through this work. The attempt is to solve this problem by preparing each week a full service in printed form, indicating the Scripture and hymns, and writing out in full the prayers and the sermon. As soon as five persons in any location apply for organization, and promise to meet once a week, a branch society is formed, and a leader appointed, who becomes responsible for the conduct of the services and a weekly report to the central office. The first of these branches was organized at Inukai, on October 31st, and the second on December 12th, at Mori, in Kusu county, a thriving far interior town where no Christian work has hitherto been done.

If the plan proves successful, we shall look upon it as the most significant development of the year in Oita Station. Hitherto our only method of establishing a permanent church work in a new location has been to send an evangelist there to live, and to have him toil for a series of years before any marked advance was perceptible; a method very expensive in itself and often very discouraging for the worker. This will doubtless remain our chief dependence, but we look to the new method to provide a means alongside of the old that can prepare the way in remote places for the coming of an evangelist, and in many cases spare him several years of his most difficult work. It is with this hope and expectation that we rejoice in the inauguration of the plan of forming these branches of the Association of Eternal life, as the final step in the development, and the full justification, of the newspaper advertising enterprise.

SHIMONOSEKI STATION. ESTABLISHED 1914.

The work in Shimonoseki station is confined to the conduct of Sturges Seminary, and such religious work as is carried on in connection therewith by the teachers and pupils.

STURGES SEMINARY.

The Principal of this institution is Mr. T. Hirotsu. It is a joint enterprise of the Presbyterian and the Reformed Churches,

so two of the foreign teachers, Miss G. S. Bigelow and Miss F. J. Bigelow, are furnished by the Presbyterian Mission and two, Miss J. A. Pieters and Miss Jeane Noordhoff, are provided by our own. With the above are associated thirteen Japanese teachers, four men and nine women. It is a great satisfaction to report that the staff contains only Christian teachers.

The total enrollment during the year was 169. The net enrollment at the beginning of the year was 130, at the close, 149. The status of our rolls gives us at present no ground for complaint or anxiety. We are likely to be able to enroll our capacity of 200 pupils, one hundred of these boarders, before we are able to adequately house them.

The second school year closed in March, and ten young women were graduated. Special or post-graduate courses in English and in Sewing are maintained. Two were graduated from the former: twelve from the latter. The ten graduates from the regular course were all Christians, and one from the Sewing Course. All had enjoyed the Christian influences of the school, and we make it a point to follow the pupils after graduation with a certain amount, at least, of the same influence.

When the school plant was put up, it was possible to erect but one dormitory, accommodating fifty girls. There are now sixty girls crowded in the main dormitory, and ten in the annex.

The Day of Prayer for Schools and Colleges was observed with happy results. Preparation had been made for some time, and when the day arrived the work of the Holy Spirit was plainly manifest. Four of the teachers and twelve of the students united with the church soon after, giving us now a solidly Christian faculty.

The Christian Endeavor Society has had a very active year. The membership is 108, and the average attendance 120. The meetings have been interesting and helpful. The members voluntarily formed a work society and pledged themselves to raise \$50 a year for three consecutive years for the new Shimomoseki church building. They meet an hour a week for all kinds of handiwork,—tatting, painting, mending, copying, sewing,

knitting, crocheting, pulling of weeds,—at very moderate prices, but they are so much in earnest that there is no doubt that they will raise more than they have pledged. One of their recent pieces of work was the painting of about two hundred post-cards to be sent to the alumnae of the two schools that were united to form this institution.

On the Day of Prayer for Schools and Colleges a large number of the girls made a decision to do some definite work for the Master during the summer holidays. The reports they made on their return were various and interesting. One girl had a Sunday school in her home until the number grew so large that she had to find another place. She bethought herself of a large temple ground near her house, and thereafter assembled the children there. She had meetings averaging seventy children twice a week all summer, and there can be no doubt that she was successful in reaching the hearts of the children. There is no evangelistic worker stationed in the parts from which she comes, and there was no one who could take over her work. However, she never forgets to mention her Sunday school in her prayers, and sends letters regularly so that the pupils may continue to be interested and be ready to hear when she returns. Tracts and Sunday school papers are being sent out once a month, and appreciative letters have come from those receiving them.

Others of the girls were not so successful. Parents and friends objected, and made it impossible to do any work. Buddhists, afraid even of such youthful workers as these school girls, did their best to draw away any who might be inclined to come to hear.

Sturges Seminary is situated at a junction in the main highways to China, Korea and Formosa. This makes it possible for Christian families in those places to send their girls to the homeland to a Christian school. Hence, we number among our pupils thirteen Japanese girls from China and Korea.

Last year we could report only two Sunday schools besides the one held in the school itself for its own pupils; but this year we may add two, making four schools in direct connection

with the school and under the direction of its teachers and pupils. Besides the eight girls who teach in these schools, one teacher and five girls assist in the school of the local church, and two others in the schools of the work of other denominations. About two hundred children are instructed each week in the four schools maintained by the girls.

During the year Miss Hironoaka has translated and published an edition of the well-known book "Pollyanna." She first prepared the chapters for reading to the girls on Sunday afternoons, and later put the manuscript into the hands of the Christian Literature Society. She also assisted in the translation of a cantata which was given at the school with success a year ago. This also was published by the Christian Literature Society, and has been used with profit in a large number of places this year.

The Christmas entertainment this year was so well attended that there was difficulty in accommodating the guests in our narrow quarters. The school chorus presented the cantata "Good Tidings" arranged by Rev. F. S. Scudder some years ago. Following the precedent set last year, an offering was taken for those suffering on account of the great war. The sum collected amounted to Yen 35.00, and tho this is not a large sum, we feel that it cannot help but be a blessing both to those who gave and to those for whom it was given.

Attention has been called above to the need that the original purpose of providing the school with dormitory space for one hundred girls be carried out at the earliest possible moment. Crowding ten girls additional into accommodations devised for fifty, and renting an additional house for ten more is not a happy solution. We must refer also to the need of a chapel. At present two school rooms thrown into one are used for this purpose. It will barely provide sittings for the girls at the daily chapel exercises. When guests are invited the school girls must give up their places and leave the assembly. The different gatherings of a social and religious nature in a school like this are of such value in instilling Christian truth and principle in the hearts of those who attend that we cannot but feel that we are losing

valuable opportunities in not having an assembly hall large enough to accommodate not only our full complement of pupils, but also others who are interested in their instruction and entertainment.

KURUME STATION. ESTABLISHED 1915.

During the early part of the year, until his transfer to Kagoshima, Mr. Ryder continued his activities in our newest station, along the lines of language study, English Bible classes, and observation of Japanese church life and work. It had been decided that, in connection with relieving Dr. Peeke of the responsibilities of the Saga Station, Mr. Hoekje should take up his residence in Kurume during the fall months; but his return from furlough was unavoidably delayed until December, and it then became possible for him to take up his residence at once in Saga. We expect, however, that during the coming year the reunited Japan Mission will be able to occupy Kurume with a qualified evangelistic missionary, to share with the Saga worker the responsibilities for the nine fields whose care Dr. Peeke laid down at the close of 1916. Kurume, therefore, remains as one of our stations, only temporarily without a resident missionary.

TRAINING OF PREACHERS AND TEACHERS.

It has long been well understood by missionary workers that in order to secure satisfactory preachers and evangelists it is necessary to train them. It has not been so well understood, at least not in Japan, that in order to obtain qualified Christian teachers for our schools for young men and women it is equally necessary to take the matter of training into our hands. Hence the title of this paragraph is the Training of Preachers and Teachers. In addition to this training a certain amount of assistance is given in both Steele Academy and in Sturges Seminary to promising pupils who find difficulty in obtaining support from other sources.

We have at present four students in the Meiji Gakuin and two in the Kobe Theological Seminary. One other graduated

during the year and entered our evangelistic work, and one resigned and entered another theological school, obtaining his support from other sources. This is not as large a number of men as we would like to have in direct training for the ministry, but the number is at least not alarmingly small.

In Steele Academy there are seven students assisted in their studies. Of these two are planning to enter the ministry. Two of the seven are assisted by individuals. Most of these are assisted with but a limited grant. In Sturges seminary there are 16 girls assisted in whole or in part. Four of these are daughters of evangelists. It is our policy in both schools to reduce the number of such students to a minimum, not using this as means of keeping our classes full, but merely as a means to prevent promising pupils from losing an opportunity for an education, and to assist young men into the ministry.

We have been training one young woman to become an evangelistic worker. She graduates from the Bible school of the Woman's Union Missionary Society in the spring of 1917.

Teachers in training now number three. One young man is about to complete a three years' course in a Tokyo school, and will in the spring become a teacher of physics and mathematics in Steele Academy. Another has entered on a course of study which will fit him to become a teacher of geography and history. He is a graduate of Steele Academy. A young lady who graduated from Sturges Seminary last spring, has entered upon a course of study in a Tokyo school with the intention of coming back to us in three years as a licensed teacher of English.

It is early to draw conclusions, but it is likely that the training of our own teachers will become a recognized policy of our mission.

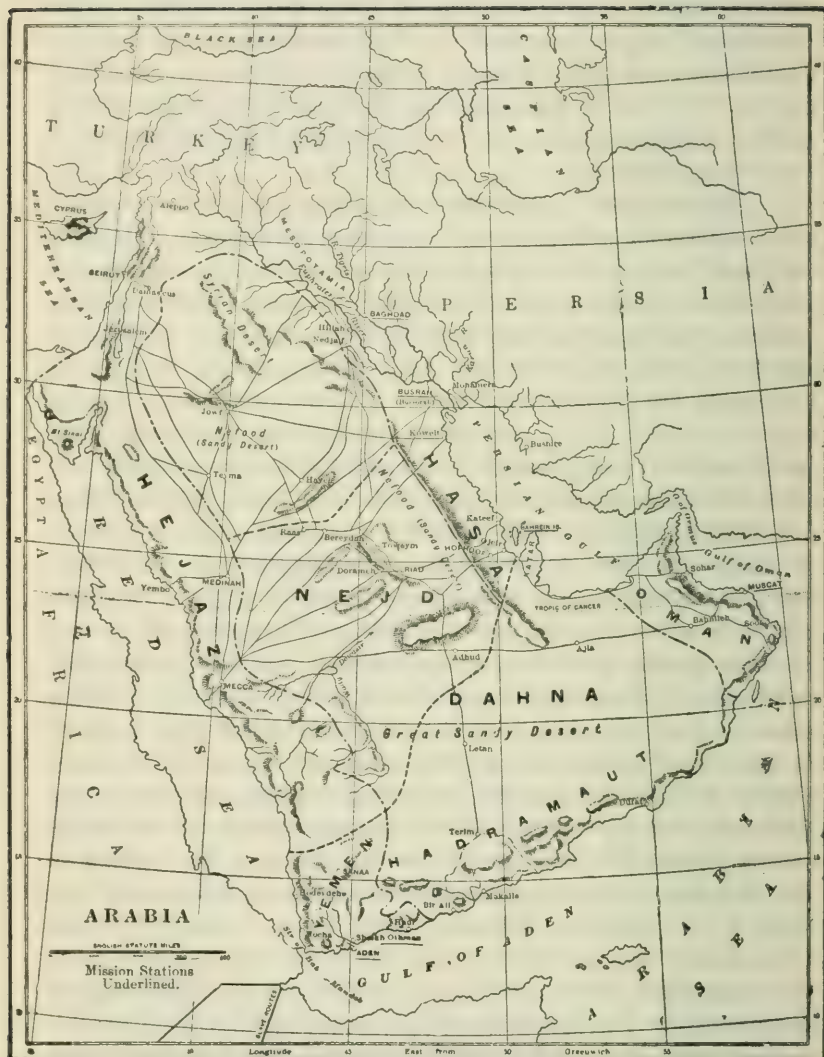
CONCLUSION.

This is the last annual report of the South Japan Mission in its separate organization. One of the results of the visit to Japan of the Board's Deputation in 1915 was the joint petition, the following year, of the two Japan Missions that they be reunited, for the sake of building up in a limited region a larger,

more compact, and more efficient evangelistic force than either mission seemed to have any hope of being able to achieve in the wide-spread territory in which the Reformed Church has hitherto attempted to occupy mutually isolated stations and preaching places. The Board's approval reached the missions in December, so that the close of the year marks an epoch in the history of the Japan Missions.

The year closes in the south with three evangelistic missionaries associated with nineteen Japanese ministers in eighteen cities and towns, all of which, with two exceptions, both in the Kagoshima field, can now be reached by easy rail connections with the cities in which our missionaries are stationed. Five years ago only seven of these cities were thus accessible to the one missionary in charge, though most of them were then already regularly visited. Every prefecture in which we have evangelistic work has seen, and is seeing, an increasing number of light railways laid from the government trunk lines up to interior towns and villages hitherto with difficulty accessible. This extension of communications accompanies a development of the whole region agriculturally, industrially, commercially, and educationally, with which it is our duty to attempt, at least, to keep pace.

The greater portion of this report has been prepared by the missionary who was first of our present force to labor in Kyushu, whose period of service has been almost identical with the time of separate organization. Remembering the day when the mission in Kyushu was confined to a single station, and comparing therewith (to say nothing of the general prosperity and wide-spread evangelistic influence of our two schools) the increase in our number of fully prepared evangelistic missionaries, the number of Japanese associated with us in preparation for Christian service, and the fact that the number of converts from the evangelistic work alone has in two successive years reached and passed the one hundred mark, he cannot but rejoice that the reunion promises to make possible an even better organized effort to discharge our obligations to the unevangelized multitudes in this island, in this day of special opportunity.



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Associate Missionaries.—Mrs. J. Van Ess, Mrs. D. Dykstra, Mrs. C. S. G. Mylrea.

In Cairo, Egypt.—Rev. Dr. and Mrs. S. M. Zwemer.

In America.—Rev. Dr. and Mrs. James Cantine, Dr. and Mrs. H. R. L. Worrall, Mrs. F. J. Barny, Miss J. A. Scardefield, Miss F. Lutton, Dr. A. K. Bennett, Rev. G. J. Pennings, Rev. and Mrs. E. E. Calverley, Dr. P. W. Harrison, Rev. and Mrs. G. D. Van Peurse, Mrs. H. G. Van Vlack.

REPORT FOR 1916.

THE FORCE.

The year was marked by the necessity of keeping our work going with a greatly reduced force of workers. The list above shows that we closed the year with twelve missionaries on the field and this also represented the working force for the major part of the year. It was the round of necessary furloughs that thus reduced our numbers. We say necessary furloughs. When the history of the Mesopotamia campaign comes to be written the real exploit will not prove to be feats of military prowess, but the problem of keeping an army at all in the country and healthy enough to fight will appear as the real marvel. The Mission has learned in length of time what the military authorities found out in breadth of experience that the best asset is the health of the workers. So it was that although the furloughs due, if granted, would cause the gravest problem as regards the work, the Mission voted the furloughs and met the situation as best it could. It was a pleasure to know that several of our members were able to serve, in the one case, not only the interests of the Mission but

also the entire missionary interests of the Church and in the other, the general missionary cause through the Student Volunteer Movement. Those who left on furlough this year were Dr. Bennett, Rev. and Mrs. G. D. Van Peursem, Miss J. A. Scardefield and Miss F. Lutton. Rev. J. E. Moerdyk returned to the field in the spring, thus forgoing a half year of the usual furlough time in order to meet the needs on the field. We were happy to welcome one new accession to our force, Miss Charlotte B. Kellien, though not altogether new. She had been among us as Dr. Zwemer's private secretary and with her experience and training she is a good accession. Miss Kellien has spent the remainder of the year at Bahrein in language study.

MRS. CHRISTINE IVERSON BENNETT, M.D.

Over against the gain of one worker we must record the loss by death on March 29, of Mrs. Bennett. She and Dr. Bennett had been allowed furlough and plans were completed for leaving Basrah in April. Only a few weeks previous an infection of typhus was brought to the hospital by some Turkish prisoners of war and practically all of the staff came down with it. While Mrs. Bennett was almost the last to be taken, her case seemed particularly virulent and after only a few days of suffering she passed away, going *Home* indeed. She was a particularly capable and lovable woman, an ideal missionary, and we feel our loss keenly. Our sympathies go out to the bereaved husband and for the young son, as also to the family in America. As soon as Dr. Bennett convalesced sufficiently to travel, he returned to America. With him went also Miss Minnie C. Holzhauser, superintending nurse of Lansing Memorial Hospital, who likewise was convalescing from typhus. She had also completed her three years' agreement, having been sent for the purpose by the University of Michigan. The Mission takes this opportunity of recording its appreciation of her character and work. Much of the efficiency of the Hospital was due to her and without her the Red Cross work in behalf of the Turkish wounded prisoners would not have been as successful as it was.

THE WAR.

The military operations of the Mesopotamia Campaign have moved far to the north of Basrah city and only a small part of our field is being directly affected by the War. Whether it is that the novelty has gone from its long continuance or that the outside propaganda has been effectively checked or that people have learned to distinguish between the name and the reality of Christianity, the fact is that none of the stations report the War as a factor in the approachability of the people. The Mission's relations with both the Military and Political Authorities remain cordial and they have both shown courtesies to the Mission and to individual members which show their confidence in us, which feeling the Mission certainly reciprocates. Some general effects of the War are telling on our work. Central and Eastern Turkey were sources of supply for native assistants. With the stoppage of this supply the force of helpers at all of our stations is at its lowest possible point for efficiency. The problem in the coming year will be to bring this part of our force up to its proper strength numerically. Along with the general rise in the cost of living which affects us all, the Mission has had to meet a general rise in the scale of pay for all its helpers ranging from 20 to 50 percent. This is a serious matter especially since there is no indication that it is a temporary tendency or that its upward limit has been reached. Moral and religious influences are rather difficult to define without going into details which are left to the station reports.

THE DEPUTATION.

When the Board's Deputation to the Church's Missions reached Arabia it dwindled to but one member, but that one was our Corresponding Secretary, who having had years of practical missionary experience knew what he wanted to see and had eyes to see it. By the courtesy of the Chief Political Officer in these parts, Sir Percy Z. Cox, Dr. Chamberlain was able to visit all of our stations which would otherwise have been out of the question. Passage to Bahrein and Kuwait was

provided on one of His Majesty's ships on duty in the Gulf. As a conference of the Mission with the Deputation was out of the question, no specific results as regards the policy of the Mission came from this visit, but we think that the widening of the channels of understanding sympathy between ourselves and our home authorities is one of the best results thereof.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

Before passing on to the detail reports of the work, the Mission wishes to thank the Trustees, and through them, the Church for the Special Fund of \$25,000.00 raised to commemorate the 25th anniversary of the founding of the Mission. We here also acknowledge the services of our senior missionaries, Drs. Cantine and Zwemer through whose efforts the completion of the fund was realized. While this sum will not "make the desert country blossom as the rose" it certainly has kept a drought off and it again proved to us that our Church does stand behind us.

BAHREIN.

The assignments of the station are Men's Evangelistic, Educational and Medical Work and Women's Evangelistic, School and Medical Work, calling for six missionaries. As no woman doctor has been available for some years but a trained nurse was on hand, she was made nurse-in-charge of Mason Memorial Hospital and most of the medical work for women passed through her hands.

In every case double assignments, sometimes treble, had to be taken by those on hand. Also that there was no continuity at all in the men's work. The individual reports show no complaints. In fact, there is the note of thankfulness, but it can readily be seen that the conditions of the year did not make for effectiveness. However, more was accomplished than merely keeping the work a going, as appears from the reports of Mr. and Mrs. Dykstra, who make report for all the men's and women's work respectively. As to con-

ditions generally, the people seem to have been less receptive than usual, although no more fanatical, except toward the close of the year, and that for a special reason. An inquirer, a woman, had been turned out of her house by her people and she came to the Mission compound, where she was kept for about two weeks. When her people found that she was staying with the missionaries they made every effort to get her into their power and finally succeeded. The case was taken to the Political Agency, but it appeared that the Mission could not offer her asylum as a woman is the property of her husband, and barring that, of her mother, so that she has no rights whatever of her own. The whole place was stirred up over the matter and the commotion affected all branches of the work, as the bulk of the inhabitants were forbidden, on pain of banishment, to come to our house, church, school or hospital. Barring this affair, a kindly tolerance seems to prevail among the people. Give them some information about the war and they are all ears, but call their attention to religious matters and they manifest much indifference. In a few instances, however, there has been opportunity to say a great deal, especially in the way of explaining the difference between a generalized Christianity, as the word is applied to the warring nations, and the Christianity which is of the heart and which knows only Christ.

MEN'S EVANGELISTIC WORK.

This centres about Bible distribution and the church services, but the circumference is wide, influencing all the departments of work and including women in its scope. Sickness and resignation reduced the staff of colporteurs to two only. One of these is kept in the shop continually. Though the sales of Scriptures are small there is abundant opportunity for conversation and discussion. The man that canvasses the streets and bazaars and goes out in the villages does most of the selling and we trust that the seed thus sown by many waters may bear its fruit in due season. As no one had affairs in charge long enough to arrange and carry out an extensive tour, nothing was done along this line. But village touring on the islands was carried

on vigorously. Many trips were made to the outlying villages and to neighboring islands and old acquaintances were renewed and new ones made and the way kept open for the entrance of the Gospel message. The total sales of Scriptures was 872 of which 12 are Bibles and 8 Testaments and the remainder Portions, and of these, 95 percent were sold to Moslems. Church Services have been held regularly, both in Arabic and English, except that the latter were suspended during the heat of summer. Some Arab women attend quite regularly while many come often. The men present are generally limited to those in connection with the hospital. All the Arabs present at the services are invited to stay for Sunday school, and a separate class is held for them where instruction is given according to their particular needs and abilities. Very few of those who have an inquiring spirit are willing to be seen with us and thus show their interest. Persecutions are many and threats and temptations of all kinds are employed, and at times faith and prayer seem to be weak in comparison. While one inquirer is pressing for baptism, though he does not seem to be ready for that step, a baptized convert has given cause for much unpleasant aspersion regarding the Way.

THE MEDICAL WORK.

Among both men and women, Medical work was carried on with its usual vigor during the incumbency of Dr. Van Vlack. Clinics were large and operations numerous, while the fame of the Christian doctor was increasingly noised abroad. But Dr. Van Vlack's leaving for Basrah in April caused a serious break in this department of work. For a few days the Hospital was closed, as we thought it unwise to continue it open for so many months without the presence of a qualified physician. But so many patients kept coming from Hassa and Nejd with the expectation of finding a doctor, that it seemed unjust to them as well as greatly injurious to the cause to let them come to a closed door, especially after they had travelled from one to two months to get here. We therefore engaged the Parsee quarantine doctor to give to our hospital whatever time was at his disposal, leav-

ing the technically medical work to him, while Mr. Dykstra also gave it a larger part of his time, assisting wherever possible. In this manner, with the help of the trained nurse and other helpers we were able to keep the hospital open and to treat all that came. For the whole year we were not without patients from the mainland, and the daily clinic was well attended. The total number of operations is 84, the new patients at clinics, 2704 and the total treatments, 5927. The usual Scripture lesson was given at all the clinics and the in-patients were regularly visited. The close of the year finds us without a doctor of any kind and we, as well as many patients, are longing for the arrival of the Mission doctor. The desire of the Mission to enter the Nejd came near fulfilment when Dr. Van Vlack received a hurry call to go to Riadh to treat the Emir. He got as far as Hofhoof when he received word that the patient had recovered and he had to return. The occurrence shows that now any time the desire of years may be granted. May we be ready to grasp the opportunity!

EDUCATIONAL WORK.

The Day School for boys has had thirty-six different names on its roll during the year, with an average daily attendance of twelve. The work of the school has in many respects been encouraging and the pupils have made good progress. There were also many obstacles and our most promising pupils are constantly drawn or rather driven away. The Persian Moslem school is still in full swing and claims many boys that would otherwise come to us. Our present great need is a teacher of Persian to meet the demand for this language. The bulk of the pupils at present are of the better class Arab boys who are being sent by their parents with the object of keeping them there till they have secured a fairly complete education. These boys are also mostly sunnis and the attendance was not much affected by the case of opposition which was due to a Shiah woman. The Night School was composed of a good many of that persuasion and here the attendance dropped by a half. This school had an average attendance of 11.7 with a total enrollment of 70. We

are working to decrease the disproportion between enrollment and attendance and during the last month they were nearly equal. The Night School gives us the opportunity of being in constant touch with some of the best young men of the place and the time put into this night work is well repaid.

The Girls' School was carried on by Mrs. Dykstra along the same general lines as last year by Miss Scardefield who stopped work early in the year to prepare for her furlough. The enrollment consisted of nine Moslems, eight Jews and three Christians. Up to the time of summer vacation the average attendance was nearly 12. Since opening this Fall the attendance has been much smaller. On the occasion of re-renting the helper's house in which the school is located, a more suitable room was secured. A new supply of books, charts and articles for object lessons was secured making the teaching more efficient. Lessons in English and Arabic included the Three R's besides Sewing and Music. There has been a class in Bible study most of the year consisting of three Christians, two Moslems and one Jewess. The little girls are still taught their Alphabet in connection with a Scripture verse. The trouble in connection with the woman inquirer emptied the school of all Moslem girls. One of them, because her parents are Persian subjects and therefore having the protection of the Agency, thought she could continue but she had to yield to the pressure. But apart from this present show of fanaticism there is also a much more determined attitude than formerly and in some way our opponents seem to succeed in keeping the girls away and even in turning them against us. Some years ago we used to get the children of the poorest. In recent years the pupils have mostly come from the better class of Persians and this is our most promising field for school work. These people seem to be more enlightened and to appreciate the value of education for their girls.

WOMEN'S EVANGELISTIC WORK.

The opportunities for work are beyond our time and strength. If we had more helpers they could easily be kept busy. The hospital nurse helped somewhat in village touring and the

schoolmistress held Sunday meetings for a while, but Mekkieh the convert, has been Mrs. Dykstra's one helper in this department. She has not only grown in grace but also in her ability as a worker. She has zeal enough but not always according to knowledge and guiding her energies and impulses has often been difficult and not always an immediate success. A total of 641 houses were visited, a larger number than last year due to the energy of Mekkieh. Of these, 275 were new ones, and in all 2830 women and girls were met. This includes visits to villages and people outside. The total of tours to villages is 28. The copies of Scriptures sold, numbered 74 and some literature was given away. Very few women can read and there is not much call for reading matter. Going from house to house has been as easy as last year and the welcomes as cordial, but we long for so much more—for a hungering after the message for its own sake. In many cases we may truly believe that it is eagerly welcomed, but the majority stop short of the personal application of Christ's invitation. Visiting the women has its counterpart in their visiting the Mission House. During the year there were about 700 such visitors, to whom the message was given either in song or from the Bible or both. There have been a number of interested inquiries among our women, one might call them converts but for the fact that they are unwilling to make an open profession. Fear restrains them from taking this step and indeed they have much to fear. The case of the woman whom we tried to protect, proves beyond a doubt that no woman can look for any political protection against the persecutions of her former co-religionists. Knowing as we do the spirit of Islam, we sometimes wonder if there will ever be a visible church here, or if all the members are to belong at once to the Church Triumphant.

MASKAT.

The assignments of the station are Men's Evangelistic and School Work, Women's Evangelistic Work, Women's Medical Work and Matrah Medical Work. This last has now been closed

for nearly two years owing to lack of workers. Miss Lutton was at the station for a few months, but her severe illness of the previous year left her almost incapacitated until she left on furlough to America.

The local political situation has not changed at all. The Sultan rules Maskat and Matrah and has more or less authority along the sea coasts. The Arab tribes are all subject to the rebel leader. Between the two factions the British keep a cordon of Indian troops, separating the two. Nor is there any prospect for a change. The Government of India will not risk withdrawing the troops lest Maskat be sacked, nor will it take active measures against the rebels at this crisis in world affairs. The value of Maskat from our point of view was that it was the gateway to Oman and the centre of trade bringing many strangers. This way is closed and trade is almost at a standstill owing to the War. This has brought another problem. As we are shut up to the population of the town and so large a portion of it is Baluchi a knowledge of their language is desirable. But besides these there are other communities using separate languages. Arabic, of course, takes us a great way, but it does not do always and the needs of these separate communities are great and appeal to us.

MEN'S EVANGELISTIC WORK.

With the field thus limited it is the Bible work that suffers especially. The sales last year are the lowest on record being only 201 copies. Yet even these cost a great deal of effort for in many cases it is impossible even to give away the Scriptures. The Matrah Bible shop was kept open till June. As the sales were so small and the colporteur not capable, having insisted on a vacation, he was let go. No suitable man having been available we have not re-opened the shop. The sales in Maskat shop were also small but intensive work was done there. The result told so well that the leaders of the several Moslem sects took it upon themselves to keep their own adherents away from us. While this kind of interference is annoying, it is also good to

know that 'there are many adversaries' and experience has taught us that these phases of opposition are passing ones and that the attack is not likely to come that way again. The Arabic services have been kept up all the time. Early in the year it was difficult to get an audience, but latterly the attendance has improved. For lack of a congregation the English service was discontinued.

THE DAY SCHOOL.

Towards the end of last year we secured an Arabic teacher and he has proved a useful helper. He is a well-trained helper from the Mesopotamia C.M.S. Mission. Arabic and English instruction was given in all-day sessions. The attendance was small, with a total enrollment of 16, all Moslems, and an average attendance of 8. The problem is to hold the boys. Parental authority is lacking and with our best efforts scholars stay a while and then disappear. However, solid work has been done and while it is anticipating the next report a little, some reward of faithful work has come and we now have an enrollment of 25.

WOMEN'S MEDICAL WORK.

We are glad to report increasing numbers and growing confidence. It was interesting this year to watch the numbers increase in the morning dispensary and to note how gradually prejudice is overcome. It is a slow process to gain the women's trust, but when we consider how very few would place themselves in our hands at first the progress made is considerable. There is yet a great deal to be done, there is so much needless suffering, that we long for the time when we may serve many more. Another interesting feature has been the way our hospital and work have become known inland. We have had women and children from various parts of Oman, from interior, as well as coast towns. One Bedouin woman heard about us in far away Hadramaut and came to us for help and found it. We are glad to think that this thing is cumulative and when con-

ditions become more normal again we will have many such patients and there also will be opportunity to tour. We have had invitations to visit nearby places already, but it is now impossible to get out of Maskat. The out-patients do not attend at all regularly so that we could begin the day's work with prayer. We wait until a sufficient number are together and then hold our little service. Sometimes this is repeated several times in the morning. There has also been growth in the interest shown in these Gospel talks. The tendency has been to get treatment and avoid the message. Of this there is less and there were times when the women listened very well and some of them have been heard repeating what was said for the benefit of their friends. We see no results yet from this work but we rejoice in the confidence that God blesses the message. The number of new patients seen in the dispensary is 793 and the treatments 2262. Twenty-seven out-calls were made and the number of patients who stayed in the hospital 18. We look for the in-patient work to develop. It is here that the test of their willingness to give up their own ignorant ways and trust themselves to us appears. Sometimes patients are willing but the women who practice native medicine, branding, blood-letting and worse things do all in their power and also succeed in nurturing their prejudices. We have been able to get a second nurse and are thus better prepared for this work.

KUWEIT.

The Station has the following assignments: Men's Evangelistic, including School Work, Women's Evangelistic Work, Men's Medical and Women's Medical Work. They require four missionaries. In addition to the regular work a dwelling house had to be erected.

The dwelling erected this year is the one for which the General Synod of 1915 completed the funds. A task of this nature requires a missionary's time for the best part of a year for one must not only be the architect of his building, but also

contractor and boss mason and boss carpenter. Thus Mr. Dykstra was taken from his station for three months' work at Kuwait after which Dr. Mylrea had to give the bulk of his time till the house was finished.

The political event of the year was the death of Sheikh Mubarek and the succession of his son Sheikh Jabr as ruler of Kuwait. Mubarek was a strong man who ruled his own territory with a strong hand and whose influence extended far to the interior. He was untutored in booklore but his perception of affairs was very keen and in the latter years of his life he threw his influence on the side of civilization and the English; his final reception and recognition of the Arabian Mission, his friendliness to its members in the face of the opposition of the majority of the leading men of the town, being an illustration of this policy. The new Sheikh also has manifested his friendliness to us. Another political event that will probably prove more and more important is the forming of friendly relations between the British representatives and the rulers of the inland tribes, as it points to the opening of those regions. The people of Kuwait have been very friendly towards us and we have done our best to avail ourselves of this disposition, in all departments of work. The force was inadequate and the time was cut into by a trip to India for health reasons with no one available to look after the station, nevertheless statistics are ahead of those of last year.

MEN'S EVANGELISTIC WORK.

The Sunday services have this year drawn large congregations, larger even than last year. While actual count has not been kept regularly, an actual attendance of sixty is a fair estimate and sometimes the preacher has had an audience of over a hundred. For the greater part of the year the services are held in the open air, in the courtyard of the house where our school is carried on. The sound of the 'baby organ' finding its way out into the street, probably attracts a good many passers-by; but on the other hand it is well known all over town that

Sunday is our day and there is a fair number that attends regularly. The keeping of order is still a great difficulty but the congregations are steadily getting quieter and less irreverent and we look forward to perfection later on. In the meantime the poor have the gospel preached to them. While Mr. Dykstra was at the station he took charge of these services, but otherwise the colporteurs and the teacher took turns. They have improved with experience in their ability to present the message simply.

Bible work in the Shop is in the charge of a colporteur who reports that the general attitude of the town is less bigoted than last year. This might be illustrated by the bearing of a relative of the ruler who formerly never deigned to look at us but now when he passes the Shop stops and acknowledges our salutations. Visitors are many and there is absolute freedom of speech inside and our men declare that they now can say anything they like. There are three general classes of those that come. Firstly those who merely want to argue and show off their learning, secondly, those who will talk on any subject except religion and thirdly, those who really come to learn what our religion is. Of these the arguers are easily in the majority. The sales are some ninety more than last year and are mostly portions of the New Testament. The Jews buy well of their own Scriptures but can hardly be prevailed to take a Gospel. Little has been done in the way of educational books as the source of supply has been cut off. One man gives all his time to the Shop. The other divides his between the hospital and the streets and bazaars of the town. There are several interesting features of his work. He had been working among a group of tailors from Hassa who are somewhat open-minded and three of them have admitted that Christ is the only mediator. He has also made his way among the Bedouins that encamp just outside the town. Last year he could hardly gain admittance to a tent but this year he is welcomed everywhere and no one has ever said anything objectionable about him or his message in his hearing. On one occasion he was asked about prayer and so he simply stood up and prayed so that they might hear Christian prayer. They approved his prayer and expressed their surprise at the goodness

of the Christian religion! As in the Shop, most of the sales outside are of Portions but the few copies of the Bible sold were real victories and we know that the owners have made good use of them.

THE DAY SCHOOL.

This had a total enrollment of 39 as against 31 last year, 30 Moslems, 6 Jews and 3 Christians. The average of the boys is about twelve and they were practically all drawn from the middle class; the Jews, four of whom were Persian, were all from fairly well-to-do families. Two of the Moslem pupils were Persians and all the rest Arab. No fees have been asked up to the present, but the innovation might be an advantage. There have been no appointed periods for religious exercises but every day, as opportunity offers, short talks have been given on religion, temperance, etc. This system seems to give less offence at present to parents. Several of the boys are always ready to discuss Christianity in a sober spirit and another has purchased a New Testament in order to investigate for himself. A persistent effort is made to inculcate honesty and we make progress slowly in this so difficult undertaking. The opposition Moslem school is not as popular as formerly and their numbers show a steady decline. It appears the Egyptian teacher they had held too liberal views on Geography and Science and he was discharged. Many parents now tell us that after their children have learned the Koran they want to send them to us. Our school here has a future if we can give it the attention and equipment that it deserves. As English is what they want we must do especially good work here.

WOMEN'S EVANGELISTIC WORK.

This work has grown extensively and while the intensive growth cannot be followed many indications show that there is growth that way. Every month five hundred women and children hear about the Lord Jesus. One hundred of these hear about Him at the Sunday services. Two hundred come to the

Hospital where we hold a little service for them before giving them medical treatment. At our home, the visitors averaged a hundred a month and in our visits to their houses we touch the lives of another hundred with the Gospel influence. Many of those that attend our Sunday services say that they enjoy the Word while they are listening but that they cannot remember it; no doubt, "the wicked one catcheth away" much of that which was sown. Or the sneering, stinging remarks of neighbors prevent the seed from taking root. Or again, as in the parable, cares choke the word, for the lives of the poor Arab women are very full of care and trouble. This comes out very often in their visits to our house. They like to come for the day or a part of the day and bring their work. Then they tell us of their sorrows and in the quiet of our home they find a little rest and also comfort through the Word. Many come for this and especially ask for a Bible reading. The Bedouins, outside of town, were visited. A beginning was made among the Suleibis, a queer gypsy-like tribe. They are not Moslems and the other Bedouins despise them as unbelievers, beggars and robbers. Their origin is not clear, they may be descendants of the Crusaders. (*Suleib* diminutive of *saleeb*, a cross).

MEN'S MEDICAL WORK.

This is a recognized feature of the life of this big Arab town and it is fair to state that its popularity is steadily growing. Our plant was improved by the addition of a new ward, 14 by 35 feet and accommodating eight beds easily. This addition was made possible by the gift of Rs. 1000 by Lieut. Colonel W. G. Grey, supplemented by special gifts to the amount of Rs. 1800. The equipment has also been added to by using the Viceroy's gift of last year for a clock and powerful lamp for the operating room. There were many interruptions during the year, in fact Dr. Mylrea could give but little more than half his time directly to this department, but by means of the helpers work went on most of the time. The total number of

treatments was 8152 of which 6166 were on the men's side and 1986 on the women's side. New cases were 2203 men and 796 women. One hundred and nineteen operations were performed exclusive of some 300 tooth extractions. Fifty-six patients spent 820 days in the hospital, or on an average 14 days each. Among these were members of the best families of Kuwait, including the Sheikh's as also some of the poorest. The evangelistic work has been kept up on the old and well-tried lines. Michael, the colporteur, has spent his mornings with the patients and has done good and faithful service. As last year, he still maintains that he sells more Scriptures in the Hospital than anywhere else, by two to one, although he spends only half his time there. Two men who showed interest in Christianity were taken into employ in the hospital but the results were not encouraging.

WOMEN'S MEDICAL WORK.

This was carried on by Mrs. Mylrea with the help of Dr. Mylrea. As shown in his report, the total treatments were 1986, of which 796 were new cases. Clinics were held three mornings a week and for the time the work was running we averaged twenty patients a day. Nearly always some one accompanies the patient, so that those who heard the Gospel are many more than the above numbers. We always begin with a short service and our audience was always very attentive. The Gospel stories which we have heard all our lives and yet are never old—these stories many are hearing for the first time and some are hearing them again and again. Surely these stories of love, mercy, truth and power must in time touch some, the dull heart of the Bedouin woman and the women whose lives seem outwardly so smooth and yet whose hearts are breaking from the weight of unhappy homes. We had four in-patients, which may seem a small number but the reason is simple. In this land of the veil, women are kept as much as possible within their own four walls. This again reacts on them so that many of them are afraid of spending the night away from home. On our part,

we have had no nurse to care for them and they find it hard to arrange for some one to stay with them. However, we have been able to help them overcome their prejudices and this feature of the work will grow. Mrs. Mylrea rejoices to think that soon Mrs. Dr. Calverley will be on hand so that the women may benefit from her medical and surgical skill.

BASRAH.

There are seven regular assignments in this station, viz: Men's Evangelistic, Medical and School Work, Women's Evangelistic, Medical and School Work and Superintendent of Lansing Memorial Hospital.

While this list seems long, it is plain that the bulk of the responsibility and work rested on a very few of the workers for most of the year. Mr. Barny's visit was arranged to enable Mr. Van Ess to tour. Circumstances proved unfavorable for touring but his presence nevertheless helped to relieve the pressure on the others. Mr. Moerdyk also assisted in this way and besides put very profitable labor on our property. For the last two seasons the floods around Basrah were high and our property suffered badly each time. He has about finished levees which should hereafter effectively keep the water out. He has also erected a small building for a nurses' home.

The character of Basrah is rapidly changing and it is becoming quite cosmopolitan. Trade is brisk and work is plentiful owing to the large works of improvements in hand by government and the needs of military transport and opportunities for rapid gain are plentiful. All this tells on the missionary problem. The death of Mrs. Bennett and the accompanying circumstances have already been referred to. This experience must be kept in mind in estimating the work of the year. No station can pass through such times without the workers being profoundly affected. The community also was stirred and many were the touching tributes from rich and poor women who claimed Mrs. Bennett as "our own doctor".

MEDICAL WORK.

Medical work was carried on during the first five months of the year by Dr. and Mrs. Bennett and Miss Holzhauser along the same lines as last year, i. e. in the care of wounded and ill Turkish prisoners of war. The hospital was overcrowded as were the workers with work. Patients were in tents and huts as well as in the hospital, filling wards, waiting rooms and passages. The typhus epidemic came in March and the place was put in quarantine with a military surgeon in charge. The prisoners of war were removed on April 25 and our hospital was released from quarantine and returned to us on June 16. The Mission had arranged that Dr. Van Vlack should take over the general work after March and that Dr. Hosmon should give the months of May and June for women's work. As our plant was not available, Dr. Van Vlack did out-patient work. For Dr. Hosmon, a downstairs room in the Van Ess house was fitted up as a dispensary. When people were acquainted with the new location, the numbers in her clinics rapidly increased. Three mornings a week were given to this and the other three days were spent in village touring, the doctor going out with the nurse and the Bible woman. Where our missionaries were known, old friends showed the greatest hospitality, lending their houses for our purposes and encouraged their friends to come and be treated. In a few places the people were quite fanatical but there also ground was broken. The total number of new patients seen was 731 with 1736 treatments. An interesting experience was the visit of both the doctors to the palace of the Sheikh of Mohammerah to inoculate its inmates against the cholera. On the release of the Hospital, Dr. Van Vlack re-organized the work. This was near the end of June. At first it seemed almost impossible to begin as all the equipment of bedding, linen, towels, etc. had been destroyed or removed. Later the military authorities replaced all losses with new material and since then Lansing Memorial Hospital has been in use to its full capacity. Since June the work has been as follows: Morning clinics were held four days a week with a daily

attendance in the latter months of about 80. Before the clinic commenced we had the usual prayers and short talk, all of these services having been taken by missionaries. The audiences were good, including practically all clinic patients, besides their friends and often much interest is manifested. Two mornings a week are given over to operative work. The records show 3051 new cases in the out-patients' clinic with 8240 treatments. Two hundred and seventy-nine operations were performed, exclusive of teeth extractions and other minor work. Four hundred and ninety-six patients were admitted to the Hospital and 395 visits to patients at their homes made. Basrah now has a Civil Hospital with several local government dispensaries, besides numerous chemist shops with doctors attached are operating. Notwithstanding all this medical service which did not exist before the Occupation which therefore might be regarded as competing, our own work has not suffered at all. An exception must be made in the women's department and we need hardly say that our great, crying need is for a woman doctor and a trained nurse.

MEN'S EVANGELISTIC WORK.

The change of regime from Turkish rule to British protection has relieved us of many problems and also brought many new ones. At present the possibilities of great and quick gains fill the horizon of all and even our men have felt the pull of the world in ways that threatened their spiritual influence. It is a passing phase and the simplification of the problem enables one to concentrate prayer and effort on its solution. Bible work was carried on as formerly. Lack of time and also lack of helpers prevented us from doing village work as it should have been done but in other respects results are above the average. The Bible Shop is a real centre of influence. The widening horizons are liable to cause the talk to be merely general. By precept and missionary visits, this tendency was checked. Discussions with Moslems and Jews have been warm, but also many have been the intimate talks on the claims and power

of the Gospel. The man who works around town has in many quarters people reading and studying the Bible whom he helps. His sales have been helped by purchases on the part of soldiers. The British & Foreign Bible Society now also sells locally from its depot and supplies several shops who carry Scriptures as a regular part of their stocks. This wider circulation of God's Word is cause for great thankfulness. The English church services were continued all through the year, saving only two Sundays when our Chapel was occupied by the Medical Authorities. They have been encouraging and helpful. The audiences change constantly. The British regiments are constantly drawn to the front, still we can always count on a number of khaki-clad men who enjoy the songs of Zion and the preaching of the whole Gospel. The Arabic church services were continued by the missionary until May when the organization, consisting of our helpers and families with a few other Protestant families of Basrah, was given its independence of the Mission. This was done to develop the sense of responsibility. The missionary administers the sacraments, but one of their own number is their preacher. The mid-week prayer meetings showed new life and recently a graded Sunday school has been organized. We look for other manifestations of true life. In general there have been no new inquirers, at least none to continue. There have been those that come, appear encouraging for a while and again disappear. The former converts are scattered, having found employment at various places. Most of them remain faithful.

WOMEN'S EVANGELISTIC WORK.

We have not found anyone to replace the Bible woman who died last year and we have had to get along with the one all this year. The opportunities are so many that this is a great pity. Mrs. Van Ess could give only half a day for this work, taking the time from her school. The Bible woman worked among the waiting patients at the women's clinic three mornings a week and the other days she went of mornings visiting by

herself, averaging nearly seventy houses a month. The year as a whole was a satisfactory one from the standpoint of friends made and people reached. As a rule it is not hard to gain entrance into the homes of the women, still we may mention two ways in which this was made easier. One was the visiting of the pupils' homes, with the 'at home' regularly held at the School, when the mothers and friends of the girls were received. The other was relief work in behalf of the Moslem Relief Fund. This is a sort of 'associated charities,' contributed to by the Military Government and by wealthy natives and administered by the Revenue Department of the Government. It is designed especially for the families of Arabs and Turks who have been killed or taken prisoners in the war, or whose support has been otherwise directly affected. Lists of applicants were sent in from each of the wards of Basrah and we went around and verified them. The object in itself was a worthy one and it opened up new parts of town to us and extended our acquaintances greatly. Mrs. Van Ess tells how she was invited to and attended a number of the 'readings' that the Shiahhs hold during the ten days of Moharrem. One must know the Shiahhs and their exclusiveness and fanaticism to appreciate what the experience meant, what prejudice has been overcome and confidence won. Women's work spells opportunity "but the laborers are few. Pray ye therefore."

GIRLS' SCHOOL.

During the past year this has been something like a child who has grown so fast that it has outgrown all its clothes before its mother could get new ones made. From November to April the school outgrew house, program, teaching staff and school supplies but was obliged to get along somehow with what had been sufficient provision for half the size. When we began in October we had twenty girls and by February the enrollment was over 70 with a daily attendance of between 50 and 60. The teaching staff of two mistresses was the same as last year. Some help was gotten from pupil-teachers and there was hope of

starting a regular normal class as there was good material among the older Moslem girls but time and strength did not permit any branching out in new work. We felt ourselves that the school had its deficiencies from a pedagogical point of view, but it did fulfil its missionary function. Every pupil who could read Arabic had a complete and thorough course in the life of Christ and all the small children had oral instruction in it. The great drawback to the real efficiency of the school is the native lack of comprehension of the importance of punctuality and regularity in the attendance of the children. Some come for short periods and leave for no apparent reason. After the first warm days of May the decrease in number is fairly wholesale, till by the end of June there are scarcely enough left to dismiss. Visitors were numerous and we have kept up our reputation as one of the social centres for Basrah's "veiled ladies." The total number enrolled during the course of the year was 93 of whom 59 were Moslems, 25 Christians and 9 Jews.

BOYS' DAY AND BOARDING SCHOOL.

The last school year began with a large enrollment in all departments. It kept on increasing until by the middle of December there were 112 on the rolls. Then, upon the reverse of the British at Ctesiphon the attendance dropped. Rumor made the reverse worse than it actually was and people began to withdraw their children for fear that any connection with foreigners might be harmful to their interests if the Turks should return. In May an outbreak of cholera and the excessive heat further reduced the attendance, which on the close of school in July had fallen to 75 of whom 65 per cent. were Moslems. Two men gave us their assistance in a very helpful manner. Mr. Blanshard, a Rhodes scholar at Oxford, in Basrah in connection with the army Y. M. C. A., gave three hours a day English instruction while Mr. Van Ess was away during Annual Meeting in the closing months of 1915. Also Mr. P. N. Corry, in school work in Mussoorie, India was persuaded to give us his services during his own vacation in January, February and March. Govern-

ment kindly gave him passage from Bombay to Basrah by transport. He assisted us materially. His fine Christian spirit and winning way made a deep impression on the boys. He set the Boy Scout movement on its feet and when he left in April this went on by its own impetus. The Military Government has continued the same liberal grant of Rs. 5000. as last year. Several of our graduates are teaching in government primary schools which is part fulfilment of the terms on which we receive the grant. Solid work was done through the year by the pupils that stayed with us. Conditions as explained were against a large attendance but the year was eminently successful in view of the excellent results obtained from Bible study. The Moslem boys, almost without exception, gained a good understanding of the life and teachings of Christ and the final examination of the highest class therein was especially encouraging. Our outlook is bright and our hopes are that we may meet the opportunity. We should have our own grounds and buildings. We learn unofficially that government will follow the same liberal policy as is done in India, viz., of granting one half of the funds needed for the plant.

AMARA STATION.

This with its out-station of Nasariyeh has again had no resident missionary and the work was in charge of Mr. Van Ess. Actual fighting has long passed beyond both these towns but they are still reckoned within the zone of military operations. Government has been considerate in allowing our men to come and go and has even provided transport for them. The man at Nasariyeh is an old and tried colporteur. The man at Amara is a graduate of our school who after trial and instruction was sent there. Both of them report encouragingly. The shops were well patronized, in fact, the Nasariyeh man's complaint was that he was always so occupied in it that he could not canvass the bazaars. They have been helped, too, by British officers, notably at Amara one such took active interest in our work, came daily to the shop and preached Christ. The total sales

for both places are 1188 of which 419 are Bibles. The major part of these are English Bibles showing that the British soldier does not merely regard it as a good gift-book but wants it enough to buy it.

CONCLUSION.

In concluding this report we commend our weak and faulty efforts to make the name of the Lord Jesus Christ known in this needy part of the world field to Him who 'chose the weak things of the world, that he might put to shame the things that are strong.' One feature in the individual reports from which this one has been made up has not been mentioned so far lest by frequent repetition the force of the request might be weakened. One and all feel their own insufficiency and their need for divine help through prayer, their own and the intercessory prayers of believers. We would not in any way make light of our needs for re-enforcements, but all our needs for men and women and money and equipment pale before our need of Him Who alone is able to bring in the Kingdom in Arabia.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

GENERAL SUMMARY, 1916-1917.

	China.	India.	North Japan	South Japan.	Arabia	Total.
Stations occupied.....	4	8	6	6	5	29
Out-stations and Preaching Places.....	48	225	31	36	3	343
Missionaries, men, ordained.....	7	7	7	5	10	36
Missionaries, men, not ordained....	6	5	1	1	4	17
Associate Missionaries, mar. wom....	9	8	5	6	11	39
Missionaries, unmarried women....	12	19	6	5	5	47
Native ordained ministers.....	17	19	5	8	.....	49
Other native helpers, men.....	105	354	12	11	22	504
Native helpers, women.....	66	215	6	6	10	303
Churches.....	15	17	16	13	.....	61
Communicants.....	2,059	3,421	774	571	2	6,827
Received on Confession, 1916.....	136	223	67	106	.....	532
Boarding Schools, Boys'.....	5	9	1*	1	1	17
Scholars.....	573	472	384*	386	14	1,829
Boarding Schools, Girls'.....	6	4	1	1*	.....	12
Scholars.....	603	353	235	75*	.....	1,266
Theological Schools.....	1	1	1*	.....	.....	3
Theological Students.....	1	28	45*	.....	.....	74
Sunday Schools.....	1	218	60	38	4	321
Scholars.....	170	8,036	3,366	2,069	55	13,696
Day Schools.....	19	208	.....	.....	8	235
Scholars.....	1,286	10,232	.....	.....	347	11,865
Hospitals and Dispensaries.....	4	12	.....	.....	10	26
Patients Treated.....	2,858†	96,793	.....	.....	22,047	121,698
Native Contributions, Silver.....	\$36,425	Rs9,844	Y.1,621	Y.2,670	Rs2,766	.....
Native Contributions, U. S. Gold..	\$18,212	\$3,281	\$810	\$1,335	\$923	\$24,560

* With the Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church, U. S. A.

† Hope and Wilhelmina Hospitals closed during alterations.

COMPARATIVE SUMMARY, 1858-1917.

	1858	1868	1878	1888	1898	1908	1917
Stations.....	6	10	11	11	23	22	29
Out-stations and Preaching Places.....	2	18	49	123	241	268	343
Missionaries, men.....	8	14	16	28	36	41	53
Missionaries, married women.....	6	12	14	21	31	33	3*
Missionaries, unmarried women....	1	.....	7	9	20	33	47
Native ordained ministers.....	.....	4	6	26	30	37	49
Other native helpers, men.....	22	76	86	173	211	367	504
Native helpers, women.....	.....	2	10	47	41	146	303
Churches.....	7	13	31	47	47	42	61
Communicants.....	297	816	1,563	4,559	5,564	5,282	6,827
Boarding Schools, Boys'.....	.....	2	1	7	10	9	17
Scholars.....	.....	55	40	308	517	1,004	1,829
Boarding Schools, Girls'.....	.....	1	3	5	10	11	12
Scholars.....	.....	46	97	300	456	766	1,266
Theological Students.....	.....	7	19	32	61	80	74
Day Schools.....	6	17	44	106	201	195	235
Scholars.....	87	413	1,341	2,612	6,059	8,245	11,865
Hospitals and Dispensaries.....	.....	1	1	.....	4	8	26
Patients Treated.....	15,507	9,673	.....	18,046	107,571	121,698	.....
Native Contributions.....	\$1,134	\$1,500	\$8,325	\$10,758	\$8,946	\$24,560	.....

TABULAR VIEW OF RECEIPTS

CLASSES AND CHURCHES.	Churches and Societies.	Sunday Schools.	Young People's Societies.	Woman's Board.	Special.	Arabian Mission.	Total.
CLASSIS OF ALBANY							
Albany, First	720 00			992 10	286 00	98 00	2096 10
Albany, Madison Ave....	715 23	50 00		1065 00	47 60	115 00	1992 83
Albany, Third				65 00			65 00
Albany, Fourth	70 00			27 00		5 00	102 00
Albany, Fifth	37 00	14 79				29 85	81 64
Albany, Sixth	68 74	30 00		23 80		10 00	132 54
Bethlehem, First.....	31 50			143 50	15 75		190 75
Berne, Second.....							
Clarksville	11 02				1 09	1 55	13 66
Coeymans				15 00		5 00	20 00
Delmar, First	37 32			77 25		13 19	127 76
Delmar, Unionville	9 50	1 44	1 00				11 94
Jerusalem	35 00			10 00	4 00	2 00	51 00
Knox							
New Baltimore	9 19	5 30		43 00			57 49
New Salem	19 83	3 79				5 52	29 14
Onesquethaw	5 00				2 57		7 57
Union, Feura Bush.....							
Westerlo	8 25					5 25	13 50
Totals	1777 58	105 32	1 00	2461 65	357 01	290 36	4992 92
CLASSIS OF BERGEN							
Hackensack, First.....	289 42	20 00		225 00	53 15	60 00	647 57
Schraalenburgh	31 44	25 00		96 10	15 00	9 06	176 60
English Neighborhood....	17 00			36 75		2 25	56 00
Hackensack, Second.....	628 57			67 00			695 57
Hackensack, Italian.....	5 00						5 00
Closter		18 41		52 00		5 00	75 41
North Hackensack.....	8 00	25 70	10 00	23 82	2 00	23 56	93 08
Spring Valley	2 86			12 00			14 86
Westwood	91 46	65 07	19 43	61 00	12 95		249 91
Oradell	41 92	45 48		88 77		66 08	242 25
Hasbrouck Heights.....	15 00			25 00	5 00		45 00
Highwood	12 00			5 00			17 00
Rochelle Park.....	5 00			12 00			17 00
Bogart Memorial.....				26 90			26 90
Harrington Park.....	28 00			15 00	6 50		49 50
W. M. Union.....				53 81			55 81
Totals.....	1175 67	199 66	29 43	802 15	94 60	165 95	2467 46

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SOUTH CLASSIS OF BERGEN							
Jersey City, Bergen.....	449 86	23 16	214 34	76 07	763 43
Bayonne, First.....	386 65	69 00	5 00	65 00	26 48	42 50	594 63
Jersey City, First Van Vorst	65 45	48 94	3 00	62 38	7 00	20 00	206 77
Jersey City, Park.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	5 00
Bayonne, Fifth St.....	229 83	42 65	18 90	121 65	3 50	15 00	431 53
Jersey City, Lafayette	289 77	58 94	26 61	36 50	.....	26 61	438 43
Jersey City, Greenville	24 16	.....	.....	21 00	.....	.....	45 16
Bayonne, Third.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00
Jersey City, First Ger. Evang.	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	15 00
Jersey City, Faith.....	60 00	.....	.....	83 14	.....	20 00	163 14
W. M. Union.....	.....	.....	.....	12 00	.....	.....	12 00
Totals.....	1520 72	242 69	53 51	616 01	36 98	210 18	2680 09
CLASSIS OF THE CASCADES							
Lynden	48 03	25 55	.....	.....	.....	.....	73 58
Manhattan, First.....	3 83	1 20	.....	.....	4 00	.....	9 03
Monarch	14 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14 00
Montana, First.....	65 12	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 00	80 12
North Yakima.....	90 00	45 00	20 00	20 00	24 10	30 00	229 10
Oak Harbor	28 50	7 00	11 00	30 00	.....	8 71	85 21
Alderson, Alta., New Holland	16 80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16 80
San Francisco, Cal.....	11 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11 00
Totals	277 28	78 75	31 00	50 00	28 10	53 71	518 84
CLASSIS OF DAKOTA							
Aurora	33 56	.....	.....	50 00	2 25	15 00	100 81
Castlewood	54 15	22 69	.....	.....	.....	10 00	86 84
Charles Mix.....	96 36	17 66	.....	.....	.....	.....	114 02
Corsica	10 00	.....	.....	10 00	.....	3 00	23 00
Grand View (Armour).....	12 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 80	14 80
Harrison	193 19	18 62	.....	141 09	.....	100 72	453 62
Hull, American.....	.....	.....	15 00	5 00	2 55	.....	22 55
Lake View.....	3 00	.....	.....	3 00	.....	2 00	8 00
Litchville	11 68	.....	.....	15 00	.....	.....	26 68
Maurice, American.....	.....	.....	10 00	10 00	115 70	2 74	138 44
Monroe, Sandham Mem'l.....	111 25	78 06	.....	50 00	22 46	28 29	290 06
North Marion.....	52 65	.....	.....	.....	35 00	35 00	122 65
Orange City, American..	443 75	.....	.....	20 00	863 50	.....	1327 25
Sioux Falls.....	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00
Springfield	82 57	15 00	.....	139 28	5 00	58 59	300 44
Westfield	156 81	31 61	147 19	72 64	408 25
W. M. Union.....	19 58	19 58
Totals	1280 97	183 64	25 00	610 14	1046 46	330 78	3476 99

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CLASSIS OF GERMANIA							
Baker	6 98						6 98
Bethany	70 00					20 00	90 00
Bethel	12 50						12 50
Chancellor	54 50			10 00		20 00	84 50
Cromwell Center	50 00						50 00
Davis	20 00	3 00				20 00	43 00
Delaware				38 50			38 50
Dempster	97 56	10 00				12 00	119 56
Hope	63 50					6 00	69 50
Lennox, Second	137 15					15 00	152 15
Logan	10 00			5 00			15 00
Monroe, S. D.	37 00					40 00	77 00
North Sibley	49 00						49 00
Salem, Little Rock	131 05	38 15	20 00	10 00		20 00	219 20
Scotland	57 80					13 66	71 46
Sibley	18 50						18 50
Strasburg, N. D.	5 00						5 00
Totals	820 54	51 15	20 00	63 50		166 66	1121 85
CLASSIS OF GRAND RIVER							
Ada	4 76	5 00					9 76
Atwood	12 09	4 45				7 00	23 54
Byron Center		73 00		44 51		53 16	170 67
Coopersville	609 85	190 70	38 07	56 75		121 53	1016 90
Decatur	30 00			14 00	5 00	8 00	57 00
Detroit	66 78	77 16		35 00		68 83	247 77
Fremont	67 39	79 22		39 05	10 00	14 36	210 02
Grand Haven, First	272 13	263 43	35 00	120 00		131 31	821 87
Grand Rapids, Third	1656 61			291 10	22 60	30 00	2000 31
Grand Rapids, Fourth	146 00	225 00		55 00	30 00	116 71	572 71
Grand Rapids, Fifth	717 77	427 56		198 83	353 00	84 99	1782 15
Grand Rapids, Sixth	75 00	42 83	5 00	10 00	43 75	40 00	216 58
Grand Rapids, Seventh	38 85	125 00	50 00	65 00	71 00	49 88	399 73
Grand Rapids, Eighth	23 46	200 00		25 00		54 29	302 75
Grand Rapids, Ninth	20 00	134 00	5 00	51 50		109 50	320 00
Grandville	93 00	100 87	10 50	53 37	20 62	87 59	365 95
Grant	28 22				4 39		32 61
Kalamazoo, First	97 65	60 89		193 25	71 43	50 00	473 22
Kalamazoo, Third	138 43	65 00		50 00		57 59	311 02
Kalamazoo, Fourth			5 00	25 00	13 43	28 44	71 87
Lamont	10 78						10 78
Muskegon, First	260 50	104 97		70 00	27 71	245 00	708 18
Muskegon, Third	15 00	11 00		10 00		5 00	41 00
New Era	100 00	31 60		19 06	5 00	7 62	163 28
Plainfield	6 00	17 50					23 50
Portage	34 40	58 00		15 00	3 34	13 00	123 74
Rehoboth, Lucas	55 82					8 00	63 82
South Barnard, Mich.	15 00						15 00
Spring Lake	90 15	92 35	62 50	15 00	12 80	37 05	309 85
Twin Lakes	58 00	63 00		17 00	9 00	12 00	159 00
Falmouth, Mich.	12 75						12 75
Fruitport Miss. Fest.	52 39					25 00	77 39
Grand Rapids Mass Mtg.	100 00					25 00	125 00
W. M. Union				22 99		26 31	49 30
Totals	4908 78	2452 53	211 07	1496 41	703 07	1517 16	11289 02

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CLASSIS OF GREENE							
Athens	67 56			26 00		45 34	138 90
Catskill	310 27			61 69		307 67	679 63
Coxsackie, First	31 84			49 50	13 73	9 27	104 34
Coxsackie, Second	124 03	17 53	7 50	62 10		15 53	226 69
Kiskatom	44 94	7 46		19 90			72 30
Kiskatom, Bethel		12 00					12 00
Leeds	12 11			15 00	4 07	5 00	36 18
W. M. Union				14 00			14 00
Totals	590 75	36 99	7 50	248 19	17 80	382 81	1284 04
CLASSIS OF HOLLAND							
Beaverdam	55 09			23 65			78 74
Cleveland, First	13 41	38 13		25 00		8 78	85 32
Cleveland, Calvary	242 88	124 56	10 00	138 15		75 90	591 49
Dunningville	24 34						24 34
East Overisel	84 69	35 93					120 62
Ebenezer	79 67	54 38		40 00		47 62	221 67
Graafschap	69 05			6 00	2 00		77 05
Hamilton	86 92	95 00	6 34	45 00		99 08	332 34
Harlem	9 25	3 50	2 00			5 65	20 40
Holland, First	345 77	125 00		79 00	158 85	668 84	1377 46
Holland, Third	1154 38		60 00	256 85	245 50	67 00	1783 73
Holland, Fourth	90 76	46 00	5 00	37 00		54 40	233 16
Hudsonville		15 95					19 95
Jamestown, First	347 82	204 04		58 17	500 00	67 38	1177 41
Jamestown, Second	386 98			95 00		187 51	669 49
North Blendon	20 21			23 75			43 96
North Holland	86 93	135 58	13 00	42 50		243 70	521 71
Overisel	728 79	505 00	20 25	162 10	16 00	766 50	2198 64
South Blendon	17 21	50 75	5 30	39 00	4 50	15 00	131 76
Three Oaks	49 00			5 00		19 80	73 80
Vriesland	52 90	112 89	5 00	60 00	20 00	78 73	329 52
Zeeland, First	387 00	261 21		170 00	40 00	80 00	938 21
Zeeland, Second	395 00	350 00		228 87	130 00	195 00	1298 87
Beechwood Mission		3 30					3 30
W. M. Union				22 99		26 31	49 30
Totals	4728 05	2161 22	126 89	1558 03	1116 85	2707 20	12398 24
CLASSIS OF HUDSON							
Claverack	28 74	7 62	25 00	93 45	9 00	16 00	179 81
Gallatin	18 33	3 38		9 54			31 25
Germantown	64 43	9 15	5 00	12 30	5 00	10 00	105 88
Greenport				35 00	50 00		85 00
Greenport, Mt. Pleasant	4 97						4 97
Hudson	292 37			63 00		25 00	380 37
Hudson, Hungarian	1 00					1 00	2 00
Linlithgo	58 59	8 00	3 47	15 00		2 00	87 06
Livingston Memorial	5 00						5 00
Mellenville	4 66	18 72	25 58	17 00	9 07		75 03
Philmont	242 17			113 55			355 72
West Copake		7 30					7 30
W. M. Union				6 66			6 66
Totals	720 26	54 17	59 05	365 50	73 07	54 00	1326 05

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CLASSIS OF ILLINOIS							
Bethany	515 80	184 51		79 00	327 57	15 00	1121 88
Blue Island, Ill.				30 00			30 00
Fairview	159 43	39 84	3 32	45 00		10 00	257 59
Emanuel	60 00	20 00				10 00	90 00
Manito				14 50			14 50
Northwestern					4 00		4 00
Morgan Park	10 00						10 00
Norwood Park			3 00				3 00
Pennsylvania Lane				4 05			4 05
Raritan	25 00					3 00	28 00
Spring Lake	9 84	1 50		2 00		1 00	14 34
Summit	98 25	37 63		5 00		38 42	179 30
Trinity	162 56		10 00			19 60	192 16
Totals	1040 88	283 48	16 32	179 55	331 57	97 02	1948 82
CLASSIS OF IOWA							
Alton	198 07	102 49		95 09	248 00	60 00	703 65
Avord, Ia.	5 17					2 00	7 17
Archer	31 00	15 00		30 00		5 00	81 00
Bethel, Leota	74 86			168 75		80 61	324 22
Bigelow	5 00			5 00			10 00
Boyden	277 26	100 51		150 00	62 50	10 00	600 27
Carmel	148 68	42 80			1 00	26 22	218 70
Chandler	69 86			10 00		26 86	106 72
Churchville	13 24					5 10	18 34
Clara City	37 25			10 00			47 25
Doon	17 19	24 05		25 00	25 00	9 81	101 05
Edgerton	86 86			5 00		39 86	131 72
Free Grace, Middleburg	31 20	50 00		60 00	39 30	100 00	280 50
Fruitland, Mesa	25 50				7 80		33 30
Holland, Neb.	870 75	100 00		135 00	70 51	367 20	1543 46
Hospers	205 00	166 25	20 00	51 00	92 25	50 00	584 50
Hull, First	1280 20	89 88	10 00	160 00	50 00	71 00	1661 08
Inwood	24 96				4 20	15 00	44 16
Ireton	2 60	12 01	6 00	5 40		8 21	34 22
Lester	10 77						10 77
Luctor	71 00	20 00		35 00		41 29	167 29
Maurice, First	155 65	120 93	14 90	65 00	319 41	2 74	678 63
Matlock	3 50	4 05				3 70	11 25
Melvin	13 23					4 75	17 98
Newkirk	981 40	150 00		35 00	166 00	90 18	1422 58
Orange City, First	1181 82	359 35	20 00	223 91	699 35	735 00	3219 43
Pella, Neb.	89 14	20 00		15 00	46 00	39 52	209 66
Prairie View	89 06	140 00		62 60	20 00	80 35	392 01
Rock Rapids	2 98					4 08	7 06
Rock Valley	47 48	25 00		67 00	3 56	59 85	202 89
Roseland, Minn.	52 81		5 00	70 00		22 12	149 93
Rotterdam	18 01			19 82		10 00	47 83
Sanborn		17 00		5 00		19 09	41 09
Sandham Memorial	10 00					83 43	93 43
Sandstone	12 09					4 75	16 84
Sheldon	82 50	40 00		90 00		70 00	282 50
Sibley, Ia.	30 00						30 00
Silver Creek	159 40			5 00		55 00	219 40
Sioux Center, First	1671 08	229 62	20 00	261 25	731 00	1047 30	3960 25
Sioux Center, Central	155 28	50 00	23 54	155 00	483 30	136 63	1003 75

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CLASSIS OF IOWA (Continued)							
Sioux City	14 06	13 72		3 75		8 50	40 03
Spring Creek.....				5 33			5 33
Steen	17 54	20 00		10 00		20 53	68 07
Twin Brooks.....	10 40						10 40
Volga	12 50					8 00	20 50
Valley Springs, S. D.....	6 60					4 30	10 90
Wichita						10 00	10 00
Sioux Center, Valley L. Soc.	35 00						35 00
Sioux County Chs.....						991 46	991 46
W. M. Union.....				19 50			19 50
Totals	8337 95	1912 66	119 44	2058 40	3069 18	4429 44	19927 07
CLASSIS OF KINGSTON							
Bloomingtondale	41 55	3 88		31 47	9 90	15 00	101 80
The Clove.....	13 97	20 00		71 60		16 65	122 22
Gardiner	35 50	5 00	9 50	33 50			83 50
Guilford				7 00			7 00
Hurley	43 39	17 50	2 25	47 81		24 00	134 95
Kingston, Fair St.....	244 20		5 00	100 00		41 52	390 72
Krumville	2 00			1 00			3 00
Lyonsville	2 00			1 50		2 00	5 50
Marbletown	5 51	5 00	10 00	27 00		46 91	94 42
Marbletown, North.....	8 75			15 00		7 02	30 77
New Paltz.....	800 00			72 38	5 50	10 00	887 88
Rochester, Accord.....				142 50	5 62	2 50	150 62
Rosendale				9 00	2 00	2 00	13 00
Rosendale Plains.....	5 00						5 00
St. Remy.....				11 50			11 50
Alligerville		5 00		3 00			8 00
W. M. Union.....				20 00			20 00
Totals	1201 87	56 38	26 75	594 26	23 02	167 60	2069 88
NORTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND							
Jamaica, First.....	548 25	55 44		196 79	25 45	166 81	992 74
Newtown		12 50		25 00			37 50
Oyster Bay.....	45 00			20 00			65 00
North Hempstead.....	50 00			25 00		10 00	85 00
Williamsburgh	14 72	30 00		107 50			152 22
Astoria, First.....	31 31	7 00	1 53				39 84
Flushing	200 00			71 60	18 33	1200 00	1489 93
Brooklyn, Kent St.....	17 83					20 28	38 11
South Bushwick.....	78 47	52 17	21 00	60 00	5 00	5 68	222 32
Astoria, Second.....	10 00			25 00		3 00	38 00
Queens	11 18	58 70		124 78	29 31	59 16	283 13
Brooklyn, St. Petri G. E.....	10 00	15 00				5 77	30 77
Sayville	9 48	7 05		10 00		16 53	43 06
College Point.....	168 82	89 00	10 50		10 00	58 98	337 30
Long Island City, 1st.....	10 52	4 56		40 00	19 10	28 00	102 18
Bushwick			18 00				18 00
Jamaica, Ger. Evang.....	13 80						13 80

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NORTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND (Continued)							
New Hyde Park.....				5 00	5 24		10 24
Winfield	10 00				2 00		12 00
Far Rockaway, German Evang.	5 00			5 00			10 00
W. M. Union.....				30 00			30 00
Totals	1234 38	331 42	51 03	745 67	114 43	1574 21	4051 14
SOUTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND							
Brooklyn, First	243 14			536 00		300 00	1079 14
Flatbush, First	668 19			815 50	30 50	105 00	1619 19
Flatbush, Grace	1169 55	12 00		127 50	33 18		1342 23
New Utrecht.....	200 19	119 37		120 00		5 00	444 56
Gravesend	69 86	91 54		283 75	15 00	103 25	563 40
Flatlands	40 75	53 20		33 00	10 00	30 00	166 95
New Lots.....				15 00			15 00
Forest Park.....	39 00			35 00	15 45		89 45
Brooklyn, South	100 00	75 00	40 00	125 00	5 00	70 00	415 00
Brooklyn, 12th St.	25 79	12 67		125 00			163 46
Brooklyn, Bethany	22 80			66 00	15 00	2 97	106 77
Brooklyn, On-the-Heights ..	215 90			377 00		645 00	1237 90
New Brooklyn.....	40 25						40 25
Flatbush, Second				5 00			5 00
Canarsie	10 00			10 00			20 00
Ocean Hill.....	11 05	22 56			5 95	5 00	44 56
Edgewood	17 70			40 00		8 37	66 07
Ridgewood	5 00						5 00
Greenwood Heights	15 00			41 00			56 00
Bay Ridge.....	69 68			129 72	16 70		216 10
Woodlawn	25 00	10 00		107 10		15 00	157 10
W. M. Union.....				63 52			63 52
Totals	2988 85	396 34	40 00	3055 09	146 78	1289 59	7916 65
CLASSIS OF MICHIGAN							
Hamilton, American.....	16 81	35 00		51 27		18 56	121 64
Grand Rapids, Bethany	352 09	64 00		614 88	206 00	114 00	1350 97
Kalamazoo, Bethany	95 00	40 33	15 00	55 00		40 00	245 33
Grand Rapids, Bethel	38 85	45 09		5 00		38 87	127 81
Grand Rapids, Calvary	32 39	20 00	5 00			14 64	72 03
Grand Rapids, Grace	177 12	175 00	5 00	30 00		46 72	433 84
Grand Haven, Second	29 57	52 50		50 00		17 50	149 57
Grand Rapids, First	293 80	73 04		2 00		210 75	579 59
Grand Rapids, Second	1017 09	145 00		45 00	284 00	168 83	1659 92
Hope, Holland	996 50	126 45		134 10	165 00		1422 05
Grand Rapids, Immanuel.....	45 12		5 13	28 30	66 55	71 73	216 83
Kalamazoo, Second.....	700 00			104 50	150 00	525 00	1479 50
Kalamazoo, North Park	12 51	100 00	5 00	31 25		40 70	189 41
Holland, Trinity.....	82 79	100 00		12 50	51 49	45 00	291 78
Grand Rapids, Trinity	80 00	44 00		15 00	60 00		199 00
Kalamazoo, M. Fest.....	70 00					20 00	90 00
New Groningen, Mich.....		4 67					4 67

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CLASSIS OF MICHIGAN (Continued)							
Pine Creek.....		3 10					3 10
W. M. Union.....				22 99		26 32	49 31
Muskegon, Second.....	41 95	81 12	35 00	60 00	10 00	22 66	250 73
Totals	4081 59	1109 30	70 13	1261 79	993 04	1421 28	8937 13
CLASSIS OF MONMOUTH							
Freehold, First.....	23 78	10 00	2 50	80 05		30 75	147 08
Holmdel	9 70	18 00		38 00		8 25	73 95
Middletown	20 20			51 51		13 68	85 39
Freehold, Second	164 25	30 40		125 00	5 70	24 58	349 93
Keyport	43 00	5 00		10 00		5 00	63 00
Long Branch.....		6 96		8 00			14 96
Colt's Neck.....	17 00			35 00			52 00
Asbury Park.....	21 19	4 75		24 75	2 00	5 23	57 92
Red Bank.....	8 00			32 00	6 00	18 00	64 00
W. M. Union.....				11 88			11 88
Totals	307 12	75 11	2 50	416 19	13 70	105 49	920 11
CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY							
Amsterdam, First	39 20	28 16		60 65		15 13	143 14
Amsterdam, Trinity	69 06			105 50	6 00	7 50	188 06
Canajoharie	36 30	11 18		15 00			62 48
Cicero	73 00						73 00
Columbia	3 00						3 00
Cranesville	5 50						5 50
Currytown	20 00			37 42	2 32	14 00	73 74
Ephratah	9 10						9 10
Florida	38 00	22 00		24 00		10 00	94 00
Fonda	42 10			45 00	11 25	10 00	108 35
Fort Plain.....	46 39	10 00		76 00		10 00	142 39
Fultonville	60 36	17 00			3 50	20 50	101 36
Glen.....	5 00						5 00
Hagaman	74 69	19 57		67 00		31 11	192 37
Herkimer	127 63	15 63		35 00	15 55	20 57	214 38
Interlaken	87 23			90 31	14 14	8 41	200 09
Johnstown	14 85	11 16		33 00			59 01
Lodi	50 00	10 33		55 00	6 85	25 00	147 18
Manheim	2 00						2 00
Mohawk				2 00			2 00
Naumburg	10 00						10 00
Owasco	8 43					1 25	9 68
St. Johnsville	45 00			65 00		5 00	115 00
Sprakers	18 50	3 15		6 00			27 65
Stone Arabia.....	12 00						12 00
Syracuse, First	110 00			190 00		20 00	320 00
Syracuse, Second	45 00	10 00		15 00	5 00		75 00
Thousand Islands.....	5 00	2 50	5 00	22 30			34 80
Utica	71 57			45 50	4 21	6 00	127 28
West Leyden.....		2 00	10 00	6 00		5 00	23 00
Totals	1128 91	162 68	15 00	995 68	68 82	209 47	2580 56

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CLASSIS OF NEWARK							
Belleville	60 67	17 93		78 41		25 22	182 23
Newark, First	100 00			55 00	30 00	10 00	195 00
Irvington	6 97						6 97
Newark, New York Ave.		22 03	1 00	29 50	6 70	6 00	65 23
Nutley, Franklin	4 30			40 88			45 18
Newark, North	987 36	108 50	30 00	2116 36	15 00	25 00	3282 22
Newark, West	12 00	6 00				2 00	20 00
Newark, Clinton Ave.	962 84			322 50	55 46		1340 80
Newark, Trinity	14 90	30 00	2 00	16 50	1 00		64 40
Linden	12 00	11 00			15 25	14 50	52 75
Brookdale	17 80		5 00	5 00			27 80
Orange, First	47 05			664 08		65 78	776 91
Plainfield, Trinity				55 00	33 56	700 00	788 56
Montclair Heights	292 50			57 50		35 00	385 00
Orange, Hyde Park	98 23			60 00	25 00	26 20	209 43
Netherwood	8 42						8 42
Marconnier	5 00						5 00
W. M. Union				55 00			55 00
Totals	2630 04	195 46	38 00	3555 73	181 97	909 70	7510 90
CLASSIS OF NEW BRUNSWICK							
New Brunswick, First... ..	232 00	100 00	11 00	72 39	40 50		455 89
Belle Mead, N. J., Pleasant View S. S.		75 00					75 00
Six Mile Run	438 36	17 25		115 00	45 65	48 82	665 08
Hillsborough	48 15	9 00		176 02		49 70	282 87
Middlebush	71 13	12 20		33 00			116 33
Griggstown	26 85	3 42		132 70		11 62	174 59
New Brunswick, Second.	800 00	83 58		137 00	39 01	115 00	1174 59
Bound Brook	93 19			53 50	8 50	12 81	168 00
East Millstone	25 32			46 00			71 32
Metuchen	320 72	19 13	25 00	54 22		104 75	523 82
Highland Park	27 48			63 55			91 03
New Brunswick, Suydam St.	275 82	30 00		597 58	25 00	15 00	943 40
Rocky Hill	19 92	5 00		10 00	6 50	5 00	46 42
Spotswood	41 00	4 58		15 00		10 00	70 58
Perth Amboy, St. Paul's.	3 00					3 00	6 00
W. M. Union				28 35			28 35
Totals	2422 94	359 16	36 00	1534 31	165 16	375 70	4893 27
CLASSIS OF NEW YORK							
New York Collegiate	12964 17	150 00	100 00	8648 40	2212 36	1431 29	25506 22
Thirty-fourth St.	75 00	75 00		25 00		45 00	220 00
Knox Memorial	374 40	39 87		55 55		10 00	479 82
Vermilye Chapel					15 00	40 00	55 00
Fort Washington			1 65	70 00	25 00	10 00	106 65
Harlem	173 72	35 00		105 00		418 55	732 27
Elmendorf Chapel	37 36	75 00	50 00	92 81	26 04	175 00	456 21

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Staten Island.....	39 90	45 00		146 00		31 10	262 00
Fordham Manor.....	26 00			60 00	6 63		92 63
Sixty-eighth St. Ger.....	35 00					25 00	60 00
Manor Church.....	16 18	10 00		25 00		10 00	61 18
Brighton Heights.....	769 06		7 80	59 25			836 11
Zion Ger. Evang.....	30 00			16 00		20 00	66 00
West Farms.....	19 89	15 28			15 35	16 12	66 64
Huguenot Park.....	5 00						5 00
Mott Haven.....	22 18	15 00	9 00	18 00		9 75	73 93
Melrose, German.....	3 00					3 00	6 00
Fourth German.....		25 00	50 00	47 00		25 00	147 00
Union, High Bridge.....	90 54	50 00	20 00	304 35	1 50	20 00	486 39
Avenue B, German.....	31 00			20 00			51 00
Grace.....	80 00	50 00		50 00		20 00	200 00
Hamilton Grange.....	114 03			135 00	152 75	44 07	445 85
Anderson Memorial.....	24 48			4 00			28 48
Comforter.....	66 77						66 77
Bethany Memorial.....	114 00	50 00		111 00	11 00	25 00	311 00
Mariner's Harbor.....		24 16			5 00		29 16
McKee, Kentucky.....				3 01			3 01
Columbian Memorial (Indian).....				10 00	7 70		17 70
Winnebago, Neb.....				25 00			25 00
Apache, Fort Sill.....	10 00						10 00
Clove Valley, S. I.....		5 00					5 00
Vermilye Memorial.....				2 00	20 85		22 85
Totals	15121 68	664 31	238 45	10032 37	2499 18	2378 78	30934 87
CLASSIS OF ORANGE							
Bloomingsburgh	25 00				61	10 00	35 61
Callicoon	18 50						18 50
Cuddebackville	4 95						4 95
Deer Park, Port Jarvis.....	480 00	50 00		25 00		17 00	572 00
Ellenville	94 15			45 00	10 00	16 00	165 15
Fallsburgh	6 55			10 00		3 29	19 84
Grahamsville	10 00						10 00
Minnisink	2 92						2 92
Montgomery	180 00			46 50		9 00	235 50
Newburgh, American.....	170 00	50 00	2 50	75 00	36 86	33 00	367 36
New Hurley.....	15 00	6 81		15 00		5 00	41 81
New Prospect.....	39 17	6 86		55 50		15 00	116 53
Shawangunk	41 19	8 00		63 71	6 00	2 76	121 66
Walden	33 14	15 00		10 00		8 84	66 98
Wallkill	68 08		20 00				88 08
Lower Walpack.....		6 53					6 53
Warwarsing	5 00			6 00			11 00
W. M. Union.....				15 25			15 25
Totals	1193 65	143 20	22 50	366 96	53 47	119 89	1899 67

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CLASSIS OF PALISADES							
New Durham.....	750 00			161 50	55 00	100 00	1066 50
First Hoboken.....	3 00						3 00
North Bergen.....	34 00	106 00		80 00	15 00	30 00	265 00
Hoboken, Ger. Evang....	31 38	45 00					76 38
Coytesville.....	6 33			27 50		1 96	35 79
Guttenberg.....				10 00			10 00
Jersey City, Central Ave.	68 08	28 00		25 00	7 00		128 08
Secaucus.....			4 50				4 50
West Hoboken, First....	800 00			52 30		15 00	867 30
Woodcliff.....	85 37					28 45	113 82
West New York Trinity.				35 00		60 00	95 00
W. M. Union.....				65 00	20 00		85 00
Total	1778 16	179 00	4 50	456 30	97 00	235 41	2750 37
CLASSIS OF PARAMUS							
Passaic, First.....	833 32	166 68		1186 46	54 37	193 00	2433 83
Centerville.....			3 55	110 97	12 03		126 50
Clarkstown.....				18 41	5 00	6 00	29 41
Clifton.....	228 42	7 58		8 00	18 53	5 00	267 53
Clifton, Holland.....	31 42	20 00		15 00	3 00	5 00	74 42
Garfield.....		5 00					5 00
Glen Rock.....		21 08					21 08
Hawthorne.....	40 00	13 13					53 13
Lodi, First Holland.....	5 50					13 10	18 60
Lodi, Second.....	9 25	14 10					23 35
Hobokus.....	28 50						28 50
Paterson, North.....	24 57				4 15	3 00	31 72
Paramus.....	101 03	73 38		99 02	10 00	13 75	297 18
Pascack.....	76 46	50 00	1 72	51 00		5 00	184 18
Passaic, First Holl.....	700 00	100 00		75 00	50 30	105 84	1030 84
Passaic, North.....	752 33			134 13	5 00	39 22	930 68
Paterson, Broadway.....	95 18	33 00		55 20			183 38
Paterson, Covenant.....	34 81	3 59					38 40
Paterson, First Holl.....		20 00	12 50				32 50
Paterson, Second.....	88 29	35 00		67 00	32 15	10 00	232 44
Piermont.....	15 00			29 00		5 00	49 00
Ramapo.....				68 41			68 41
Ridgewood.....	96 73	60 00	15 00	75 55	5 00	215 00	467 28
Ridgewood, Upper.....	44 93						44 93
Saddle River.....	9 63	3 00		5 00			17 63
Spring Valley.....	73 00	50 00		134 63			257 63
Tappan.....	20 00			95 47	17 00	1 00	133 47
Waldwick.....				7 00			7 00
Warwick.....	401 42			150 06	20 00	52 78	624 26
W. New Hempstead.....	11 10			10 40			21 50
Wortendyke, First Hol.....	19 08	11 95		45 00	7 05	11 17	94 25
Wortendyke, Trinity.....	30 25	20 00		16 00	35		66 60
W. M. Union.....				86 07			86 07
Totals	2569 24	459 92	29 22	1203 94	146 55	458 76	4867 63

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CLASSIS OF PASSAIC							
Boonton	24 16	7 50		20 00	6 00	25 00	82 66
Fairfield	2 47						2 47
Little Falls, First	124 62	39 59		17 69		31 11	213 01
Little Falls, Second	36 50	14 00		2 50	7 55	11 00	71 55
Montville	35 00			20 00			55 00
Mountain Lakes	52 81			15 00			67 81
Paterson, People's Park.		5 00		12 50	7 00	16 27	40 77
Pompton	61 12		5 00	70 39		10 00	146 51
Pompton Plains.	113 01	28 93		172 90		25 00	339 84
Ponds	5 14	10 00					15 14
Preakness	8 78			9 71	3 10		21 59
Paterson, Riverside	24 20	13 86		10 00			48 06
Paterson, Sixth Hol.	800 00			650 00			1450 00
Paterson, First Totowa	650 00				26 00	10 00	686 00
Paterson, Union	41 00	130 00				50 00	221 00
Wyckoff	12 70	7 00		5 00		15 00	39 70
Totals	1991 51	255 88	5 00	1005 69	49 65	193 38	3501 11
CLASSIS OF PELLA							
Bethany, Sully	17 13	35 63		10 00		8 19	70 95
Bethel	12 28	38 94		40 00		7 75	98 97
Ebenezer	134 91	47 95		95 90		112 55	391 31
Eddyville				15 00		4 18	19 18
Galesburg	6 60			20 00		10 00	36 60
Killduff	22 62	5 50					28 12
Muscatine	10 00	8 00	10 00	5 00		9 00	42 00
New Sharon		19 24		15 00		4 00	38 24
Oskaloosa	1 80					4 12	5 92
Otley	190 77	43 28		103 50		54 25	391 80
Pella, First	950 00	107 30		62 50		262 00	1381 80
Pella, Second	50 00	25 00	60 00	636 00	53 00	50 00	874 00
Pella, Third		25 00		743 00		50 00	818 00
Prairie City	12 24	19 22		20 00			51 46
Sully	10 00			5 00	2 52	5 00	22 52
Mission Fest.	367 93					73 58	441 51
East Prairie.				75 00		25 00	100 00
W. M. Union.				43 00			43 00
Totals	1786 28	375 06	70 00	1888 90	55 52	679 62	4855 38
CLASSIS OF PHILADELPHIA							
North and South Hamp- ton	119 55	45 20					164 75
Harlingen	117 27	1 61		37 61	4 65	44 60	205 74
Neshanic	105 29	16 80		56 25		35 13	213 47
Philadelphia, First	55 89	7 58	5 00	31 42		44 08	143 97
Philadelphia, Fourth	239 36	25 00		50 00			314 36
Blawenburg	51 60			31 63			83 23
Stanton	5 00	2 00	7 50	5 00		5 00	24 50
Clover Hill.	11 04			7 50		5 00	23 54
Philadelphia, Fifth	45 00		15 00	5 00			65 00
Addisville	43 50	24 40	2 50	28 00	3 80	14 50	116 70

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CLASSIS OF PHILADELPHIA (Continued)							
Three Bridges.....	7 50		12 50	35 63		7 00	62 63
Philadelphia, Talmage Memorial	133 70			17 50	3 50	50 00	204 70
Timmons ville, Zion.....						2 00	2 00
W. M. Union.....				10 29			10 29
Totals	934 70	122 59	42 50	315 83	11 95	207 31	1634 88
CLASSIS OF PLEASANT PRAIRIE							
Alexander	87 00			16 89		9 00	112 89
Aplington	275 00		6 00	20 00	9 15	35 00	345 15
Baileyville	35 00						35 00
Bristow	44 00	4 00			14 20	10 00	72 20
Buffalo Center.....	120 00			25 00		10 00	155 00
Dumont	64 00					8 36	72 36
Ebenezer	161 50	8 50				30 00	200 00
Elim, Kings.....	33 00	3 00	2 00	10 00		9 00	57 00
Fairview, Ia.....	28 54					5 00	33 54
Forreston	185 00	43 16				40 00	268 16
Immanuel, Belmond.....	100 00					5 00	105 00
Jeffers Mission.....	12 42						12 42
Meservey	139 42	30 00				40 70	210 12
Parkersburg	209 82						209 82
Pekin, Second.....	30 00				3 76	15 00	48 76
Peoria	22 69		5 00	11 25	24 99	11 56	75 49
Ramsay, Titonka.....	75 00			25 00		10 00	110 00
Silver Creek.....	277 94	50 92	13 00	87 67	50 00		479 53
Stout	170 00	26 76		26 00		3 90	226 66
Washington	50 00	9 50				12 50	72 00
Wellsburg	100 00						100 00
Zion, Chapin.....	92 45		11 00	20 00		14 00	137 45
Totals	2312 78	175 84	37 00	241 81	102 10	269 02	3138 55
CLASSIS OF POUGHKEEPSIE							
Poughkeepsie	259 59	60 00		384 39		73 44	777 42
Fishkill	51 99			64 75		5 00	121 74
Hopewell	64 30			50 00			114 30
New Hackensack.....	30 00			12 50		15 00	57 50
Rhinebeck	54 20	30 00		89 85		12 00	186 05
Fishkill-on-Hudson (Beacon)	70 56	35 67		76 36		8 98	191 57
Hyde Park.....	18 42						18 42
Millbrook	79 80			90 90	13 00		183 70
Arlington				5 00			5 00
Upper Red Hook.....	68 56			67 08		25 00	160 64
Poughkeepsie, Emmanuel					2 00		2 00
W. M. Union.....				25 12			25 12
Totals	697 42	125 67		865 95	15 00	139 42	1843 46

CLASSES AND CHURCHES.	Churches and Societies.	Sunday Schools.	Young People's Societies.	Woman's Board.	Special.	Arabian Mission.	Total.
CLASSIS OF RARITAN							
Raritan, First.....	340 00	87 18	10 00	150 28		67 00	654 46
Readington	38 15	19 20	5 00	48 11	3 00	10 00	123 46
Bedminster	150 60	21 33		71 78		79 41	323 12
Lebanon	103 71	43 06		46 52	2 36	11 59	207 24
Rockaway	5 00	18 00		7 70		5 00	35 70
North Branch	56 25	5 75		88 36		21 17	171 53
Raritan, Second.....				389 63	10 00	641 64	1041 27
Peapack	34 40	14 00	12 50				60 90
South Branch.....	52 07	14 05		60 00	5 87	4 73	136 72
Raritan, Third	58 53	43 24				16 50	118 27
Pottersville	4 50	2 22				8 56	15 28
High Bridge.....	19 27	36 81	5 00	20 32			81 40
Annandale	7 06	6 98	2 50				16 54
Raritan, Fourth.....	15 00					5 00	20 00
W. M. Union.....				251 41			251 41
Totals	884 54	311 82	35 00	1134 11	21 23	870 60	3257 30
CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER							
Blooming Grove.....	10 00		6 42	17 63		2 25	36 30
Castleton	70 00			5 00		5 00	80 00
Chatham	78 00	75 00		20 00		59 60	232 60
Ghent, First	5 16	13 50		66 00	10 45	7 00	102 11
Ghent, Second	42 60	14 27	2 00	36 15			95 02
Greenbush	32 50	10 00	7 50	70 00		5 00	125 00
Kinderhook	224 80	150 00	35 00	64 82		20 27	494 89
Nassau	33 05	13 25		41 00		26 35	113 65
New Concord.....	2 05			1 00	1 06	1 55	5 66
Rensselaer, First.....	13 00			27 65		7 00	47 65
Shodack		5 00		23 69			28 69
Shodack Landing.....				16 31		1 00	17 31
Stuyvesant	10 04						10 04
Stuyvesant Falls.....	5 93						5 93
De Forestville (Blooming Grove Ch.)		16 05					16 05
W. M. Union.....				16 63		5 00	21 63
Totals	527 13	297 07	50 92	405 88	11 51	140 02	1432 53
CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER							
Abbe	162 69	130 00	20 00	44 08	16 35	60 00	433 12
Arcadia	32 67			20 00		10 00	62 67
Brighton	60 75	43 00		25 00		10 00	138 75
Buffalo	119 71			15 00			134 71
Clymer Hill.....	83 56	33 88		23 75	16 11	22 23	179 53
East Williamson.....	94 04	44 60		873 00	5 00	47 50	1064 14
Marion, First	30 00	65 00		50 52		46 62	192 14
Marion, Second	64 82	65 00	15 45	31 84	10 00	54 70	241 81
Ontario	33 15	33 18	18 30	7 50			92 13
Palmyra	60 00			25 00			85 00
Pultneyville	76 19	60 00		25 00		40 66	201 85

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CLASSES AND CHURCHES.	Churches and Societies.	Sunday Schools.	Young People's Societies.	Woman's Board.	Special.	Arabian Mission.	Total.
CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER (Continued)							
Rochester, First	212 00	120 00	20 00	11 00	.....	20 00	383 00
Rochester, Second	147 78	23 94	.....	18 00	6 70	41 95	238 37
Sodus	5 14	3 97	.....	.....	.....	3 50	12 61
Tyre	63 68	.....	.....	35 00	.....	.....	98 68
Williamson	35 62	27 00	.....	.....	.....	9 66	72 28
Mission Festival.....	150 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	91 40	241 40
W. M. Union.....	.....	.....	.....	45 00	.....	.....	45 00
Totals	1431 80	649 57	73 75	1249 69	54 16	458 22	3917 19
CLASSIS OF SARATOGA							
The Bight.....	.....	7 29	.....	.....	.....	.....	7 29
Buskirks .....	.....	23 50	.....	17 37	.....	10 00	50 87
Cohoes	119 70	74 16	.....	70 19	215 00	.....	479 05
Fort Miller.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	2 67	.....	7 67
Gansevoort	2 54	.....	.....	15 00	1 11	.....	18 65
Greenwich	167 53	.....	.....	65 66	.....	.....	233 19
Northumberland (Bacon Hill)	13 96	5 94	.....	28 65	2 13	7 67	58 35
Saratoga	14 70	25 00	.....	20 00	3 60	5 35	68 65
Schaghticoke .....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	10 00
West Troy, North.....	25 10	.....	.....	64 00	18 30	12 20	119 60
Wynantskill .....	.....	.....	.....	40 00	.....	.....	40 00
W. M. Union.....	.....	.....	.....	15 00	.....	.....	15 00
Totals	348 53	135 89	.....	345 87	242 81	35 22	1108 32
CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY							
Altamont	20 53	.....	.....	52 00	.....	5 00	77 53
Amity (Vischer's Ferry)	2 03	.....	.....	21 00	.....	.....	23 03
Glenville, First	10 00	.....	.....	73 00	.....	7 50	90 50
Heldenburg	24 47	.....	.....	75 00	5 00	2 43	106 90
Lisha's Kill .....	.....	15 53	.....	44 00	.....	.....	59 53
Niskayuna	105 00	.....	7 50	137 39	.....	5 00	254 89
Princetown	11 00	.....	.....	35 00	2 37	.....	48 37
Rotterdam, First	24 84	.....	.....	121 20	3 75	.....	149 79
Rotterdam, Second	20 07	.....	.....	63 22	.....	.....	83 29
Schenectady, First	97 31	.....	.....	175 30	15 00	25 56	313 17
Schenectady, Second	441 44	51 55	3 30	160 00	.....	.....	656 29
Schenectady, Bellevue	105 00	20 05	.....	250 58	55 69	18 93	450 25
Schenectady, Mt. Pleasant	25 00	.....	8 60	83 13	.....	3 00	119 73
Scotia	166 00	13 10	.....	96 50	7 40	15 00	298 00
Woodlawn	12 12	14 00	2 45	28 57
W. M. Union.....	28 00	28 00
Totals	1064 81	100 23	19 40	1429 32	89 21	84 87	2787 84

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CLASSES AND CHURCHES.	Churches and Societies.	Sunday Schools.	Young People's Societies.	Woman's Board.	Special.	Arabian Mission.	Total.
CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE							
Berne	24 16			25 67	11 50		61 33
Cobleskill	24 72			70 50	9 75	8 11	113 08
Gilboa					51		51
Howe's Cave, First	32 79				3 85	5 45	42 09
Howe's Cave, Second	30 00	3 50	88	16 50		5 00	55 88
Lawyersville	23 50			24 56			48 06
Middleburgh	30 00		5 00	16 00	14 90	23 60	89 50
North Blenheim				5 00			5 00
Schoharie	41 67	17 00		10 00		10 00	78 67
Sharon	20 04			12 00			32 04
W. M. Union				10 10			10 10
Totals	226 88	20 50	5 88	190 33	40 51	52 16	536 26
CLASSIS OF ULSTER							
Blue Mountain				30 00			30 00
Comforter	18 07	30 00	5 00	11 50		4 80	69 37
Esopus				5 00		5 00	10 00
Flatbush		7 00		22 61	2 50		32 11
High Woods	9 40					2 04	11 44
Jay Gould Memorial	20 07			19 38			39 45
Katsbaan	10 61	1 75					12 36
Kingston, First	203 24	215 00		199 00		35 00	652 24
Port Ewen	11 71	11 23	2 63	12 80		6 57	44 94
Plattekill	21 72	4 00				12 35	38 07
Saugerties	83 28	10 00		36 25			129 53
Shokan						5 00	5 00
West Hurley	9 00						9 00
Woodstock	17 00			4 00			21 00
Totals	404 10	278 98	7 63	340 54	2 50	70 76	1104 51
CLASSIS OF WESTCHESTER							
Bronxville	150 00	57 34		301 99		415 75	925 08
Cortlandtown	38 67			68 22	6 10	3 00	115 99
Crescent Place, Yonkers	10 00						10 00
Greenburgh	65 00			30 00	14 00	50 00	159 00
Greenville				23 00	2 23	3 00	28 23
Hastings	9 98	10 00					19 98
Hungarian, Peekskill	15 00						15 00
Mount Vernon	136 72	60 00		224 31	13 40	48 20	482 63
Mill Square, Yonkers	10 00			4 00		7 00	21 00
Nyack	151 28	15 81		256 00	19 19	27 05	469 33
Park Hill, Yonkers	512 00	13 39		185 00		72 60	782 99
Peekskill	18 00			10 00	2 50		30 50
Scarsdale	10 45						10 45
Tarrytown, First	400 92	39 29		278 25	18 26	50 76	787 48
Tarrytown, Second	75 08	9 23	5 00	93 00		5 00	187 31
Unionville	8 00			21 00		2 00	31 00
Yonkers, First				91 00		7 00	98 00
W. M. Union				9 37		9 36	18 73
Totals	1611 10	205 06	5 00	1595 14	75 68	700 72	4192 70

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CLASSES AND CHURCHES.	Churches and Societies.	Sunday Schools.	Young People's Societies.	Woman's Board.	Special.	Arabian Mission.	Total.
CLASSIS OF WISCONSIN							
Alto	517 12	140 70	29 12	166 50	823 75	700 00	2377 19
Baldwin	91 47	15 42		115 00	287 50	44 75	554 14
Cedar Grove	325 00		13 96	109 28	413 00	99 00	960 24
Chicago, First	210 85	100 00	20 00	137 79		169 64	638 28
Chicago, West Side	23 11	52 25		15 00		61 14	151 50
Danforth	7 75	48 85	10 00	20 00		7 55	94 15
De Mott	52 35					13 23	65 58
Ebenezer, Morrison	344 50	38 00		67 30		67 05	516 85
Englewood, First	130 01	252 68	10 00	35 00		185 10	612 79
Englewood, Second	43 89	86 27		106 87	36 00	47 96	320 99
Forrestville	7 61					7 00	14 61
Fulton, First	296 66	47 92		45 00		39 42	429 00
Fulton, Second	279 60	48 91				27 75	356 26
Gano	51 25	20 00		10 00		57 25	138 50
Gibbsville	342 64	85 00	25 00	85 00	366 65	101 83	1066 12
Greenleafton	177 01	136 65		45 00	17 50	86 13	462 29
Hingham	62 66	30 00	7 50	72 50	15 88	38 80	227 34
Sheboygan, Hope	21 00	32 00	7 80	21 00	5 00	7 50	94 30
Indianapolis	10 00			3 75		2 00	15 75
Lafayette	28 68	8 25		10 35		6 06	53 34
Lansing	115 00	78 78		30 00	100 00	39 81	363 59
Milwaukee, First	154 13	80 00	10 00	189 50		110 00	543 63
Mt. Greenwood	30 30	9 57		20 00		12 40	52 27
Newton, Zion	61 40	6 86		50 00		5 60	93 86
Oostburg	78 66	18 77				29 08	176 51
Randolph	28 36					19 36	47 72
Friesland	136 00			101 87		42 00	279 87
Roseland, First	646 29	312 38		43 75	34 50	1400 00	2436 92
Sheboygan Falls	26 36			21 60		28 72	76 68
South Holland	555 03	283 64	60 00	70 00	50 00	228 43	1247 10
Spring Valley, Ustick	46 36			20 00		8 78	75 14
Waupun	118 11	200 00	56 00	72 61	200 50	215 89	863 11
Wichert	30 00	13 00		30 00		15 58	88 58
Sheboygan Co. M. Fest. ..	83 70					21 00	104 70
Whiteside Co. M. Fest. ..	139 08					16 00	155 08
W. M. Union				42 73			42 73
Totals	5271 94	2145 90	249 38	1757 40	2350 28	3961 81	15736 71

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CLASSES AND CHURCHES.	Churches and Societies.	Sunday Schools.	Young People's Societies.	Woman's Board.	Special.	Arabian Mission.	Total.
Albany	1777 58	105 32	1 00	2461 65	357 01	290 36	4992 92
Greene	590 75	36 99	7 50	248 19	17 80	382 81	1284 04
Montgomery	1128 91	162 68	15 00	995 68	68 82	209 47	2580 56
Rensselaer	527 13	297 07	50 92	405 88	11 51	140 02	1432 53
Rochester	1431 80	649 57	73 75	1249 69	54 16	458 22	3917 19
Saratoga	348 53	135 89	.....	345 87	242 81	35 22	1108 32
Schenectady	1064 81	100 23	19 40	1429 32	89 21	84 87	2787 84
Schoharie	226 88	20 50	5 88	190 33	40 51	52 16	536 26
Ulster	404 10	278 98	7 63	340 54	2 50	70 76	1104 51
Totals	7500 49	1787 23	181 08	7667 15	884 33	1723 89	19744 17
Cascades	277 28	78 75	31 00	50 00	28 10	53 71	518 84
Dakota	1280 97	183 64	25 00	610 14	1046 46	330 78	3476 99
Germania	820 54	51 15	20 00	63 50	.....	166 66	1121 85
Grand River	4908 78	2452 53	211 07	1496 41	703 07	1517 16	11289 02
Holland	4728 05	2161 22	126 89	1558 03	1116 85	2707 20	12398 24
Illinois	1040 88	283 48	16 32	179 55	331 57	97 02	1948 82
Iowa	8337 95	1912 66	119 44	2058 40	3069 18	4429 44	19927 07
Michigan	4081 59	1109 30	70 13	1261 79	993 04	1421 28	8937 13
Pella	1786 28	375 06	70 00	1888 90	55 52	679 62	4855 38
Pleasant Prairie	2312 78	175 84	37 00	241 81	102 10	269 02	3138 55
Wisconsin	5271 94	2145 90	249 38	1757 40	2350 28	3961 81	15736 71
Totals	34847 04	10929 53	976 23	11165 93	9796 17	15633 70	83348 60
Bergen	1175 67	199 66	29 43	802 15	94 60	165 95	2467 46
Bergen, South	1520 72	242 69	53 51	616 01	36 98	210 18	2680 09
Monmouth	307 12	75 11	2 50	416 19	13 70	105 49	920 11
Newark	2630 04	195 46	38 00	3555 73	181 97	909 70	7510 90
New Brunswick	2422 94	359 16	36 00	1534 31	165 16	375 70	4893 27
Palisades	1778 16	179 00	4 50	456 30	97 00	235 41	2750 37
Paramus	2569 24	459 92	29 22	1203 94	146 55	458 76	4867 63
Passaic	1991 51	255 88	5 00	1005 69	49 65	193 38	3501 11
Philadelphia	934 70	122 59	42 50	315 83	11 95	207 31	1634 88
Raritan	884 54	311 82	35 00	1134 11	21 23	870 60	3257 30
Totals	16214 64	2401 29	275 66	11040 26	818 79	3732 48	34483 12
Hudson	720 26	54 17	59 05	365 50	73 07	54 00	1326 05
Kingston	1201 87	56 38	26 75	594 26	23 02	167 60	2069 88
North Long Island	1234 38	331 42	51 03	745 67	114 43	1574 21	4051 14
South Long Island	2988 85	396 34	40 00	3055 09	146 78	1289 59	7916 65
New York	15121 68	664 31	238 45	10032 37	2499 18	2378 78	30934 77
Orange	1193 65	143 20	22 50	366 96	53 47	119 89	1899 67
Poughkeepsie	697 42	125 67	.....	865 95	15 00	139 42	1843 46
Westchester	1611 10	205 06	5 00	1595 14	75 68	700 72	4192 70
Totals	24769 21	1976 55	442 78	17620 94	3000 63	6424 21	54234 32
Grand Totals	83331 38	17094 60	1875 75	47494 28	14499 92	27514 28	191810 21

FROM INDIVIDUALS—NOT THROUGH CHURCHES

A Friend of Missions.....	\$3 00	Dickinson, E. E.	10 00
Allen, I. L.	5 00	Douglas, F. H.	50 00
"A Member, Alto, Wis."....	100 00	"D. S. M.".....	30 00
American Bible Society.....	150 00	Dubbink, Miss Jennie.....	5 00
"Anonymously"	50 00	Dumont, Mrs. E. A.....	100 00
"A Western Family".....	500 00	Dunning, C. S.....	50 00
Baldwin, Wm. H.....	2 00	Durfee, Mrs.	5 00
Baron, Mr. and Mrs. Bert.	2 00	Duryee, Miss Mary O.....	10 00
Beard, G.	2 50	Dykstra, John	10 00
Beekman, Dr. John B.....	50 00	"E. G. R.".....	25 00
Benedict, G. F.	25 00	Eppink, Mrs. H., Dec'd....	50 00
Bennett, Isaac	1 00	"E. W. New Jersey".....	10 00
Blekkink, A.	2 00	Fielding, J. H.	1 00
Bloom, C. C.....	2 00	Fisher, Miss A. V. W.....	150 00
Boersma, A.	10 00	Forsyth, Mrs. John.....	10 00
Boersma, Miss Kate.....	1 00	Fortmann, Albert.....	5 00
Booth, Rev. E. S.	5 00	Friend	1 00
Braafhart, Mr. & Mrs. John	25 00	Friend	1 00
Braat, John J.....	5 00	Friend	2 00
Bush, Rev. B. J.....	50 00	Friend	100 00
Burlingame, Mrs. J. A....	5 00	Friend	25 00
Busman, Albert	5 05	Friend	10 00
Carpenter, George W., Jr.	80 00	Friend	25 00
Chicago Field Day.....	100 00	Friend, Cambria, Wis.....	5 00
Chicago Missionary Commit-		"Friend of F. M. Amer. Ref.	
tee	25 00	Ch., Orange City, Ia."...	25 00
Children of Ed. Bakker &		Friend of Missions.....	500 00
Alex. Sizoo	5 73	Friend of Missions.....	1 00
"C. H. Phila.".....	2 00	Friends of Missions.....	10 00
Christian, Mrs. M. H.....	8 00	From a Friend.....	10 00
Cleveland, Estate of Geo....	192 50	From a Friend.....	15 00
Collier, Abram	2 00	From a Friend.....	3 50
Connet, C. E.	1 00	Gibson, Thomas B.....	2 00
Cortelyou, Peter	200 00	Glastonbury, Conn., 1st Ch.	
Craig, Rev. Horace P.....	15 00	of Christ	18 73
Cuff, William	65 00	Griffin, Mrs. E.....	2 00
"December 8th".....	100 00	Gulick, Rev. and Mrs. George	
DeGraaf, Mrs.	100 00	W.	16 00
DeHeidenwereld Fund.....	87 77	Gutherie, Edw. A.	5 00
DeJong, Peter	5 00	Harris, S. G.....	100 00
deMaagd, L. J.	10 00	Hay, Matt. W.....	25 00
Demarest, Miss Mary M....	2 00	Herrick, N. P.....	10 00
DeMott, J. J.....	5 00	Herzog, E.	5 00
Den Herder, Mrs. J.....	2 00	Hesselink, J. W.....	2 00
De Schutter, Josias.....	5 00	Holland, Mich., Hope Col-	
Deyo, Miss Mary.....	5 00	lege	300 00
De Vries, Mr. and Mrs. C.,		Holland, Mich., Hope Stu-	
Jr.	50 00	dents S. S.	4 00

Holland, Mich., Theol. Sem.		Read, Edw. G.....	10 00
Faculty & Students.....	71 07	Renson, Mrs. J.....	1 00
Hibma, S.....	7 50	Reynolds, Miss S. B.....	200 00
Hoven, John, Jr.....	50 00	Roelofs, Mrs. J.....	33 34
Hudson, Miss Marie.....	1 00	Roemer, Miss M. S.....	50
Huizenga, J. G.....	10 00	Ruslink Family Reunion....	5 30
In Memory of Rev. J. M.		Ryder, Miss Ryme J.....	2 00
Van Buren	100 00	Sammonsville, N. Y., Union	8 14
"In Memory of W.".....	200 00	Schaefer, Rev. D.....	5 00
Jamison, E. C.....	50 00	Schelesinger, A. H.....	10 00
Kastein, Ben.....	10 00	Schipper, Mrs. J.....	2 00
Keith, J. D.....	25 00	Schmidt, J. W.....	5 00
Kerr, L.....	50 00	Schneider, Wm.	1 00
"Klinton, N. Y.".....	200 00	Schultz, Paul	2 00
Lake, A. J.....	1 00	Schutts, Mrs. W. H.....	5 00
Kooiker, G. J.....	35 00	Seaman, Chas.	1 00
Kortemeier, Mrs.	5 00	Simms, Miss Maria O.....	5 00
Kruizenga, J.	5 00	Skillman, Wm.	2 00
Kuizenga, E.	10 00	Sleght, Miss Elizabeth E....	2 00
La Baer, Francis.....	10 00	Sluys, P. A.....	20 00
Labaw, Rev. Geo. W.....	5 00	Smart, John G.....	10 00
Ladue, W. N.....	5 00	Smeyer, H. M.....	200 00
Lake, Miss Agnes N.....	60 00	Smith, J. A.....	1 00
Landon, R. J.....	1 00	Soule, F. W.....	25 00
Lefferdink, J. H.	10 00	Sparks, Geo. H.....	1 00
Lubben, G.	2 00	Spiss, Henry W.....	5 00
MacNair, Mr. and Mrs. W.	10 00	Stegeman, Miss Cornelia M.	5 00
Manton, Estate of Elsie....	20 00	Stegeman, Henry V. E....	5 00
Matson, Israel	50 00	Steil, Jacob	2 00
Meenk, Mr. and Mrs. Albert	5 00	Students of the New Bruns-	
Memorial March 31st.....	200 00	wick Theol. Seminary....	2 00
Memory R. R. W.....	5 00	Taber, Horace J.....	2 00
Meschutt, Miss Agnes A..	1 00	TeKolste, Henry	25 00
Meserole, Mrs. C. M.....	10 00	Thank-offering	250 00
Meulendyke, Miss Jennie...	2 00	"The Tenth are the Lord's"	10 00
Meury, Master John.....	60	Thygeson, E. T. I.....	2 00
Miller, Rev. E. W.....	100 00	Timpson, Miss Mary E....	1 00
Millsbaugh, Mrs. M. B....	3 00	Two Old Friends.....	3,188 71
Moss, William	2 00	Udell, Miss Mary I.....	5 00
Mueller, Miss Johanna....	2 00	Unknown Friend	567 52
Mulder, Dr. and Mrs. C. D.	60 00	Van Brunt, J. R.....	100 00
Mulford, Rev. H. D. B.,		Van Cleef, Miss Ella.....	2 00
D.D.	35 00	Vanderbilt, Hiram	30 00
Newburgh, N. Y., Associated		Vanderbilt Lute	10 00
S. S.	10 00	Vander Pall, G.....	5 00
Newburgh, N. Y., Italian		Vander Ploeg, Rev. H. and	
Mission	5 00	Family	5 00
"N. N.," Herman, Minn....	5 00	Vandervelde, Miss Susie....	75 00
"N. N.," Little Rock, Ia...	2 50	Van Doren, M. L.	3 25
Oliver, W. C.	10 00	Van Essenfeldt	1 00
Orange City, Ia., Y. M. C. A.	6 50	Van Horne, Edgar	2 00
Ossewaarde, Rev. James....	20 00	Van Kegel, Wm.	5 00
Palmatier, Mrs. Wm.....	10 00	Van Riper, A. Ward.....	5 00
Petherbridge, J. G.....	1 00	Van Westenbrugge M.	1 00
Phillips, Miss Sara J.....	1 00	Varick, Miss Margaret L....	10 00
Raven, A. A.....	500 00	Voss, John	10 00

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Vreeland, Miss M.....	1 00	Wiggers, Mr. and Mrs. A. R.	5 00
Wagner, Simon	5 00	Wissing, J. W.....	5 00
Walvoord, Mrs. Wm.....	10 00	Wolf, Fred A.....	1 00
Ward, Estate of Chas. S....	75	Wyckoff, J. V. L.....	10 00
Ware, Miss Mary H.....	1 00	Wynia, K. F.....	10 00
Weenink, Peter J.....	5 00	W. B. F. M.....	10,009 13
Western Missionary Family.	500 00		
			<hr/> \$21,267 59

THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS, R.C.A.

LEGACIES

Thomas Edwards	\$4,175 97
K. S. Du Bois, balance.....	1,425 62
Sarah M. Gray.....	500 00
K. Schaddelee, balance.....	1,789 60
Abram M. Bodin.....	1,000 00
Mrs. Ehe Toomsen.....	475 00
Edward Miller	200 00
Mary Boon	290 50
Haskell A. Searle.....	8,424 51
	<hr/> \$18,281 20

RECEIPTS OF THE BOARD SINCE 1857, IN PERIODS OF FIVE YEARS, WITH TOTALS AND AVERAGES.

Years.	Receipts.	Totals for Five Years.	Average for Five Years.	Increase.	Decrease.
Total, 1858-1862.		\$134,055 49	\$26,811 10		
1863.....	\$42,257 36				
1864.....	35,391 18				
1865.....	82,038 22				
1866.....	55,783 75				
1867.....	*63,030 89				
1868.....	53,472 91	278,501 40	55,700 28	\$28,899 18	
1869.....	81,410 38				
1870.....	57,342 94				
1871.....	71,125 52				
1872.....	65,173 26				
1873.....	83,948 61	328,525 01	65,705 00	10,004 72	
1874.....	55,352 95				
1875.....	54,249 95				
1876.....	64,342 91				
1877.....	58,152 53				
1878.....	69,085 87	316,046 95	63,209 37		\$2,495 63
1879.....	58,443 49				
1880.....	63,185 71				
1881.....	92,984 32				
1882.....	58,184 71				
1883.....	65,284 58	341,884 10	68,376 82	5,167 45	
1884.....	76,955 23				
1885.....	88,131 04				
1886.....	86,386 55				
1887.....	86,787 02				
1888.....	†109,946 11	403,544 42	80,708 88	12,332 06	
1889.....	93,142 24				
1890.....	117,090 14				
1891.....	116,265 45				
1892.....	112,163 59				
1893.....	136,688 10	548,607 53	109,721 50	29,012 02	
1894.....	106,571 48				
1895.....	†111,288 00				
1896.....	154,139 42				
1897.....	111,111 89				
1898.....	124,301 18	619,798 89	123,959 77	14,238 27	
1899.....	126,838 36				
1900.....	147,213 78				
1901.....	173,204 12				
1902.....	167,911 73				
1903.....	158,894 94	739,469 17	147,893 89	23,934 12	
1904.....	142,474 79				
1905.....	150,239 94				
1906.....	174,464 74				
1907.....	179,232 60				
1908.....	197,468 26	805,307 01	161,061 40	13,167 51	
1909.....	205,372 64				
1910.....	207,404 59				
1911.....	282,231 86				
1912.....	284,269 36				
1913.....	255,838 47	1,176,746 71	235,349 34	74,287 94	
1914.....	321,942 58				
1915.....	300,752 51				
1916.....	309,419 86				
1917.....	302,453 02	1,490,406 44	298,087 29	37,262 05	

*In addition \$56,500 were given by Mr. Warren Ackerman to remove the debt resting on the Board.

†In addition \$45,335.06 were given for the Endowment of the Theological Seminary in the Arcot Mission, through the efforts of Rev. Jacob Chamberlain, D.D.

‡From 1895, receipts of the Arabian Mission are included. The total amount received since 1857, for all Missions, is \$7,285,728.18.

THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS, R.C.A.

STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 1917

"EXHIBIT A"*Revenue*

Collections	\$175,661 82
Legacies—Net	18,281 20
Real Estate Sold (Gift).....	3,600 00
Life Membership	100 00

Income Available for the Board from Invested Funds:

Security Funds.....	\$3,050 02
P. I. and M. K. Neefus Fund.....	210 60
Isaac Brodhead Fund.....	52 50
John Neefus Educational Fund.....	473 00
General Funds	3,936 99

\$7,723 11

Income from Funds held in Trust by Board of Direction... 575 19

Gifts for Specific Purposes—Exhibit "C"..... 27,910 93

Total Revenue \$233,852 25

Expenditures

Mission Work:

Amoy	\$48,516 16
Arcot	78,941 14
North Japan	\$31,798 03
South Japan	34,579 26
Japan	13,368 18

79,745 47

\$207,202 77

Expenditures on account of Specific Gifts—

Exhibit "C"..... 8,204 60

\$215,407 37

General Expenditures:

Discount and Interest	\$2,801 01
In re Conditional Gift Returned.....	363 20
Anglo-American Communities Committee..	200 00
Unsettled Shipping Balances.....	315 18
John Wanamaker—balance	2 92

3,682 31

Home Expenditures:

Rent and Care of Office.....	\$1,031 01
Salaries	10,087 68
Stationery	282 99
Salary of Stenographers and Supplies...	1,769 08
Postage, Telegraph and Cables.....	896 94
Legal Expenses	240 00
Auditing	160 00
Office Furniture and Repairs.....	436 99
Books Purchased	27 27
Publishing Annual Report.....	863 04
Incidentals	232 98
Telephone	159 52
Pamphlets and Leaflets.....	1,413 70
Illustrating Literature	156 89
"Mission Field"	1,250 14
"Neglected Arabia"	263 86
"The Christian Intelligencer" and "De Hope"	261 00
Mission Conferences and Reports.....	406 24
Circulars and Miscellaneous Printing....	189 64
Department of Missionary Education....	443 62
Missionary Boxes and Envelopes.....	109 72

Lantern and Supplies.....	13 45	
Distribution of Literature.....	117 06	
Travel Among Churches	1,002 74	
Travel of Classical Missionary Agents.....	4 50	
Expenses of District Secretary.....	261 49	
	<u>22,081 55</u>	
Total Expenditures		241,171 23
Excess of Expenditures over Revenue for Year.....		\$7,318 98
Reserved to Meet Specific Gifts Unremitted—Exhibit "C".....		19,706 33
Deficit for the Year—to Surplus Account.....		\$27,025 31
<i>Surplus Account</i>		
Balance (Deficit) May 1, 1916—per last Report.....		\$2,370 53
Deficit for the Year, as above.....		27,025 31
Balance (Deficit) April 30, 1917.....		<u>\$29,395 84</u>

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

APRIL 30, 1917

EXHIBIT "B"

Assets

Cash for General Purposes.....		\$17,532 25
Securities and Special Deposits—Schedule No. 1:		
Railroad Bonds	\$83,859 19	
Stocks	6,837 50	
Bonds and Mortgages	200,902 10	
Real Estate—236 W. 62nd St., New York City.....	17,577 22	
Union Trust Co.—Trust Account.....	13,722 96	
Union Trust Co.—Special Account.....	333 67	
Promissory Note	100 00	
	<u>\$323,332 64</u>	
Cash for Special Purposes.....	37,531 14	
		360,863 78
Advances to Missions for May, 1917.....		5,567 86
Amount due from Rev. J. R. Duffield		828 72
Deferred charges:		
Excess of Payments to Annuitants over Income from Investment of "Conditional Gifts"		844 75
Total Assets		<u>\$385,637 36</u>
Excess of Liabilities over Assets—Exhibit "A".....		29,395 84
		<u>\$415,033 20</u>

Liabilities

Funds—Schedule No. 2:		
Trust Funds	\$238,363 99	
Conditional Gifts	25,111 79	
Temporary Funds	16,169 25	
Security Funds	65,137 50	
	<u>\$344,782 53</u>	
Loans Payable		43,000 00
Missionaries' Special Deposits.....		400 00
Mission Treasurers' Drafts		124 75
Monies Received for Special Transmission.....		6,187 50
Ex-appropriation Gifts not Remitted.....		19,706 33
Deferred Credits:		
Reserves of Rents Received, Held for Accrued Interest.....		832 09
		<u>\$415,033 20</u>

THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS, R.C.A.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
OF DESIGNATED GIFTS.

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 1917

EXHIBIT "C"

Receipts

Gifts Ex-appropriation, General:

Work in China.....	\$2,600 00	
Specific Work (at Discretion of Board).....	100 00	
Salary of Missionary.....	1,200 00	
W. H. Farrar's Work.....	26 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,926 00
Salary of Missionary		1,475 00
Newspaper Advertising in South Japan.....		1,115 38
Rebuilding Stations in India.....		1,072 04
Additional Buildings for Steele Academy.....		138 00
For Amoy		100 00
For Arcot		100 00
Netherlands Committee for Wilhelmina Hospital, Amoy.....		1,120 00
For Automobiles in India.....		25 00
China Education Fund.....		4,400 63
Tong-an School		2,392 63
Amoy Hospital		4,222 48
From the Woman's Board for Various Purposes.....		7,823 77
		<hr/>
		\$27,910 93

Disbursements.

Gifts Ex-appropriation, General:

Tong-an School	\$1,500 00	
Amoy Mission	1,100 00	
	<hr/>	\$2,600 00
Salary of Missionary.....	320 00	
W. H. Farrar's Work.....	26 00	
	<hr/>	\$2,946 00
Salary of Missionary.....		1,475 00
Newspaper Advertising in South Japan.....		1,115 38
Additional Buildings for Steele Academy.....		138 00
For Amoy		100 00
For Arcot		100 00
Netherlands Committee for Wilhelmina Hospital, Amoy.....		1,120 00
China Education Fund.....		4,358 91
Tong-an School		2,368 10
For Various Purposes—from Woman's Board.....		7,823 77
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Total Disbursements		\$21,545 16
Included in May and June Remittances.....		13,340 56
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Net Disbursements for the Year.....		\$8,204 60
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Excess of Receipts over Disbursements Reserved for Payment— Exhibit "A"		\$19,706 33

THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS, R.C.A.

LIST OF SECURITIES

EXHIBIT "B"

SCHEDULE NO. 1

APRIL 30, 1917

Railroad Bonds:

29 Ill. Cen. 1st Mtge. 3½s.....	\$29,000 00	
6 Lehigh Valley Railway 1st Mtge. 4½s.....	6,000 00	
12 West Shore Railroad 1st Mtge. 4s.....	12,000 00	
6 Central R. R. of N. J. Gen'l Mtge. 5s.....	6,000 00	
1 N. Y. C. and H. R. R. Gen'l Mtge. 4s.....	1,000 00	
14 Reading Co. Gen'l Mtge. 4s.....	13,915 44	
3 Manhattan Ry. Consol. Mtge. 4s.....	3,000 00	
10 Southern Pacific Ref. 4s.....	8,437 50	
5 Southern Pacific 1st Ref. 4s.....	4,506 25	
	<hr/>	\$83,859 19

Stocks:

25 Shares U. S. Steel Corporation Pfd.....	\$2,762 50	
50 Shares Morris and Essex Railroad.....	4,075 00	
	<hr/>	6,837 50

Bonds and Mortgages:

87 Ludlow Street, New York City.....	\$23,000 00	
292 East 7th Street, New York City	22,000 00	
333 East 152nd Street, New York City	4,750 00	
949 East 165th Street, New York City	20,500 00	
69 West 10th Street, New York City	676 10	
205 West 136th Street, New York City	7,500 00	
531 West 144th Street, New York City	11,750 00	
519-521 West 152nd Street, New York City.....	45,000 00	
176th Street and Mohegan Avenue, New York City.	30,500 00	
1445 Minford Place, Bronx, New York City.....	14,000 00	
Brandon Avenue, Brooklyn, New York City.....	4,000 00	
343 Fifth Avenue, Brooklyn, New York City.....	11,500 00	
323 Eighth Street, Brooklyn, New York City.....	3,500 00	
Western Mortgages	2,226 00	
	<hr/>	200,902 10

Real Estate:

236 West 62nd Street, New York City.....	17,577 22	
Promissory Note	100 00	
Union Trust Company—Special Account	333 67	
Union Trust Company—Trust Account	13,722 96	
Cash to be Invested:		
In Bank of Metropolis.....	\$34,531 14	
Hackensack National Bank.....	3,000 00	
	<hr/>	37,531 14

Total Investments and Cash Exhibit "B"..... \$360,863 78

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THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS. R.C.A. STATEMENT OF TRUST AND SECURITY FUNDS

APRIL 30, 1917

EXHIBIT "B"

SCHEDULE NO. 2

Endowment Funds:

E. R. Voorhees College.....	\$12,490 83	
Arcot Industrial School	20,000 00	
Amoy Hospital	2,586 42	
Sio-khe Hospital	785 00	
	<u>\$35,862 25</u>	

Ranipettai Hospital:

J. Broadhead	\$1,000 00	
Mrs. J. H. Broadhead.....	1,258 54	
Scudder Memorial	8,459 60	
	<u>10,718 14</u>	\$46,580 39

Ministerial Education in India:

G. B. Walbridge Fund.....	\$5,118 84	
Christiana Jansen Fund	12,839 02	
Joseph Scudder Fund	2,045 00	
Wm. R. Gordon Fund.....	2,045 00	
	<u>22,047 86</u>	

Ministerial Education in Japan:

John Neefus Fund.....	9,379 86	
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Support of Native Pastors in India:

C. L. Wells Memorial.....	15,316 54	
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Support of Native Preachers in India:

P. I. and Mary Neefus Fund.....	18,045 09	
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Held in Trust for Others:

Susan Y. Lansing Fund for Woman's Board.....	\$5,000 00	
Susan Y. Lansing Fund for Arabian Mission	2,500 00	
J. Penfold Fund for Woman's Board.....	5,000 00	
	<u>12,500 00</u>	

General Funds:

A. J. Schaefer Fund.....	\$194 25	
Alida Van Schaick Fund	30,000 00	
A. C. Van Raalte Fund.....	3,000 00	
In Memoriam Fund	500 00	
Garret N. Hopper Fund.....	1,500 00	
John S. Lyles Fund.....	50,000 00	
"Permanent Fund"	13,500 00	
Cornelia M. Wallace Fund.....	100 00	
J. H. Oerter Memorial Fund.....	700 00	
Madison Avenue Reformed Church Fund.....	15,000 00	
	<u>114,494 25</u>	

Total Trust Funds \$238,363 99

Conditional Gifts:

Semelink Family Mission Fund.....	\$16,000 00	
K. Schaddelee	111 79	
Dirk J. Obbink.....	500 00	
Mary C. Van Brunt.....	7,000 00	
Mr. and Mrs. J. Visser.....	500 00	
D. J. De Bey.....	1,000 00	
	<u>25,111 79</u>	

Temporary Funds:

Blauvelt Memorial Hospital.....	\$2,000 00	
Cornelis Punt Memorial, China.....	2,099 25	
For New Missionaries' Travel Expenses, 1917-18.....	12,070 00	
	<u>16,169 25</u>	

Security Funds 65,137 50

Total Funds \$344,782 53

General Income 16,081 25

May 16, 1917.

To the Board of Foreign Missions, R. C. A.,
New York City.

Gentlemen: We have made an examination and audit of the accounts of the Treasurer of your Board for the fiscal year ended April 30, 1917, and submit herewith the following statements:

Statement of Receipts and Disbursements—for the Year Ended April 30, 1917.

Statement of Receipts and Disbursements Covered by Appropriations—for the Year Ended April 30, 1917.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities—April 30, 1917.

Statement of Trust and Security Funds—April 30, 1917.

All cash receipts and disbursements as shown by the general records in your office were checked and found in agreement with your general books and the Statements of Receipts and Disbursements submitted herewith. The cash on hand and in bank was proved by actual count and certificates from the various depositories. The mortgages on hand were examined and found in agreement with the total as carried on your books. The securities in the safe deposit box were examined by us, and those held by the Bank of the Metropolis as collateral for loans were duly confirmed by them.

The Statement of Assets and Liabilities is in accordance with the accounts of your Board and in our opinion shows the true financial condition as of April 30, 1917.

Respectfully yours,

LOOMIS, SUFFERN & FERNALD,
Certified Public Accountants.

We have examined the Bonds and Securities of the Board as noted in the Balance Sheet of May 1, 1917, and set forth particularly in the Board's Ledger, and find that they are correct.

We report that the par value of the Bonds and Stocks is \$91,000.00.

Their value on our books, \$90,696.69.

Their market value on May 1, 1917, \$84,342.50.

The Mortgages are on hand, and necessary adjustments requiring attention are in the hands of Counsel for settlement.

W. EDW. FOSTER,
Chairman Finance Committee.

New York, May 11, 1917.

ARABIAN MISSION RECEIPTS

MAY 1, 1916, TO MAY 1, 1917

As far as possible these amounts have been placed to the credit of the churches in the "Tabular View of Receipts."

FOR MISSIONARIES' SALARIES:

Alto, Wis.	\$700 00
Brooklyn, N. Y., First	175 00
Brooklyn, N. Y., On-the-Heights	600 00
*Chicago, Ill., First Roseland.....	1,400 00
*Flushing, N. Y.....	1,200 00
Grand Rapids, Mich., Christian Ref. Ch., Friends.....	150 00
Holland, Mich., First.....	539 17
Kalamazoo, Mich., Second.....	500 00
Catskill, N. Y.....	266 67
N. Y. C. St. Nicholas Collegiate	500 00
N. Y. C. Lenox Ave.....	800 00
Overisel, Mich.	721 50
Orange City, Ia., First.....	700 00
Pella, Ia., Second.....	500 00
Plainfield, N. J., Trinity.....	700 00
Ridgewood, N. J., First.....	150 00
*Sioux County Churches, Ia.....	1,002 46
Somerville, N. J., Second.....	641 64
In Memoriam	1,000 00
Friend	350 00

SYNDICATES NOT INCLUDED ABOVE:

Brooklyn, N. Y., First Flatbush.....	5 00
Catskill, N. Y.....	31 00
Claverack, N. Y., First.....	16 00
Grand Rapids, Mich., Bethany.....	2 00
Maskat Bible Shop.....	35 00
High Falls, N. Y.....	12 00
Holland, Mich., Third.....	47 00
Jamaica, N. Y., First.....	150 00
Little Neck, N. Y., Harmony Circle, K. D.....	10 00
New Brunswick, N. J., Second.....	100 00
New Brunswick, N. J., Theol. Sem. Class of '97.....	3 00
N. Y., West End Collegiate.....	70 00
North Holland, Mich.....	226 70
Oradell, N. J.....	50 00
Philadelphia, Pa., First.....	13 00
Raritan, N. J., Third.....	16 50
Other Syndicates	878 70

\$14,262 34

* Churches supporting two missionaries.

MISCELLANEOUS GIFTS

American Bible Society.....	\$600 00	Leavitt, W. F. B.....	3 00
American Confederated Church	6 70	MacNair, Mr. & Mrs. W... ..	10 00
American Tract Society.....	100 00	McLean, E. Paul.....	5 00
Anspach, William W.....	50	Mason, Rev. A. DeW.....	50 00
Baker, Mrs. D.....	35 00	Mason, Lewis D., M.D.....	100 00
Baldwin, Mrs. A. H.....	5 00	Meyerink, H.	5 00
Bogert, Miss Emma L.....	5 00	Miller, Rev. E. W.....	25 00
Braafhart, Mr. and Mrs. John	25 00	Miller, Miss Katherine.....	2 44
Brooklyn, N. Y., Bedford Park Presby. B. S.....	15 00	Mulder, Dr. & Mrs. C. D. and sister	20 00
Bussing, Miss Sarah A.....	10 00	Newark Bible Class.....	173 18
Campbell, Miss Carrie M....	4 00	Poppen, Dr. and Mrs. A. B.	50 00
Chicago, Ill., Field Day....	50 00	Record of Christian Work..	50
Chicago, Ill., Irving Park Presby. S. S.....	15 00	Rice, Miss Laura Wade....	1 00
Chicago, Ill., Missionary Committee	25 00	Rockwell, Miss Alice.....	1 00
Chicago, Ill., Moody Bible Institute	25 00	Roe-lofs, Mrs. J.....	33 33
Chicago, Ill., Moody S. S. Y. W. B. C.	25 00	Rowerdink, W. H.....	50 00
"J. B. C."	50 00	"S. G. L.".....	2 00
DeHeidenwereld Fund	80 00	Scholl, Mrs. George.....	1 00
DeJong, Stephen K.....	10 25	Sluys, P. A.	10 00
DeKracker, Mrs. J.....	5 00	Smock, Mrs. J. C.....	500 00
DeWitt, Miss	50 00	Stegeman, Henry V. E....	3 00
French, Mrs. Lydia C.....	5 00	Strong, Rev. W. V. D.....	5 00
Friend	10 00	Thoms, Mrs. M. D. P.....	10 00
Friend	10 00	Toussaint, Mrs. S.	35 00
Friend	3 00	Toussaint, Estate of S.....	65 53
"Friend of Missions".....	25 00	Two Friends	200 00
Grand Rapids Mass Meeting.	5 00	Two Old Friends	500 00
Grand Rapids, Mich., Broadway Chris. Ref. S. S....	25 00	Vandervelde, Miss Susie....	4 00
Gulick, Rev. and Mrs. George W.	10 00	Van Houten, Miss Jessie F.	15 00
Haig, Mrs. C. A.....	23 76	Van Valkenburg, Howard B.	1 00
Hasbrouck, Calvin, Jr.....	1 00	Waalkema, Mr. and Mrs. M.	200 00
Hasbrouck, Miss M. L. B....	5 00	Walvoord, C.	5 00
Hawley, Mrs. E. A.....	25 00	Walvoord, Mrs. Wm.	6 00
Hills Bros., L. R. Eastman.	250 00	Watson, Mrs. W. L.....	25 00
Holland, Mich., 9th St. Christian Ref.	17 00	"E. W., New Jersey".....	10 00
Jenny, Mrs. A.....	5 00	Wernersville, Pa., Sunset Hall Guests	50 00
Judson, C. F.....	10 00	Western Theol. Sem., Holland, Mich., Faculty and Students	25 68
Keedy, C. E.....	1 00	Whiteside Co. Mission Fest.	16 00
Landaal, Mrs. J. H.....	5 00	Woodbridge, Mrs. S. M.....	50 00
		Zeeland, Mich., Chris. Ref. Choral Union	30 07
		Zwemer, Rev. S. M., D.D....	5 00
		Woman's Board	236 65

\$4,117 59

LEGACIES

Lucy Winters	\$100 00
Mary B. Sanborn.....	1,000 00
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	\$1,100 00

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THE ARABIAN MISSION

STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 1917

EXHIBIT "A"

Revenue

Collections:		
Salaries	\$12,285 44	
Syndicates	1,670 90	
Miscellaneous	21,769 00	
		\$35,725 34
Income from Trust Fund held by Board of Foreign Missions		125 00
Income from Trust Fund held by Board of Direction		69 72
Income from Security Fund		167 50
Bahrein Hospital Endowment Fund, Income.....		87 78
Gifts for Specific Purposes:		
For Medical Work Interior	\$30 00	
For Organ at Busrah.....	90 00	
For Mrs. Calverly's Dispensary at Kuwait.....	392 08	
University of Michigan, Students' Christian Association for Dr. Van Vlack	1,115 38	
		1,627 46
Legacies—unappropriated		1,100 00
Total Revenue		\$38,902 80

Expenditures

Remittances to Arabia for Regular Work.....	\$21,551 76	
Individual Accounts of Missionaries.....	13,004 12	
	\$34,555 88	
Specific Work—Designated Gifts:		
Mrs. Calverly's Dispensary at Kuwait.....	1,000 00	
Salary and Expenses of Dr. Van Vlack.....	1,091 67	
		\$6,647 55
Home Expenses:		
Rent and Care of Office.....	\$153 99	
Salaries	1,507 28	
Stationery	52 37	
Salary of Stenographers and Supplies.....	270 12	
Postage and Telegrams.....	139 80	
Office Furniture and Repairs.....	68 25	
Incidentals	41 09	
Telephone	27 62	
Audit	45 00	
"Christian Intelligencer" and "De Hope"....	39 00	
Publishing Annual Report	128 96	
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"Mission Field"	186 77	
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Illustrating Literature	20 53	
Circulars and Miscellaneous Printing.....	30 91	
Missionary Conferences and Reports.....	60 68	
Department of Young People's Work.....	60 28	
Travel Among Churches.....	406 18	
Expenses District Secretary.....	39 06	
Distribution of Literature.....	14 26	
Lantern and Supplies.....	1 10	
Missionary Boxes and Collection Envelopes..	16 43	
Shipping Expenses	668 39	
		4,511 20
Total Expenditures		41,158 75
Excess of Expenditures over Revenue.....		\$2,255 95

Add:		
Legacies Reserved as Unappropriated.....	\$1,100 00	
Less: Excess of Payments of Specific Gifts over Receipts of this Year	464 21	635 79
Deficit for the Year to Surplus Account.....		\$2,891 74
<i>Surplus Account.</i>		
Balance—May 1, 1916, per last Report.....	\$7,912 41	
Less: Deficit for the Year—as above.....	2,891 74	
Balance—April 30, 1917—Exhibit "B".....		\$5,020 67

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

APRIL 30, 1917
EXHIBIT "B"

<i>Assets</i>		
Cash	\$9,699 19	
Railroad Bonds	8,400 00	
Remittances to Arabia for May and June	5,975 48	
		\$24,074 67
<i>Liabilities</i>		
Funds:		
Medical Work Fund.....	\$250 00	
Bahrein Hospital Endowment.....	7,000 00	
Busrah Hospital Endowment.....	2,000 00	
Security Fund.....	5,342 00	
Abbie J. Bell Fund.....	200 00	
Legacies Unappropriated		\$14,792 00
Ex-appropriation Gifts not Remitted.....		2,100 00
Surplus—Exhibit "A".....		2,162 00
		5,020 67
		\$24,074 67

May 10th, 1917.

To The Arabian Mission,
Reformed Church in America,
New York City.

Gentlemen—We have made an examination and audit of the accounts of the Treasurer of your Board for the fiscal year ended April 30, 1917, and submit herewith the following statements:

Statement of Receipts and Disbursements—For the year ended April 30, 1917.

Statement of Receipts and Disbursements Covered by Appropriations—For the year ended April 30, 1917.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities—April 30, 1917.

All cash receipts and disbursements as shown by the general records in your office were checked and found in agreement with your general books and the Statements of Receipts and Disbursements submitted herewith. The Bank balances were confirmed by certificates from the Bank.

The securities belonging to the Mission which are carried in your safe deposit vault were examined by us and found correct.

The Statement of Assets and Liabilities is in accordance with the accounts of your Board and in our opinion shows the true financial condition as of April 30, 1917.

Respectfully yours,

LOOMIS, SUFFERN & FERNALD,

Certified Public Accountants.

Approved:

John Bingham,
Eben E. Olcott,

Finance Committee.

MISSIONARIES OF THE BOARD.

The following list contains the names of Missionaries now connected with their various Missions, whether in the field or at home expecting to return, with their addresses, and also those under appointment.

Letter postage to all lands here named, five cents for the first ounce, three cents for each additional ounce or fraction.

Postage on printed matter, one cent for each two ounces, or fraction.

AMOY MISSION.

Only address—Amoy, China.

WENT OUT

Mrs. L. W. Kip	1865
Miss Katharine M. Talmage	1874
Miss Mary E. Talmage	1874
Miss Nellie Zwemer	1891
Miss Margaret C. Morrison	1892
Miss Lily N. Duryee	1894
Rev. A. Livingston Warnshuis, D.D., Shanghai	1900
Mrs. Anna D. Warnshuis, Shanghai	1900
Rev. Harry P. Boot	1903
Mrs. Anna H. Boot	1908
Rev. Frank Eckerson	1903
Rev. Henry J. Voskuil	1907
Mrs. Mary W. Voskuil	1908
Rev. Henry P. De Pree	1907
Mrs. Kate E. De Pree	1907
Miss Katharine R. Green	1907
Rev. Steward Day	(1908-1914) 1916
Mrs. Rachel S. Day	(1908-1914) 1916
John H. Snoke, M.D.	1908
Mrs. Mary E. S. Snoke	1908
Miss Leona Vander Linden	1909
Mr. Herman Renskers, Cedar Grove, Wis.....	1910

Miss Bessie M. Ogsbury	1910
Edward J. Strick, M.D.	1911
Mrs. Edith M. Strick	1911
Miss Maude Norling	1912
Miss Willemina Murman	1913
Miss Edna K. Beekman	1914
Dr. Taeke Bosch	1915
Mrs. Margaret Bosch	1915
Mr. Fred J. Weersing	1915
Mrs. Bata B. Weersing	1915
Miss Edith C. Boynton	1915
Rev. Lyman A. Talman	1916
Mrs. Rose E. Talman	1916
Rev. H. Michael Veenschoten, under appointment.....	1917
Miss Stella E. Girard, under appointment	1917
Mr. Irwin J. Lubbers, under appointment	1917
Rev. Henry Poppen, under appointment	1918
Miss Dorothy C. Trompen, under appointment	1918

ARCOT MISSION.

General Address—Madras Presidency, India.

Mrs. John Scudder, Vellore	1861
Mrs. John H. Wyckoff, Ranipettai	1892
Miss Julia C. Scudder, Ranipettai	1879
Rev. Ezekiel C. Scudder, Ranipettai	1882
Mrs. Mabel J. Scudder, Ranipettai	1889
Rev. Lewis R. Scudder, M.D., Vellore	1888
Mrs. Ethel T. Scudder, Vellore	1888
Mrs. James A. Beattie, Chittoor	1893
Miss Louisa H. Hart, M.D., Madanapalle	1895
Mr. William H. Farrar, Arni	1897
Mrs. Elizabeth W. Farrar, Arni	1897
Rev. Walter T. Scudder, Tindivanam	1899
Mrs. Ellen B. Scudder, M.D., Tindivanam	1899
Miss Ida S. Scudder, M.D., Vellore	1899
Miss Annie E. Hancock, 25 East 22d St., New York.....	1899
Miss Alice B. Van Doren, Ranipettai	1903

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Miss Henrietta Wynkoop Drury, Madanapalle	1906
Miss Delia M. Houghton, Vellore	1908
Rev. Bernard Rottschaefer, Katpadi	1909
Mrs. Bernice M. Rottschaefer, Katpadi	1910
Miss Margaret Rottschaefer, Holland, Mich.....	1909
Miss Sarella Te Winkel, 25 East 22d St., New York	1909
Miss Josephine V. Te Winkel, 25 East 22d St., New York..	1909
Bert W. Roy, M.D., Ranipettai	1909
Mrs. Nellie M. Roy, Ranipettai	1909
Mrs. Henry Honegger, Ranipettai	1910
Rev. John H. Warnshuis, Madanapalle	1913
Mrs. Lilian C. Warnshuis, M.D., Madanapalle	1913
F. Marmaduke Potter, M.A., Metuchen, N. J.....	1913
Mrs. Elsie B. Potter, Metuchen, N. J.....	1915
Mr. Mason Olcott, Vellore	1915
Miss Charlotte C. Wyckoff, Ranipettai	1915
Mr. John D. Muyskens, Madanapalle	1915
Miss Elisabeth W. Conklin, Chittoor	1915
Rev. Chas. F. Stube, Ph.D., Tindivanam.....	1915
Rev. Lambertus Hekhuis, Vellore	1916
Mrs. Jennie I. Hekhuis, Vellore	1916
Rev. Herbert E. Van Vranken, under appointment	1917
Miss Nellie Smallegan, under appointment.....	1917
Rev. John C. Van Wyk, under appointment	1917
Miss Amelia S. Menning, under appointment	1917
Miss Wilhelmina Noordyk, under appointment	1917
Mr. Cornelius R. Wierenga, under appointment	1917

JAPAN MISSION.

General Address—Japan.

Rev. James H. Ballagh, D.D., Yokohama	1861
Rev. Eugene S. Booth, D.D., 178 Bluff, Yokohama	1879
Mrs. Emily S. Booth, 178 Bluff, Yokohama	1879
Mrs. M. N. Wyckoff, Matsumoto	1881
Miss M. Leila Winn, Aomori, Iwate Ken.....	1882
Rev. Albert Oltmans, D.D., Meiji Gakuin, Tokyo	1886
Mrs. Alice V. Oltmans, Meiji Gakuin, Tokyo	1886

Miss Julia Moulton, 178 Bluff, Yokohama	1889
Rev. Albertus Pieters, Oita	1891
Mrs. Emma T. Pieters, Oita	1891
Miss Sara M. Couch, Nagasaki	1892
Rev. Harman V. S. Peeke, D.D., Parkville, Mo.. (1889-1892)	1893
Mrs. Vesta O. Peeke, Parkville, Mo.	1893
Miss Harriet M. Lansing, Kagoshima	1893
Rev. D. C. Ruigh, Tokyo	1901
Mrs. Christine C. Ruigh, Tokyo	1904
Miss Jennie A. Pieters, Holland, Mich.	1904
Miss Jennie M. Kuyper, 178 Bluff, Yokohama	1905
Mr. Anthony Walvoord, Nagasaki	1905
Mrs. Edith Walvoord, Nagasaki	1905
Mr. Walter E. Hoffsommer, Meiji Gakuin, Tokyo	1907
Mrs. Grace P. Hoffsommer, Meiji Gakuin, Tokyo	1907
Rev. Willis G. Hoekje, Saga	1907
Mrs. Annie N. Hoekje, Saga	1912
Rev. Hubert Kuyper, Morioka	1911
Miss Jeane Noordhoff, Shimonoseki	1911
Rev. David Van Strien, Kurume	1912
Rev. Luman J. Shafer, 25 East 22d St., New York.....	1912
Mrs. Amy K. Shafer, 25 East 22d St., New York	1912
Rev. Stephen W. Ryder, Kagoshima	1913
Mrs. Reba C. Ryder, Kagoshima	1914
Miss Hendrine E. Hospers, Kagoshima	1913
Miss Evelyn F. Oltmans, 178 Bluff, Yokohama	1914
Miss Janet Oltmans, 178 Bluff, Yokohama	1914
Rev. Alex. Van Bronkhorst, Nagasaki	1916
Mrs. Helena de M. Van Bronkhorst, Nagasaki	1916
Rev. Henry V. E. Stegeman, under appointment	1917
Miss Gertrude J. Hoekje, under appointment	1917

ARABIAN MISSION.

General Address—Via Bombay.

Rev. James Cantine, D.D., Basrah, Persian Gulf	1889
Mrs. Elizabeth G. Cantine, Basrah, Persian Gulf	1902
Rev. Samuel M. Zwemer, D.D., Cairo, Egypt	1890

Mrs. Amy W. Zwemer, Cairo, Egypt	1896
Rev. H. R. L. Worrall, M.D., Greenville, Pa.....	1894
Mrs. Emma H. Worrall, M.D., Greenville, Pa.....	1901
Rev. Fred J. Barny, New Brunswick, N. J.	1897
Mrs. Margaret R. Barny, New Brunswick, N. J.	1898
Rev. James E. Moerdyk, Basrah, Persian Gulf	1900
Rev. John Van Ess, 25 East 22d St., New York	1902
Mrs. Dorothy F. Van Ess, 25 East 22d St., New York	1909
Miss Jennie A. Scardefield, Bahrein, Persian Gulf.....	1903
Miss Fanny Lutton, Maskat, Arabia	1904
Arthur K. Bennett, M.D., 25 East 22d St., New York	1904
Rev. Dirk Dykstra, Bahrein, Persian Gulf	1906
Mrs. Minnie W. Dykstra, Bahrein, Persian Gulf	1907
C. Stanley G. Mylrea, M.D., Kuwait, Persian Gulf	1906
Mrs. Bessie London Mylrea, Kuwait, Persian Gulf	1906
Rev. Gerrit J. Pennings, Basrah, Persian Gulf	1908
Rev. Edwin E. Calverley, Kuwait, Persian Gulf	1909
Mrs. Eleanor J. Calverley, M.D., Kuwait, Persian Gulf....	1909
Paul W. Harrison, M.D., Bahrein, Persian Gulf	1909
Mrs. Regina R. Harrison, Bahrein, Persian Gulf	1916
Rev. Gerrit D. Van Peurse, Bahrein, Persian Gulf.....	1910
Mrs. Josephine E. Van Peurse, Bahrein, Persian Gulf..	1910
Miss Sarah L. Hosmon, M.D., Maskat, Arabia	1911
Hall G. Van Vlack, M.D., Forestville, N. Y.	1911
Mrs. Mercy Van Vlack, Forestville, N. Y.....	1911
Miss Gertrud Schafheitlin, Basrah, Persian Gulf	1912
Miss Charlotte B. Kellien, Bahrein, Persian Gulf	1915
Rev. Henry A. Bilkert, under appointment	1917
Miss Anna M. Monteith, under appointment	1917
Miss Mary C. Van Pelt, under appointment	1917

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ANNUAL REPORT, 1917

The Board of Domestic Missions is privileged to present its eighty-fifth annual report to the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America, recording a year of increased activity in all those phases of service which tend to build up the Kingdom of God here in the homeland, a year in which the people of the churches have manifested by increasing contributions their growing concern for the solution of the spiritual and moral problems of America, a year of which the Board can again say to the General Synod, as it has said in several recent years: "The financial resources have been larger than those of any previous year in the history of Domestic Missions in the Reformed Church." For these evidences of the favor of God upon its work, the Board desires to express its sincere gratitude to Him, a gratitude in which it asks the Church to join.

It would be impossible to consider the work of Domestic Missions at this time without taking some thought of the prolonged struggle of the nations in which our own land has so recently joined. We may well feel some solicitude as to the effect which the great war shall have upon this service, and also as to what may be expected as the result of the work of evangelization of America, so largely prosecuted through Home Mission agencies, upon the national and racial misunderstandings which seem to have been the source of the present world-wide struggle. Our own church, in common with many other American Christian bodies, numbers among its missionary pastors and members of mission churches many of those whose sympathies are with the nations with which our own country is at war. We cannot expect them to forget the ties which bind them to the fatherland and to their kindred, and yet we cannot expect less than that as members of an American Church which had

no small part in the founding of the American nation, they shall be loyal both to the Church and to the nation, and that, with all sincere Christians, they shall strive and pray, not that any one nation or group of nations may prove victorious in this deplorable war, but that the will of God may be made manifest in its speedy termination and that the Prince of Peace may truly reign in the hearts of men and nations. In America, as in no other country in the world, is found a true internationalism which has been advanced and fostered by the work of Home Missions, and it seems not too much to expect that these agencies, which have done so much in the past to promote unity among the national groups of which the population of America is composed, by securing their allegiance to the God of nations, may in this present emergency exert a potent influence in bringing about a unity of thought and purpose among the warring nations, each of which has so many thousands of representatives in this land of ours.

It is therefore a time for increased activity here in the work of evangelization, and America's active participation in the world war should awaken in the minds of the people of our churches a new consciousness of the need of winning the millions of non-Christians and merely nominal Christians to a consecrated faith and self-sacrificing service in the cause of Christ and His kingdom. The evangelization of America looms larger as the task of the Church than ever before. Its effects are world-wide in their scope. American evangelization means not merely the winning of America to Christ for the sake of America but for the sake of the world. If our people but realize this truth, the effect of the war will be to advance the work of Home Missions, which, in its turn, may hasten the close of the war. It is a service therefore in which all our people, regardless of their national sympathies, may whole-heartedly engage. The growth of the work during the past year, when so many of the thoughts of the people were turned to the struggle in Europe, gives promise of still greater growth now that it has been brought more closely home to us and we realize that the people of America must be prepared, spiritually no less than physically, for participation in the war and the readjustments that shall come at its close.

SUMMARY OF THE WORK.

The year has been a notable one along the lines of Church Extension and Church Sustentation in that eleven new missions were established, nine churches were organized, and fifteen of the mission churches formerly aided by the Board have assumed self-support. The total number of churches and missions to which the Board has made appropriations during the year is 261. These were served by 223 pastors and missionaries, not including students assigned for summer service. In the churches and missions receiving aid from the Board are 11,408 families, 18,381 communicant members and 23,335 Bible school scholars. They raised \$251,898.27 for congregational expenses, gave \$32,401.04 to missions and benevolences of the denomination and \$7,706.54 to benevolences other than denominational. One thousand six hundred and eighty-eight persons were added to these mission churches on confession of faith in the year ending April 1, 1917, which, it will be noted, represents about 10 per cent. of their former membership, a rate of increase by conversion much higher than is ordinarily reported for the whole Reformed Church. All of these figures are larger than were reported last year. They represent an enlarging work for which the Board is truly thankful.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY.

The total receipts for the work of Domestic Missions in the year just closed were \$245,917.19, which represents an advance of \$27,733.37 over the totals of the previous year. These figures include the receipts both of Synod's Board and of the Women's Board of Domestic Missions, the latter contributing \$97,158.46 to the total. Contributions to Synod's Board, including those for the Church Building Fund, amounted to \$83,495.61, which represents an advance of only \$1,000, although contributions to the Missionary Fund of the Board showed an advance of over \$5,000. Contributions to the Building Fund fell off about \$4,000, due to the fact that during the previous year there had been a definite campaign for this Fund, resulting in a considerable increase in contributions. The Fund had no such advantage in the

year just closed, but its contributions amounted to \$12,-414.90, which is a considerably larger amount than is normally received by the Board for Church Building in any one year.

Receipts of the Women's Board, totaling \$97,158.46, represent an enthusiastic endorsement by the Church of the work of this efficient organization, which is caring for some of the exceptional but none the less important work of Home Missions, as well as assisting materially in the work of Church Extension and Church Sustentation. It is particularly noteworthy that at this time, when a plan for closer co-ordination of the work of the two Boards has been decided upon, details of which are referred to on another page of this report, that the receipts of the year have enabled both Boards to close their year's work without deficit. In order to accomplish this happy result it has been necessary for Synod's Board to appropriate to the work of the year a considerable amount from its Legacy Reserve Fund, but since the Fund was established for this very purpose, this should occasion the Church no concern, except in so far as it presents evidence that the Church by its contributions is not fully caring for the work of Domestic Missions which it calls upon the Board to do.

It must not be understood that there were sufficient funds available during the year to carry forward all the work of Domestic Missions that should be undertaken. The total receipts were about \$20,000 short of the Budget adopted last year and approved by the General Synod, and that Budget represented the known needs of the work. It can therefore be understood that the Board found it necessary to turn aside from some of the opportunities for service that presented themselves, lest it should be led into expenditures beyond its resources. These unaccomplished tasks are to be found in almost all phases of the work of the Board.

LEGACIES AND PERMANENT FUNDS

The Board has been especially fortunate during the past year in the amount received by it in the form of legacies from members of the Reformed Church who have passed to their rewards and who, in providing for the disposition of

their estates, had so planned that the missionary interests with which they were identified by prayer and gift should continue to receive support from their estates. In the Treasurer's statement will be found a detailed list of the amounts thus received, with the names of those in whose wills they were designated for the work of the Board. The list forms a notable addition to that Honor Roll of the Church, those who through so many years have done great things for the missionary cause through bequests to the Boards. Attention may well be called to the fact that in recent years this Board has begun to receive legacies from the Western section of the Church, where many of those who have reached ripe age, after having passed through the long period of struggle and toil for the establishment of the Church, and who later shared in the prosperity of the western country, are remembering in their wills the Board which has so steadfastly assisted in the maintenance of the churches of the Synod of Chicago until they became firmly established. It is an example to which pastors and other leaders may well point the people with whom they have influence.

A legacy from a church is more unusual than one from an individual, yet one such legacy, \$10,000 in amount, was received by the Board a few days before the close of the year. The Madison Avenue Reformed Church of New York City a short time ago found that because of inevitable city changes its services were no longer needed in the community where it had been established for many years. Removal to another neighborhood was deemed impracticable so it was decided to sell the church property and to use a large part of the proceeds for the endowment of an East Side chapel which the church had long maintained. From the funds remaining after the endowment had been accomplished, \$10,000 was given to this Board under an agreement which provides that it shall be maintained as a permanent fund, the income only of which is to be devoted to the work maintained by the Board. It is not pleasant to think of the passing of an historic church, and yet how much better it may be to provide for a continued use of financial resources in the service for which the church was established, rather than to use them up in a hopeless struggle against changed environment! The Board has received in recent years the proceeds of the

sale of other church properties, but these have ordinarily been small in amount and from churches which the Board had assisted to maintain in former years. The gift from the Madison Avenue Church is the first of its kind.

A PLAN OF CO-ORDINATION.

Two years ago the Board of Domestic Missions reported the creation of a Joint Committee with the Women's Board of Domestic Missions, the purpose of which was to consider matters in which the two Boards had common interest and to make to the Boards such recommendation regarding them as were deemed necessary. It may be recalled that the first accomplishment of this joint committee was the presentation of a Domestic Mission Budget, in which for the first time was set forth a careful estimate of the financial needs of the home field, and which, after approval by the General Synod, served as a goal for the Home Mission benevolence of the Church.

The Joint Committee has been continued by the two Boards and has had occasional meetings through which there has gradually developed the conviction that both Boards were vitally interested and concerned in every phase of Domestic Mission effort in the Reformed Church in America, that an effective presentation of the needs of the work required joint plans and action, and that the Joint Committee of the Boards provided a medium for close co-operation, the importance of which becomes more and more evident as the scope of their work and the complexities of their problems increase with an enlarging service.

These conclusions were presented to the Boards in a report from their Joint Committee, and upon the recommendation of that Committee the Boards have adopted three principles to govern their future action, as follows:

1. A United Budget to list the needs of the work of both Boards.
2. A joint appeal to the churches and their organizations for all needs listed in the Budget.
3. A joint responsibility for the maintenance of all the work of Domestic Missions.

These principles are new in scope rather than in substance, for there has been close co-operation between the two Boards

ever since the Women's Board, then known as the Women's Executive Committee, was organized for the expressed purpose of securing the assistance of the women of the churches in the work then being carried forward by the Board of Domestic Missions. In the process of time new avenues of activity opened up before the Church, some of them being prosecuted by Synod's Board, others being committed to the special care of the Women's organization. These newer lines of service have developed to an importance that was not contemplated when they were undertaken, although they have never been permitted to attain a primary place in our Domestic Mission service, which has always been held by the fundamental tasks of Church Extension and Church Sustentation. The two Boards have developed their service side by side, in closest sympathy, and by the adoption of the principles stated they are but announcing to the Church their recognition of their joint responsibility for the whole work of Domestic Missions, and their intention to work together to secure a widespread interest in that work which shall lead to its adequate support.

In carrying out this plan of co-ordination, it has been decided that hereafter all contributions made to Domestic Missions as the result of church or congregational offerings will be received and credited by the Board of Domestic Missions. Such offerings may be specified by the contributing church to any of the Domestic Mission causes specified in the Budget, and they will automatically find their way to the fund from which that particular cause is maintained. In like manner all contributions from women's organizations will be received and credited by the Women's Board of Domestic Missions, to be used for the particular causes for which they are specified. Contributions from other agencies of the Church, Sunday schools, Young People's Societies, etc., will be received and credited, as heretofore, by either of the Boards, and the same applies to gifts from individuals and to legacies.

THE BUDGET FOR 1917-1918.

In accordance with the plan for a Joint Appeal already stated, the estimate of the financial needs of the work of Domestic Missions for the new fiscal year is here presented.

The totals are slightly larger than those presented a year ago, but the estimates have been kept as low as possible in view of the work now under way and that which is known to be projected by some of the Classes. Further discussion of the several items of the Budget will be found under appropriate headings in the report. The following are the estimated financial needs of the work for the year ending April 30, 1918:

Church Sustentation	\$80,000.00
This includes salary payments to missionary pastors, special appropriations to mission churches to meet emergencies, incidental field expenses, etc.	
Church Extension	30,000.00
Special for new work on Pacific Coast	5,000.00
Under "Church Extension" is included salaries, house rent, traveling expenses, etc., of classical missionaries.	
Church Building Fund.....	45,000.00
To aid in the erection of new church buildings.	
Indian Missions	32,000.00
Special for School Buildings at Winnebago	5,000.00
Women's Board General Fund.....	30,700.00
From this Fund payments are made for Classical Missionaries, Students, Parsonages, Japanese Missions, Repairs and Church Furnishings, etc.	
Kentucky Mountain Missions.....	30,000.00
Immigrant Work	18,000.00
Student Missionaries	6,000.00
Exclusive of amount raised through Women's Board.	
Negro Work	2,500.00
Total	<u>\$284,200.00</u>

These estimates include the cost of administration of both the Board of Domestic Missions and the Women's Board, and it is worthy of note that as the funds available for service increase year by year this cost of administration proportionately decreases. Office expenses are kept at a minimum, and since the present force and equipment are not increased with the growth of the work, it follows that as the income for missionary service becomes larger, the percentage chargeable to administration will become smaller.

It is expected that the Budget will prove of effective assistance to that increasing number of churches which are arranging their local finances, both for expenses and for benevolence, upon a Budget plan, with the Every Member Canvass and systematic weekly contributions to provide the needed funds. In this connection it may be well to state that no church which has adopted such a system should feel that its doors are thereby closed to an occasional special appeal to meet a Domestic Mission emergency. Benevolence may well be expressed by systematic giving; but it is no less true, now as always, that opportunity for free-will gifts on special occasions works a decided advantage both to the givers and to the work for which the gifts are made.

CHURCH SUSTENTATION.

The largest single item in the Budget for the year falls under this heading. As this would imply, Church Sustentation is one of the most important phases of Domestic Mission service. Practically one-third of the churches of our denomination receive assistance from the Board under this head, and their ministry would be much curtailed, if not altogether ended, were it not for the appropriations which the Board is able to make to assist in the payment of pastors' salaries. In the establishment and maintenance of our churches two functions are exercised by the Board of Domestic Missions. The first comes at the inception of the work, when the new church is in a formative period and the assistance given by the Board for the services of the Classical Missionary who develops the field, for the providing of a place of meeting and for other incidental expenses of a new mission, fall under the classification of Church Extension.

But the time comes when the new church is organized, when it has a building and perhaps a parsonage, and the work needs the care and oversight of a pastor. Then begins the work of Church Sustentation, as the Board makes appropriations to supplement the contributions of the people for the support of the minister. In some fields this continues for but a few years, in others the achievement of self-support comes only after a long term of years. In some few fields the point of self-support is never reached and appropriations for church sustentation must be continued so long as the church shall live.

The demands on the funds for church sustentation are ever increasing, not so much because of an increase in the number of churches thus aided as for the reason that larger salaries have to be provided for than were necessary in earlier and easier times. Increased appropriations for this cause are constantly called for and the Board feels that it should not withhold this assistance when it is evident that the mission churches are bearing their full share of the expense in accordance with their resources; for the efficiency of the missionary work is certain to be reduced if pastors must constantly face the difficulty, and oftentimes the impossibility, of decently maintaining themselves and their families with salaries that are pitiably inadequate. There are failures in the ministry as in other walks of life, and it is a question worth consideration whether some of the failures are not caused more by the dampening of youthful enthusiasm for the Master's work by wholly insufficient support, rather than by a primary lack of ability or aptitude.

For these reasons the Board has welcomed the movement taking place in many sections of our Church for a better financial support of the ministry and it only asks that the Church at large shall sufficiently increase its contributions to the funds for church sustentation to enable the Board to make the increased appropriations which present conditions make almost imperative. The Budget calls for \$80,000.00 for this service, which is \$5,000.00 larger than the amount asked last year.

CLASSICAL MISSIONARIES.

Development of the work, both in the East and in the West, calls for an increasing number of Classical Missionaries. During the past year the Board has been maintaining fifteen such missionaries and has before it at this time requests from several Classes which ask the appointment of five additional men, four in the West and one in the East. There can be no question whatever as to the valuable service which these missionaries render to the Church. In most cases it is a service calling for a considerable measure of self-sacrifice, since it demands much unpleasant traveling regardless of weather conditions, long absences from the comforts of home and family, and hard work that is frequently unappreciated and sometimes unavailing. Yet to these men as to few others comes the joy of achievement, and church after church, especially in the western fields, had its inception in their wisdom and their diligence. If our denomination is to meet the opportunities for extension, as well as the obligation for real missionary service, the number of Classical Missionaries must be further increased. That there has been recent increase in this missionary force, with still further augmentation in prospect, may be taken as evidence that the Church is striving to fulfill its mission here in America.

CHURCH EXTENSION IN THE EAST.

No new missions were established last year in any of the eastern synods, but that the work of Church Extension was not neglected is shown by the fact that two promising churches were organized, and that of the fifteen churches which attained self-support last year eight were connected with eastern Classes. Church Extension in the East depends almost wholly upon the resources available for the provision of suitable equipment. The opportunities are countless, but \$10,000 might be named as the minimum amount necessary for real estate and buildings without which progress, except in some few exceptional places, would be found to be impossible. It follows, therefore, that new work is not undertaken by an eastern classis unless there is some certainty that necessary support can be assured by the Board.

There is one phase of extension work in the East, however, which has much promise for the future of the Church. It is a growing realization of the opportunities of the rural churches. A few years ago there was found a feeling of hopelessness not only in these churches, but also among denominational leaders familiar with their conditions. The times had changed but the country churches had not changed with them, and they were losing the community leadership which they had once enjoyed. A number of examples might be given to illustrate the renaissance of the rural church under trained and inspired leadership, and this is a movement which is spreading in our denomination as in others. It may surely be considered Church Extension, since it is taking churches which had grown listless and discouraged and giving them new virility and new force to meet the problems of their communities, to evangelize the countryside and train a new generation of young people for Christian leadership. The Board is assisting in this service by appropriations to many churches that once were self-supporting but which now need to be helped while they are establishing a new order of work and worship.

CHURCH EXTENSION IN THE WEST.

The Synod of Chicago comprises the entire middle western and western sections of the country, extending from Lake Erie to the Pacific Coast. Statistics show that the rate of increase of population of our states increases as one moves westward. This geographical and ethnic phenomenon explains to some extent the opportunities for service in the West, and may prove to contain the prophecy of development in the extension work of our denomination. During the past year several new fields were opened in the State of Michigan, and two new churches organized. In every one of the three Classes in this State splendid opportunities present themselves for the organization of new English-speaking churches that will develop in strength and become self-sustaining within a short time. It is an encouraging feature of the work in the West that the language question, which proved an embarrassing problem in many instances, is being solved; and we have practically passed the period when it

interfered with the development of the Church. Three sectional buildings are now used for our growing services in the State of Michigan.

Within the bounds of the Classis of Iowa there is a similar development. Year after year new fields are being occupied, until at this time the Classis has become one of the largest and strongest in the Reformed Church. Likewise in the Classis of Dakota we find unusual opportunities for new work. According to the reports given by its Classical Missionary, the field of this Classis may eventually be divided into four sections, and in every section there will be enough work for one Classical Missionary. An application for two additional missionaries has already been received at the Board's office from this Classis. One of the reasons for rapid growth of the work in the Classes of Iowa and Dakota is to be found in the internal development of existing churches which leads young people to move from the mother churches to new communities, where they provide the nucleus which results in the establishment of new churches.

The Classis of the Cascades comprises the larger section of the Far West. Mention was made in last year's report of the new work in San Francisco, Spokane and Portland, as well as in other growing centers along the Pacific Coast. During the year just closed, a Classical Missionary has been appointed and stationed at San Francisco, and another was recently appointed for Spokane and its surrounding communities. So pressing is the need for special effort in the many promising fields of the Classis of the Cascades that there is included in the Budget for the year a special sum of \$5,000 for this service. It is hoped that this amount may be secured from the churches in addition to their regular contributions for Church Extension.

WORK AMONG IMMIGRANTS.

The service heretofore maintained among Italians and Hungarians has been continued during the past year with but few changes. So far as conditions make it possible, the missionaries in charge of the work at the several stations are encouraged to extend their ministry to the people of these races in neighboring communities, and this additional

service they have willingly assumed. It would therefore be possible to report a number of "out-stations" in which missionary work is conducted with more or less regularity, but so large a part of the immigrant population is constantly shifting its habitations that much of this service has but a temporary character and does not lend itself to tabulation. Where immigrant colonies have a permanent character, as is the case in most of the places regularly served by missionaries of the Reformed Church, it seems to be necessary to provide a more adequate equipment for the work than the missions have heretofore had. Three of the Hungarian missions have buildings that meet present needs, but only one of the Italian missions has facilities for an effective service. Several of the Classes in which these immigrant missions are located have called the Board's attention to these needs, which have not been thus far met because the Board had no funds available for the purpose.

In the Budget presented herewith there is provision for a larger expenditure for immigrant work, and it is hoped that the Church will sufficiently support this service to make available several thousand dollars for buildings that must be provided if the work is to be efficiently maintained. It is to be remembered that while it is possible to establish a mission in a rented store building, only the minimum of service can be given under such circumstances, nor can the respect of the immigrant people of a community be thus secured. The missions among alien peoples which attain a maximum of efficiency must be so equipped as to make possible a varied ministry. It must include leadership in educational, recreational and other forms of social service, subordinated, it is true, to the work of evangelism, but teaching that Christianity involves right living as well as right thinking, that faith without works is dead. Those of our missions which are so equipped are making progress and are becoming powers for righteousness in the communities where they are established. In a number of other places the foundations have been laid for similar progress.

There is another form of service for immigrants in which a number of our churches are now profitably engaging. It involves the centering of immigrant work in connection with established English-speaking churches, and using parts of

the church building for this work on days and at hours when they may be available. The Board is now assisting several such churches with small appropriations to assist them in securing foreign-speaking missionaries and they are maintaining a work of much promise.

A co-operative effort for Hungarians in New York City has been undertaken in recent months at the request of the Classis of New York. Our Board and the Presbyterians jointly support an American young man who is thoroughly familiar with the Hungarian people and who speaks their language fluently. He is making a careful study of the Hungarian population of the city, with the purpose of ascertaining what are their religious needs and what opportunities exist for either a separate or a joint service by the two denominations. The results of this experiment are sure to be significant.

Work among immigrants is almost certain to be disappointing to the Church if it is considered in the light of Church Extension, and if the hope is entertained that this service is likely to add to our denominational resources. If, however, it is prosecuted in a purely missionary spirit, with the dominant desire to uplift and Christianize these neighbors who are handicapped by alien ideas and ideals, it will be found to be most profitable, a sure way of extending the Kingdom of God here in America.

ELLIS ISLAND.

It has become necessary to suspend, temporarily at least, the work which has been maintained for a number of years at the immigrant station on Ellis Island in New York Harbor. The work had already suffered interruption because existing circumstances in Europe so very greatly reduced the number of Hollanders coming to this country, but it had been continued for the purpose of giving such aid as was possible to the few who came. The United States Government has now withdrawn all permits to visit Ellis Island, because it is being used as a detention camp for those suspected of plotting against the Government. How long this condition will be maintained it is impossible to conjecture. There are a considerable number of detained immigrants also

on Ellis Island, and among these the missionaries were working until the order of the Government suspended their privileges. The Reformed Church Missionary, the Rev. Sidney Zandstra, did only a part of his work at the immigrant station, other and equally as important work being carried on at the docks of the Holland-American Line. The hope is naturally entertained that the regular sailings of the boats of this Line may soon be resumed. If this should occur there will again be necessity for our Church to be represented on the arrival of the steamers. At the present time the missionary is keeping in touch with the Hollanders among the detained immigrants, rendering such service to them as circumstances permit.

STUDENT MISSIONARIES.

With the co-operation of the Women's Board of Domestic Missions, which secures a substantial amount for this service each year, the Board commissions all available students from our theological seminaries for summer work on mission fields. In recent years it has not been possible to send a student missionary to every field desiring such service, because there have not been a sufficient number of available students. It necessarily follows that if all three classes in the seminaries cannot furnish men sufficient for summer work in vacant mission fields, the graduates each year are certain to be insufficient to meet the call of the Church for an educated and trained ministry. Particularly difficult is it to secure suitable men for small but needy mission fields, and as opportunity offers the Board is urging upon the students a consecration of themselves to Home Mission service.

It will be evident that there is a direct relation between this problem and the extension of the educational work of our Church in the West. It may hopefully be expected that the college now conducted under the auspices of the Reformed Church in the West. It may hopefully be expected that the of candidates for the ministry, supplementing in this way the splendid service which has been rendered the Church by Hope College and which is being continued by that institution. The growing work of the Church demands a constant increase in its ministry, and therefore the Board can-

not fail to be deeply interested in every educational undertaking in which there is to be found promise of supplying this need.

CHURCH BUILDING FUND.

It is most encouraging to be able to report at this time that the financial condition of the Church Building Fund is better than it has been for a number of years. This has resulted from the fact that calls upon the Fund have not been so numerous as in some former years, and this condition has enabled the Board to make most of the loans that had been previously promised and to close the year with almost a sufficient amount in hand to make the remaining loans which have been approved. The regular income of the Fund is derived from contributions, repayments of loans, interest on endowment and legacies, and from these sources there is not yet received enough money, in a normal year, to make the new loans called for in such a year. The Board is endeavoring, in every reasonable way, to encourage churches which have formerly received loans to begin and continue repayment, but there has not been that increase in receipts from this source that was hoped, although the list of churches making annual repayment on account of loans is a long one and word has been received at the offices of the Board of a number of additional churches, especially in the Synod of Chicago, that are now making plans to pay off these old obligations.

The new rules for the administration of the Fund, adopted by the General Synod of 1916, whereby interest at a very low rate is required to be paid on all loans made from this time, has not had time to demonstrate its usefulness, but is confidently expected materially to aid the matter of repayments by keeping continually before the borrowing churches the facts of the obligation, and to teach them that the surest way of reducing amounts paid in interest is to begin and continue payments on account of the principal. The Board indulges the hope that the time may come when repayments will annually be sufficient in amount to provide all necessary funds for the making of new loans, but that time has not yet arrived and therefore the people of the

churches must be asked to include Church Building in their list of benevolences and to give to this cause more liberally than they have thus far done.

ARCHITECTURAL DESIGNS FOR CHURCHES.

For a number of months the Board has had under consideration a plan for securing architects' plans for convenient and economical church buildings. Our denominational investment in church structures through the Church Building Fund is so large that it is deemed not out of place to put at the disposal of consistories having new buildings in contemplation a series of designs for churches of various costs which may at least suggest to them the ways in which their resources may be best expended. Church architecture requires specialization, and more than one of our congregations is making the best of a building unfortunately planned because expert advice along this special line was unavailable during the period of planning and building. The ideal church building, whatever its cost, should adequately express its purpose and its mission in its exterior lines, and its interior should be planned not only to lend itself to the atmosphere of worship, but also to provide facilities for the varied activities which center in the modern church edifice. But little more than the purpose of the Board to assist in providing church plans can be reported at this time. Effort is being made to secure the co-operation of one or more of the architectural publications, to the end that a competition may be planned and laid before the architects of the country. It is the expectation of the Board that within a year it may have the results of this competition ready for the use of our churches as they undertake the task of erecting new edifices.

NEGRO WORK.

The year has brought no change in the status of the two missions for Negroes, maintained by the Board in the eastern part of South Carolina. This work is conducted under the supervision of the Home Mission Committee of the Southern Presbyterian Church, and reports from the fields indicate that excellent work along evangelistic and educational lines

is being continued. The amount annually expended for this service is relatively small, but it needs to be slightly increased, for this year at least, in order that necessary repairs may be made to the buildings owned by the Board at Florence and Timmons ville. For this reason the Budget item has been increased \$1,000 over last year's amount.

THE VIRGIN ISLANDS.

It is an unusual experience for a Home Mission organization to have the national allegiance of one of its mission churches change from a foreign power to that of the nation of the home board, and yet that has been the experience of the Board of Domestic Missions during the year just closed. By its purchase of the Danish West Indies the United States Government brought our church at St. Thomas, for the first time in its long history, under the United States flag. For a number of years this old church has been connected with the South Classis of Long Island, with the approval of which the Board has been making annual appropriations to assist in the maintenance of its ministry. It is to be expected that this church may now enjoy a renewed prosperity. It has the prestige of being the only distinctively American church not only in the city of St. Thomas, but in the whole group of islands. It is the one church of our faith and order in any of the colonial possessions of the United States, and it may prove the nucleus of a larger work in these Virgin Islands, should they develop, as has other colonial territory, under the impetus of American administration. In any event, our church, as the first American religious body on this field, should not fail to keep fully informed as to new opportunities of service as they may there appear. Porto Rico and Cuba have been fully occupied by other American evangelical denominations, but this change in the ownership of the Virgin Islands may open a door to us in the West Indies that has hitherto been closed.

THE WOMEN'S BOARD OF DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

The following statement regarding the work entrusted to it has been furnished by the Women's Board:

Our Domestic Mission service represents not dollars and cents—so many meetings—so much literature—but thousands of human lives reached by Christ through the Reformed Church. Hundreds of little children given the power of overcoming the blighting circumstances of their lives and saved to useful citizenship in the nation and to a place in the household of faith. It brings Christ and the interpretation of Christian Americanism to hundreds of aliens, while it calls to new life backward communities and nourishes the sources of denominational growth. It is therefore with deep gratitude the Women's Board reports the greatest year in all its history—and all obligations fully met. Space here will allow for a brief summary only of the record, for the details of which we urge you to see the Annual Report of Women's Board.

It will be recalled that the budget for the year stated \$30,000 as the minimum amount needed for each of the three funds, viz.: General, Indian and Kentucky Mountain. The returns for these have been as follows:

General Fund	\$23,940.69
Indian Fund	33,978.85
Indian Contingent	100.00
Kentucky	30,750.92
Kentucky Endowment	2,250.00
Legacies	6,138.00
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This large total is due in part to gifts for special objects to which particular reference will be made later, and to personal gifts, Memorials and legacies, as well as the faithful giving of churches and auxiliaries. For all of these we extend grateful appreciation.

The Particular Synod of Chicago deserves special mention for a decided advance in sustentation as well as in providing largely for the advanced work on the Winnebago Indian Field. We gratefully acknowledge the services of Rev. S. Vander Werf and others who have helped to promote the work in the West as we sincerely thank all those East and

West who in any way have shared in our efforts this year for God and our Country.

THE GENERAL FUND.

This includes the work among Japanese, which has had a most successful year, twenty-five adults having received baptism at our Missions, \$4,000 having been expended for the work. The preaching services at the Fifty-seventh Street Station have been well attended. The social service in connection with all the work has been helpfully maintained, while the effort to reach women through meetings in their homes has been especially emphasized.

The General Fund also supplies the maintenance of the two Italian women missionaries. During the spring months the place of one of these has been supplied through the unremunerated service of the pastor's wife.

Remuneration for twenty summer student missionaries, taking regular assignments, has been provided (\$2,500), and in addition one student was sent to the Indian Field at Dulce, New Mexico, at the Walter C. Roe Memorial, where he will labor also among white lumbermen. For several years, through providing the salaries (\$2,500 in all), this Board has claimed two Classical Missionary Representatives, Rev. G. Veenker, Classis of Pleasant Prairie, and Rev. B. D. Dykstra, Classis of Dakota. As part of the latter's maintenance is provided by the fields visited, some of the Board's appropriation is thus made available for use elsewhere. This year the amount will assist in providing for the work of Rev. T. W. Muilenberg, on the Pacific Coast.

Three churches have been assisted in parsonage building totaling \$2,400, and an equal amount has been applied to providing church furnishings and repairs. We are gratified to have received \$4,476.37 in repayments on parsonage grants, including the sale of the Kate Brownlee Horton Memorial Church of Shawnee, Oklahoma.

This Memorial has been replaced in the building of the portable church which will shelter the new organization known as the "Zion Church of Grand Rapids, Michigan." "This is one of our new English speaking congregations, located in the southern part of this growing city. It is the only church and

the only denomination represented in a large section of the southern outskirts of the city. A few families belonging to other Reformed Churches in the city have joined this new enterprise, and form a nucleus of enthusiastic workers. Unusual opportunities for service come to this church, and it may be assumed that it will grow strong, and probably within a few years will be able to become self-supporting." After this building has nurtured the new organization to growth sufficient for a permanent building, it will be moved to another locality there to repeat its missionary purpose. Particularly fitting is such a building to commemorate the service of one who was quick to see need and opportunity, keen to feel sympathy and eager to give herself to help.

THE INDIAN FUND.

More than the amount stated in the Budget has been received for this fund during the year owing to some legacies designated for Indian work and to the large gifts, \$6,000, secured in the West for the installation of a Primary School with boarding facilities on the Winnebago Field. The acute need for this school was fully realized before the budget was made but as the Indian Fund had closed with a deficit it was thought inadvisable to include any forward work in the estimate. Through providential openings and special gifts it was possible to initiate the school this year and thus secure to the Mission its splendid achievements on the field. During the year twenty children have been received in baptism and twenty-seven members have been added to the church.

Feeling the need of an experienced worker to render special help from time to time in connection with the various Indian Missions and also the necessity of someone in close touch with the work to present the cause more vividly in order to enlarge the resources, for its support, the Board has appointed Rev. G. Watermulder a missionary at large. He will also retain the supervision of the Winnebago Mission which has developed so wonderfully by the Grace of God under his care. The Colony Field reports a membership of 281, eight received in the past year and \$500 contributed for Missions, and the support of the local work. The Comanche Mission has added an outstation at Fletcher where many of the In-

dians live too distant to receive the ministrations of the Mission. At Mescalero the work has been well sustained, 200 Indians being present at the Communion Service following the special meetings. It has been decided to organize a Church at White Tail, New Mexico, where many families are located, and the Classis of New York has appointed a Committee for that purpose. It will be recalled that White Tail Canyon is the new location of our Fort Sill Apaches. Here a chapel has been erected for which all the lumber was hauled thirty-eight miles of steep grade, as the altitude of the Canyon is between nine and ten thousand feet. The building of both the three room parsonage and the Chapel is the work of the missionary assisted by an Indian and one white carpenter. Besides the arduous work of building and maintaining the regular spiritual work the missionary, Rev. James O. Arthur, has made 200 pastoral calls on his widely scattered flock. At the Walter C. Roe Memorial at Dulce, New Mexico, thirty-one have united with the Church and marked progress has been made in winning the Indian children and bringing the tribe to better condition.

KENTUCKY MOUNTAIN MISSIONS.

Here too special gifts for the erection of a Chapel at Annville and for building purposes at McKee has brought the receipts to the amounts called for in the budget, viz., \$30,000. The seventeenth year of labor on this field shows a wonderful harvest of redeemed lives—an army of forward facing, earnest children won by Christian education from utter hopelessness and helpless need—and communities whose standards of life and morals have been marvelously changed for the better. In view of former standards, in which practically every boy used liquor, and many little ones under ten years of age, how glorious it is to record the testimony of Mr. Messler, “that of all the boys in town under twenty years of age, none touches moonshine or liquor of any kind.”

At McKee the school has made a splendid record with 140 enrolled. All the church activities have been vigorously pushed, Senior and Junior Kings Daughters—Senior and Junior C. E. Societies—Boy Scouts, and outlying Sunday Schools providing a medium for influencing the entire com-

munity. Thirteen have been added to the church and eleven received baptism. The opening of the Girl's Home has added a new feature here which will be a very gate of Heaven, to many a bereft and neglected child of misfortune.

Gray Hawk. Here our Christian physician has reached many with his healing and also with a message of new life in Christ Jesus. Nine hundred and sixty-four dispensary cases have been treated, also 300 surgical dressings and 136 medical calls are reported. At the schools examinations have been made of the eyes, throat and nose of 280 students at Annville, 68 at Gray Hawk and 80 at McKee.

Here also the school has been a telling instrument of uplift, the pupils ranging in ages from six to twenty years, although only two classes are maintained and two teachers employed.

The Church and Sunday School show quickened life and the outlying preaching stations and Sunday Schools at Adkins with 60 members and Blackwater with 80 are the source of light and life to their respective settlements.

Annville. It is impossible to record even in outline the developments on this field or tell of its splendid integration of the industrial training with the mental and spiritual work—so that efficiency of the best type results. The effort includes agriculture, a dairy herd and a canning plant, through which the dormitories secure needed supplies. Carpentry and blacksmithing aid in equipping the boys for daily living in the mountains as well as making them capable of assisting in necessary building and repairing at the Mission. Too much cannot be said of the effectiveness of the large school here and its community influence. The spiritual and religious work is constantly kept in the lead and the three outlying Sunday Schools spread the contagion of Christly knowing and living. Twenty-six have been received into church membership during the year.

The Board is confident that adequate support will be forthcoming for this promising mountain field, when its wonderful effectiveness in conserving lives of such potential value and strength to the nation and the Kingdom is realized.

To make this work more widely known and realized we welcome a new speaker and worker, Mr. C. Judson Haulen-

beck, an elder in the Reformed Church on the Heights, Brooklyn, who, having retired from business, offers to undertake this service for the Board without remuneration or expense.

After prayerful painstaking consideration the budget for the new year has been adopted as follows:

For the General Work, which it will be recalled includes contributions to Classical and Student Missionaries, Parsonages and Church Furnishings and Special Gifts, Missionary Pastor's salaries, Missionary Instruction in the Bible School and Alien Work, for publicity, publications, traveling expenses, Interdenominational expenses, salaries of office force, upkeep of office, Mission Field Expenses, etc., \$30,700 will be required.

For Indian \$32,000 is needed for the sustenance of the six missions, with an additional allowance of \$5,000 for new buildings which are already projected on the Winnebago Field.

For Kentucky \$30,000 is the minimum required for the sustenance of the three missions with their schools and hospital, with the understanding that if a special unsolicited gift is received of \$3,000 it may be available for a needed building.

And so we turn to resume for another year a ministry upon which thousands in our land must depend for the Way of Life; without us ignorance, darkness, lostness must be theirs. Our country needs Christ as she faces the life and death issues of this momentous day in the world. Sixty millions of non-Christians in this land! How it calls to us as Christians! The hearts of our Aliens are open to the appeal of Christ and American patriotism as never before.

Oh, let us not fail in this day of our great opportunity but go forward more passionately eager and earnest than we have ever been to save America for the saving of the World.

EDITH H. ALLEN,
Corresponding Secretary.

MISSIONARY EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

This Department, in which the four mission boards of the Church co-operate, had been served by Mr. Harry A. Kinports, as secretary, from the time of its inception, almost ten years ago, until December 31, 1916, when Mr. Kinports resigned in order to engage in business. There has been a steady development in the Department from the time it was established as the "Department of Young People's Work" to the present time. From the outset Missionary Education was projected and urged, and many mission study classes were organized in young people's societies and other organizations as a result of Mr. Kinports' energy and enthusiasm. The approach to the Bible schools, in the effort to secure the adoption of definite methods of missionary instruction, presented many difficulties. Not least among these was the lack of suitable material for making missionary impressions upon young children. Bible classes and adult classes, like young people's societies, could be led to use the text books published by the Missionary Education Movement and other interdenominational agencies; but there was nothing to offer regularly for use in classes of younger children. This situation led our Missionary Education Department a few years ago to publish a quarterly missionary leaflet, which was found to be exceedingly useful in many schools, but which did not find that wide acceptance which its merits deserved. But even this quarterly lesson did not meet the whole need, since it was suited only to intermediate classes, and there was still nothing adequate to offer for the use of primary grades.

The work performed by Mr. Kinports, both by correspondence and by visitation of the Bible schools, has prepared the way, it is believed, for a definite graded course of lessons adapted to the use of all of our Bible schools in all of their departments. When, therefore, the resignation of Mr. Kinports made it necessary for the committee in charge of the Department to plan for its continuance without his leadership and personality it was decided to concentrate effort, for the time being, upon the production of such a graded course of lessons. The committee has been at work upon the matter for some months and is now able to announce

that some of the new material will be available by November 1, so that our Bible schools may begin to put the courses in operation not later than January, 1918.

The material in preparation, or which is projected for production in the near future, comprises the following:

1. For primary grades:

A two years' course of simple, illustrated lessons; one for each Sunday and each planned to take not more than five minutes. Included will be simple material for each child to take home. All material is being planned to give the children impressions of the love, the service, the prayer and the sacrifice involved in the missionary motive.

2. For Intermediate and Junior Classes:

A two years' course of monthly missionary lessons, each planned to take not more than fifteen minutes. These lessons will take the form of travelogues to home and foreign mission fields. The lessons will be supplemented by charts or posters, and by a Missionary Catechism which may be used independently of the monthly lessons if desired.

3. For Senior or Adult Classes:

The Committee plans the preparation of two books, one devoted to Domestic Missions and one to Foreign. These are designed to cover the present missionary operation of the Reformed Church in a manner at once readable, informing and inspirational. The two books will be adapted for a flexible method of use in classes or societies. Each will contain probably eight chapters, providing practical division into eight lessons, if desired. The books will be supplemented by the reports and other publications of the several boards.

It is designed that all of the courses shall promote habits of individual, systematic giving by the scholars; and the Missionary Education Department will urge the adoption by all Bible Schools of systematic, weekly missionary offerings by means of the Duplex Envelope or some other approved method.

In the work of planning for this forward step in the production of missionary educational material for use in Bible schools, the joint Committee of the mission boards

has had the advantage of the constant advice and counsel of the Educational Secretary of the Board of Publication and Bible School Work, who is in hearty sympathy with the movement. It is hoped that a plan may be found whereby that Board will act as the publishing agency for the Missionary Education Department. In any event, arrangements will be made whereby this valuable material will be furnished to our Bible schools at minimum prices, so that none may be barred from its use because of expenses.

HOME MISSIONS COUNCIL

The Board has continued its membership in the Home Missions Council, which held its tenth annual meeting in January, 1917. This organization, which includes in its membership almost all of the Home Mission Boards and Societies of the United States, has proved its usefulness to our own organization in a number of ways. By its publications, its investigations and its conferences the Home Missions Council enables the officers and members of our own Board to keep in constant touch with conditions affecting missionary work in America, and enables them also to become familiar with the successful methods of work of other organizations. During the year just closed there has been demonstration of a very practical assistance rendered to the Board of Domestic Missions by the Home Missions Council. The Council several years ago put on record its approval of certain principles of comity which it felt should govern the activities of the mission boards. Our Board, with many others, formally expressed its approval of these principles, which in substance provide that when new mission work is planned to be undertaken by any denomination in territory already occupied by another evangelical body, there shall first be conference between leaders of the denominations concerned as to the needs of the community and the advisability of inaugurating the new work. In two instances during the past year the representatives of our Board had occasion to call attention of other boards to these principles which they also had approved, to the end that competitive

missions planned by local denominational leaders might not receive approval or support from their national boards. In both cases an amicable agreement was quickly reached, the other bodies withdrew their proposed missions, and the Reformed Church enterprises were strengthened by the addition of people who would otherwise have attended the other missions. Many instances might be cited of the advantages which our work has gained through this association of mission boards, whose fellowship has been of increasing value through the nine years of its existence.

HOME MISSION WEEK.

There was a very wide observance of Home Mission Week in the fall of last year, the dates for which, interdenominationally fixed, happily included the special Sunday designated by the General Synod for the observance of Domestic Missions in our churches. The Board made an unusual effort to provide churches and Bible schools with ample material to use on Domestic Mission Sunday and for special services during Home Mission Week. Large quantities of printed matter were freely circulated and there is evidence that it was all used to advantage in arousing a wider interest in the Home Mission work of the Church. There was also provided a special edition of *THE MISSION FIELD*, the missionary monthly in which our Boards co-operate, and a special number of *Ons Land*, the quarterly in the Holland language issued jointly by the Board and the Women's Board. It would seem to be reasonable to attribute some of the increased interest in and support of the work of Domestic Missions recorded elsewhere, to this observance of Home Mission Week as well as to the regular circulation of the publications named.

WESTERN COMMITTEE AND CONFERENCES.

The Western District Committee, comprising the five members of the Board residing within the bounds of the Synod of Chicago, with the Field Secretary, continue to be of the utmost service to the Board in its consideration of matters relating to the western section. The advice of this

Committee, for the guidance of final action by the Board, is always found to be based upon a full knowledge of conditions and needs in the West, as well as upon wisdom regarding the work of Domestic Missions as a whole. The Committee meets at least twice each year, and in addition to these stated meetings its members are always available for conference with the secretaries of the Board when emergencies make their counsel necessary or advisable.

Once a year the Classical Agents in the western classes are called together in conference with the members of the Western District Committee, and in this way the Board secures accurate information regarding the plans and needs of the West, and the Classical Agents, in turn, are informed as to the problems, financial and otherwise, which confront the Board. A conference held last year in Michigan was differently constituted and for an unusual but altogether commendable purpose. Representatives of a large number of churches, most of them young men, came together for the purpose of considering the best means of increasing interest in the work of Domestic Missions in their churches, and of securing from each church its full quota in support of the work. Results of their planning are already apparent in the contributions from these churches, and their example is one which may well be followed in other sections.

REFORMED CHURCH BUILDING.

In accordance with action taken by the General Synod of 1916 the Board has co-operated in the management of the Church House in New York by the appointment of a representative on the Committee provided for by Synod's action. This Committee is to report to the General Synod, and nothing concerning it needs to be related here, except to state that the Board is in hearty sympathy with the plans developed by the Committee for the remodeling of the building. Office facilities for a number of years have been inadequate for the growing work of the boards and it is hoped that a way may be found to carry out during this coming year the plans of the Committee, which would provide a modern and spacious equipment which should be adequate for many years to come.

MEMBERSHIP OF THE BOARD.

There have been no changes in the membership of the Board during the year, except that Mr. Hubert Howson, nominated for membership by the General Synod of 1916, found it impossible to serve, and this vacancy in the membership has not been filled. It will therefore be in order for the General Synod to nominate a layman for this membership, which expires in June, 1919. Membership of the following expire in June of this year and their successors should be nominated by the General Synod for the full term of three years.

Rev. David J. Burrell	Rev. Edgar Tilton, Jr.
Rev. James S. Kittell	Rev. Isaac W. Gowen
Mr. George Warren Dunn	Rev. John A. Ingham
Rev. Frederick Lubbers	Mr. John N. Trompen
Mr. Emker Jelleme	

CONCLUSION.

In closing this review of Domestic Mission work the Board desires to record its profound gratitude for the growing interest shown by our people and the gratifying results that have been obtained. In order to reap, however, the still larger fruitage which these results promise, it is imperative that we hear and heed the call to a deeper and more unselfish Christian patriotism which in these days is heard in our nation. America is calling every citizen to enlist in the cause of the country, the cause of the principles of freedom and righteousness for which our fathers hazarded their lives. The church of Jesus Christ, too, is mobilizing her forces in behalf of her Lord and King. And the two voices, clear and strong, blend in a call to the watchfulness and manliness and unity of Christian soldiers. Forgetting, so far as is possible, our personal interests and differences of opinion on matters of minor importance, we should rally to the banner of the cross, claiming for our motto: "America for Christ."

The call of the church is above all a call to fervent and united prayer. We should keep in close contact with the

source of our spiritual supplies. "The Christian soldier is strongest on his knees." Our best attitude is toward the everlasting hills whence our help cometh. We should keep the lines of communication open that we do not become isolated by the flanking movements of our spiritual enemies. We are strong when we allow ourselves to be made strong in the Lord and in the power of His might.

SETH VANDER WERF,
Field Secretary.

WM. T. DEMAREST,
Office Secretary.

Adopted by the Board May 21, 1917.

CHURCHES AND MISSIONS AIDED BY THE BOARD

Churches and Missions Helped.....	261
Missionaries and Pastors (excluding Summer students)	223
Number of Families.....	11,408
Communicants	18,381
Additions by Confession.....	1,688
Additions by Certificate.....	1,054
In Sunday Schools.....	23,335
Churches Contributed for Congregational Expenses	\$251,898.27
Churches Contributed for Denominational Objects	\$32,401.04
Churches Contributed for Other Objects.....	\$7,706.54
New Buildings, Repairs and Improvements....	\$99,998.36
New Missions Begun.....	10
Churches Organized	9
Assumed Self-Support	15

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

1916-1917

THE MISSIONARY FUND

From Churches	\$50,611.69	\$55,865.57
Sabbath Schools	12,815.31	12,241.28
Individuals	1,348.60	1,882.08
Women's Societies	1,034.05	1,091.78
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	\$65,809.65	\$71,080.71

THE CHURCH BUILDING FUND

From Churches	\$14,370.90	\$10,099.97
Sabbath Schools	776.09	1,025.39
Young People's Socs..	1,164.71	795.78
Individuals	445.00	493.76
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	\$16,756.70	\$12,414.90
Total Offerings, both Funds..	\$82,566.35	\$83,495.61
Legacies	36,699.41	42,415.20
Legacies for Investment.....	9,151.51	
Special Fund for Investment..		10,000.00
Interest	11,854.22	12,847.92
Receipts of Women's Board...	77,911.33	97,158.46
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	\$218,182.82	\$245,917.19

NEW MISSIONS ESTABLISHED

San Francisco, Cal.....	Classis of Cascades
Estellene, S. D.....	Classis of Dakota
Castlewood, S. D.....	Classis of Germania
Burton Heights, Grand Rapids.....	Classis of Grand River
Muskegon, Mich.....	Classis of Grand River
Allendale, Mich.....	Classis of Grand River
East End, Holland, Mich.....	Classis of Holland
Fairview, S. D.....	Classis of Iowa
Rockford, Ia.....	Classis of Pleasant Prairie
Brownsdale, Minn.....	Classis of Pleasant Prairie

CHURCHES ORGANIZED

Strasburg, N. D.....	Classis of Dakota
Sixth, Holland, Mich.....	Classis of Holland
Lester, Ia.....	Classis of Iowa
Valley Springs, S. D.....	Classis of Iowa
Fairview, S. D.....	Classis of Iowa
Zion, Grand Rapids, Mich.....	Classis of Michigan
Second, Irvington, N. J.....	Classis of Newark
Upper Ridgewood, N. J.....	Classis of Paramus
Vesper, Wis.....	Classis of Wisconsin

ASSUMED SELF-SUPPORT

North Yakima, Wash.....	Classis of Cascades
Fremont, Mich.....	Classis of Grand River
Steen, Minn.....	Classis of Iowa
Trinity, Holland, Mich.....	Classis of Michigan
Bethel, Grand Rapids, Mich.....	Classis of Michigan
Second, Syracuse, N. Y.....	Classis of Montgomery
Second, Port Jervis, N. Y.....	Classis of Orange
First, Hoboken, N. J.....	Classis of Palisades
Hawthorne, N. J.....	Classis of Paramus
North Paterson, N. J.....	Classis of Paramus
Second, Lodi, N. J.....	Classis of Paramus
Second, Little Falls, N. J.....	Classis of Passaic
Palmyra, N. Y.....	Classis of Rochester
Danforth, Ill.....	Classis of Wisconsin
Roseland, Minn.....	Classis of Iowa

STATISTICS OF MISSIONS AND CHURCHES AIDED BY THE BOARD

CLASSES.	CHURCHES.	MINISTERS.	Families.	Members.	Rec'd.		In Sunday Schools.
					Confession.	Certificate.	
Albany	3rd, Albany, N. Y.	B. J. Hotaling.....	155	294	26	24	337
"	6th, Albany, "	F. F. Blessing.....	115	225	22	31	295
"	Westerlo, "	Donald Boyce.....	49	66	7	1	81
Bergen	Hackensack, Italian	S. S. Merlo.....	36	38	10	....	35
"	Rochelle Park, N. J.	E. C. Sult.....	32	42	4	....	130
"	Harrington Park, "	T. E. Adams.....	60	69	1	2	119
"	3rd, Hackensack, "	A. Weber.....	80	90	....	....	....
"	Charles St., West Hoboken, "	Anthony Luidens.....	267	106	13	5	354
"	Woodcliff, "	J. C. Miller.....	145	263	40	12	358
"	Highwood, "	W. N. P. Dailey.....	30	45	....	....	90
So. Bergen.....	West Side, J. C., "	M. F. Luther.....	41	68	....	....	154
"	3rd, Bayonne, "	H. E. Franzen.....	90	130	7	....	8
"	Ger. Evang., J. C., "	Geo. C. Muller.....	106	212	21	....	84
"	Faith, J. C., "	Jas. B. Hunter.....	89	163	41	7	346
"	Park, J. C., "	.....	....	....	....	....	....
Cascades	Conrad, Mont.	Wm. Duven.....	35	73	1	3	79
"	Lynden, Wash.	Classical Missionary..	60	110	7	2	70
"	Manhattan, Mont.	Vacant	25	....	3	....	1
"	Monarch, Can.	A. van Dyk.....	20	36	3	2	20
"	Portland, Ore.	Classical Missionary..	18	....	....	....	....
"	Spokane, Wash.	Classical Missionary..	25	....	....	....	....
"	Elk, "	Classical Missionary..	12	....	....	....	....
"	Big Timber, Mont.	.....	....	....	....	....	....
"	New Holland, Can.	.....	....	....	....	....	....
"	Seattle, Wash.	Classical Missionary..	....	....	....	....	....
"	San Francisco, Cal.	Classical Missionary..	200	....	....	....	20
"	North Yakima, Wash.	B. Van Heuvelen....	54	101	3	2	135
"	Oak Harbor, "	H. De Witt.....	31	65	5	2	70
Dakota	Litchville, N. D.	H. V. D. Ploeg.....	36	61	3	2	68
"	Corsica, S. D.	H. M. Pettersen.....	36	75	13	16	49
"	Maurice, Amer., "	Wm. H. Dickens....	26	62	7	....	99
"	Marion, N. D.	J. W. Brink.....	34	78	6	11	95
"	Lake View, S. D.	Classical Missionary..	9	21	....	4	25
"	Hull, Iowa	A. A. Du Bois.....	16	20	1	2	67
"	Grand View, S. D.	L. H. Benes.....	29	56	3	3	66
"	Tyndall, "	Classical Missionary..	16	25	1	2	13
"	Aurora, "	Classical Missionary..	24	47	3	8	42
"	Strasburg, "	Classical Missionary..	8	18	6	12	14
Germania	Scotland, "	F. Schaefer.....	22	52	....	....	48
"	Davis, "	.....	....	....	....	....	....
"	Hope, George, Iowa	Vacant	31	26	1	1	17
"	Herman, Minn.
"	No. Sibley, Iowa	H. J. Potgeter.....	24	26	3	27

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					Confession.	Certificate.		
"	White,	S. D.						
"	Delaware,	"	A. H. Waalkes.....	25	30	5	1	72
Grand River..	Ada,	Mich.	Vacant	47	66	1	2	50
"	Atwood,	"	O. G. Droppers.....	50	135	6	20	100
"	Byron Center,	"	A. J. V. D. Heuvel...	21	45	...	7	70
"	Beverly,	"	Classical Missionary..	16	25	2	...	40
"	E. Paris,	"	J. D. Dykstra.....	69	132	15	3	132
"	Fremont,	"	J. Webinga.....	43	75	1	1	66
"	Lucas,	"	A. Oosterhof.....	34	61	...	5	90
"	Decatur,	"	K. J. Dykema.....	67	135	13	4	152
"	New Era,	"	W. S. Gruys.....	52	90	3	6	98
"	Portage,	"	W. J. Duiker.....	75	158	18	18	140
"	Gd. Rapids, 6th,	"	John Broek.....	67	64	3	4	114
"	Muskegon, 3rd,	"	Vacant					
"	Grant,	"	Ellsworth,					
"	Moddersville,	"	Classical Missionary..	10	22	...		
"	S. Barnard,	"	Classical Missionary..	15	21	...		
"	S. Haven,	"	Classical Missionary..	18	16	2	5	26
"	Falmouth,	"	Classical Missionary..	18	26	2	4	30
Holland	Beechwood,	"	Classical Missionary..	...	...	...
"	1st Cleveland,	Ohio	T. G. Van den Bosch.	47	95	1	...	65
"	Harlem,	Mich.	B. J. Wynveen.....	28	62	5	2	65
"	No. Blendon,	"	J. J. Burggraaf.....	33	70	4	3	63
"	E. Overisel,	"	Jacob Poppen.....	58	145	6	2	82
"	Ebenezer, Holl.,	"	A. H. Strabbing.....	52	122	4	12	117
"	Hudsonville,	"	Classical Missionary..	23	35	7	5	38
"	Three Oaks,	"	E. Furda.....	21	40	3	1	48
"	Ottawa,	"	Classical Missionary..	20	40	12	6	55
"	East End,	"	Classical Missionary..	...	...	...
"	Dunningville,	"	Classical Missionary..	26	61	7	4	54
"	Allegan,	"	Vacant	5	15	...		20
"	Lamont,	"	Vacant	15	28	1	...	
"	6th, Holland,	"	Classical Missionary..	17	45	24	22	136
Hudson	Hung., Hudson,	N. Y.	R. H. Pompl.....	25	60	20	...	29
Illinois	Chicago, West Side							
"	Hungarian,	Ill.						
"	Summit,	"	J. Meulendyke.....	39	66	7	...	90
"	Pennsyl. Lane,	"						
"	Spring Lake,	"	T. Shafer.....	19	48	13	2	35
Iowa	Archer,	Iowa	S. J. Menning.....	34	45	5	4	70
"	Chandler,	Minn.	H. J. Reinhart.....	45	82	4	2	75
"	Doon,	Iowa	E. S. Schilstra.....	25	39	7	3	80
"	Ireton,	"	Wm. Stegeman.....	36	44	4	1	56
"	Rotterdam,	Kan.	J. Hoffman.....	27	58	15	...	56
"	Volga,	S. D.	J. D. Grull.....	20	33	1	1	55
"	Churchville,	Minn.	Geo. E. Cook.....	22	43	2	...	60

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						Confession.	Certificate.	
"	Steen,	"	Geo. Bosch.....	65	125	14	14	125
"	Sandstone,	"	Th. H. De Lange.....	27	53	70
"	Friesland,	"	Th. H. De Lange.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
"	Roseland,	"	Vacant	43	80	6	.....	85
"	Luctor,	Kan.	C. Lepeltak.....	25	57	8	2	60
"	Edgerton,	Minn.	J. De Jongh.....	60	111	.....	17	90
"	Sanborn,	Iowa	B. R. Van Zyl.....	32	68	11	21	64
"	Sioux City,	"	H. Colenbrander....	20	40	6	1	50
"	Matlock,	"	J. W. Kots.....	14	23	2	.....	28
"	Inwood,	"	H. S. Muilenberg....	30	46	4	9	65
"	Rock Rapids,	"	F. G. Dekker, Cl. M.	24	43	17	.....	48
"	Lester,	"	F. G. Dekker, Cl. M.	18	43	6	37	43
"	Bigelow,	Minn.	J. W. Kots.....	16	25	1	3	20
"	Twin Brooks,	S. D.	.....	12	18	.....	2	12
"	Sibley,	Iowa	Vacant	15	33	3	2	25
"	Alvoord,	"	D. Scholten, Cl. M....	11	13	1	.....	25
"	Valley Springs,	S. D.	D. Scholten, Cl. M....	12	.....	.....	.....	40
Kingston	Krumville,	N. Y.	T. A. Beekman.....	.....	.....	3	1	53
No. L. Island.	Ridgewood, Brook-	N. Y.	G. R. Israel.....	50	150	9	.....	242
"	lyn,	"	W T. E. Adams.....	45	90	12	.....	140
"	Hicksville,	"	J. C. Ottinger.....	55	60	9	1	50
"	New Hyde Park,	"	Wm. N. MacNeill....	38	57	7	2	163
"	Far Rockaway,	"	J. G. Bosshart.....	81	141	16	.....	45
"	Church of Jesus,	"	C. Oswald.....	85	175	8	.....	325
So. I. Island..	Brooklyn,	"	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
"	Woodlawn, Brook-	"	John G. Addy.....	200	207	20	9	320
"	lyn,	"	Alexander Wouters...	140	200	5	9	200
"	Edgewood, Brook-	"	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
"	lyn,	"	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
"	Greenwood Hts.,	"	S. G. Tyndall.....	110	245	25	9	330
"	Brooklyn,	"	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
"	Ocean Hill, Brook-	"	A. Hageman.....	100	158	10	3	174
"	lyn,	"	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
"	Church of Jesus,	"	C. W. Oswald.....	82	178	4	.....	325
"	Brooklyn,	"	A. H. Leslie.....	45	59	6	.....	34
"	St. Thomas,	D. W. I.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
"	Bethany, Brook-	"	A. J. Waugh.....	42	71	4	3	59
"	lyn,	N.Y.	F. L. Cornish.....	184	332	6	10	384
"	Woodhaven,	"	R. J. Van den Berg...	58	110	4	8	130
Michigan	No. Pk., K'zoo,	Mich.	J. Van Zomeren.....	94	166	38	8	370
"	Trinity, G. Rap.,	"	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
"	Immanuel, Grand	"	I. Van Westenburg...	114	220	6	32	318
"	Rapids,	"	A. J. Te Paske.....	77	157	13	6	234
"	Bethel, G. Rap.,	"	J. Van Peursem.....	150	341	15	51	620
"	Trinity, Holland,	"

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					Confession.	Certificate.	
"	Bethany, K'zoo.,	" J. Van der Meulen...	128	239	15	5	506
"	Calvary, G. Rap.,	" C. P. Dame.....	40	75	31	8	23
"	Knapp Ave., Gr. Rapids,	" Classical Missionary..	15	38	15	2	50
"	Hamilton,	" R. D. Meengs.....	30	60	4	3	90
"	Zion,	" Classical Missionary..	18	32	16	16	40
"	Muskegon,	" Classical Missionary..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Monmouth	Red Bank,	N. J. L. G. Leggett.....	130	314	50	7	485
Montgomery	Cicero,	N. Y. R. A. Stanton.....	68	94	19	.....	110
"	Ephratah,	" R. A. Stanton.....	22	54	10	3	69
"	Stone Arabia,	" P. S. Beekman.....	87	148	6	3	145
"	Johnstown,	" D. Febrile.....	165	118	18	.....	175
"	Mapletown,	" Jacob Ganss.....	160	178	16	.....	100
"	2nd, Syracuse,	" Thos. Adams.....	114	272	51	19	305
Newark	Netherwood,	N. J. Alex. S. Van Dyck... 110 244 9 11 260	110	244	9	11	260
"	Marconnier,	" E. S. Ralston.....	70	138	31	18	239
"	Italian, Newark,	" J. T. Lansdale.....	40	61	5	2	70
Brunswick	Perth Amboy,	" D. Febrile.....	165	118	18	.....	175
"	Highland Park,	" Jacob Ganss.....	160	178	16	.....	100
"	Bonhamtown,	" F. K. Shield.....	114	272	51	19	305
"	East Somerville,	" Thos. Adams.....	.....	.....	5	.....	100
New York	Huguenot, Park, S. I.	" C. A. Hallenbeck.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	32
"	West Farms, N. Y. C.	De W. C. Snyder.... 25 41 2 2 76	25	41	2	2	76
"	Mariners Harbor,	N. Y. G. S. Bolsterle, S.S... 50 50 2 2 145	50	50	2	2	145
"	Anderson Memorial,	N. Y. Wm. E. Compton.... 108 119 9 1 227	108	119	9	1	227
"	McKee,	Ky. Isaac Messler.....	30	61	13	.....	160
"	Annnville,	" W. A. Worthington... 63 88 25 1 400	63	88	25	1	400
"	Colony,	Okla. H. A. Vruwink.....	164	281	8	.....	105
"	Comanche,	Miss. R. H. Harper.....	110	185	9	.....	115
"	Apache,	" R. H. Harper.....	20	2	.....	35	.....
"	Winnebago,	Nebr. G. Watermulder.....	78	205	27	1	70
"	Mescalero,	N. M. N. R. Curtis.....	100	189	9	.....	200
"	Hungarian Mission,	H. Holt.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Orange	Callicoon,	N. Y. J. E. Straub.. 75 113 13 215	75	113	13	.....	78
"	Italian, Newburgh,	" P. S. Moncada.....	209	26	4	.....	215
"	Minisink,	" E. S. J. Patterson... 27 61 35	27	61	.....	.....	35
"	Hainesville,	N. J. E. S. J. Patterson... 40	.....	.....	.....	.....	40
disades	1st, Hoboken,	" J. D. Peters.....	52	121	9	4	135
"	Secaucus,	" Student	30	60	8	.....	139
"	Italian, New Durham,	" F. E. Jacobellis.....	150	.....	.....	.....	223
ramus	Garfield,	" Eugene Hill.....	50	95	4	1	111
"	Saddle River,	" I. Van Kampen.....	80	93	1	5	52
"	Waldwick,	" I. Van Kampen.....	13	27	4	70

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CLASSES.	CHURCHES.	MINISTERS.	Families.	Members.	Rec'd.		In Sunday Schools.
					Confession.	Certificate.	
"	Hohokus,	J. A. Terhune.....	50	78	2	2	104
"	Upper Ridgew'd,	J. A. Terhune.....	40				74
"	Clifton, Holland,	J. H. E. TeGrootenhuis	53	107	6	9	135
"	North Paterson,	E. B. Van Arsdale...	65	122	2	8	150
"	Glen Rock,	D. C. Weidner.....	60	75	12	4	130
"	Hawthorne,	W. S. Bloom.....	80	130	3	20	157
"	2nd, Lodi,	A. J. Van Houten....					
Passaic	2nd, Little Falls,	S. Zandstra.....	45	89	2	3	65
"	Wanaque,	H. A. Deck.....	62	112	16	2	191
"	Mountain Lakes,	T. E. Gouwens.....	75	98	10	18	92
Pella	Eddyville, Iowa	Vacant.....	17	32		2	40
"	New Sharon,	E. Huibregtse.....	34	80	5	2	125
"	Prairie City,	Ph. G. Meengs.....	45	91	2	5	122
"	Sully,	C. W. Deelsynder....	34	53	5	4	60
"	Muscataine,	Vacant.....	22	56	2		46
"	Oskaloosa,	Classical Missionary..	20	35	3	4	35
"	Albia,						
"	Galesburg,	G. C. Heneveld.....	11	21	3	1	20
"	Killduff,	G. C. Heneveld.....	22	46	16	4	55
Philadelphia	Florence, S. C.	H. A. Barnes.....	9	21	1	2	30
"	Timmons ville,	A. J. Wilkinson.....	12	30	3		50
Pl. Prairie	Arlington, Iowa	Geo. Schnucker.....	60	75	6	5	124
"	Elim, Ill.	F. H. Kroesche.....	34	65			56
"	Peoria,	A. J. Reeverts.....	45	47	2	2	134
"	Delaware, S. D.						
"	Bristow, Iowa	A. Wubbena.....	36	33	6	1	
"	2nd, Pekin, Ill.	A. A. Kroesche.....	42	101			106
"	Dumont, Iowa	Classical Missionary..	27				
"	Fairview,	Classical Missionary..	9				20
"	Alexander,	J. Schaefer.....	38	54		2	56
"	Claremont, S. D.						
"	Melvin, Iowa	Vacant.....	30	24	7	2	40
"	Bethel, George,						
"	Jeffers, Minn.						
"	Britt, Iowa	Classical Missionary..					
"	Fostoria,						
"	Rockford,	Classical Missionary..	8				
"	Brownsdale, Minn.	Classical Missionary..	11				
Poughkeepsie..	Arlington, N. Y.	A. C. Bird.....					
"	Emanuel, Pough-						
"	keepsie,	Ernest Clapp.....	45	56	13	3	107
"	Beacon, Hung.,	L. S. H. Hamory.....	15	32	32		2
Raritan	Finderne, N. J.	C. A. Hallenbeck.....					2
Rensselaer	Stuyvesant						
"	Falls,	N. Y. Vacant.....					
"	Rensselaer,	D. J. Many.....	62	72	9	2	6
Rochester	Palmyra,	G. Flikkema.....	75	193	3	2	9

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					Confession.	Certificate.		
"	Sodus,	"						
"	Ontario,	"	G. H. Hospers.....	68	19	3	120	
"	Williamson,	"	Classical Missionary..	48	102	21	125	
Saratoga	Beacon Hill,	"	Classical Missionary..	35	107	8	100	
"	Gansevoort,	"	Classical Missionary..	46	67	4	143	
"	Schaghticoke,	"	Classical Missionary..	30	66	1	30	
Schenectady	Hungarian,							
"	Schenectady, N. Y.	R. H. Pompl.....		40			60	
"	Mt. Pleasant,							
"	Schenectady,	"	E. O. Schweiters.....	150	186	7	34	285
"	Amity,	"	J. A. De Hollander...	34	62	3		84
"	Woodlawn,							
"	Schenectady,	"	H. C. Willoughby....	63	120	6	17	171
Schoharie	1st, Howes Cave,	"	Jas. L. Amerman.....	38	44	9	5	44
"	2nd, Howes Cave,	"	H. C. Morehouse.....	72	115	6	2	126
"	Prattsville,	"						
"	Grand Gorge,	"	V. Ziegler.....	30	45			50
"	Cobleskill,	"	Jas. L. Amerman.....	38	44	9	5	44
"	So. Gilboa,	"	V. Ziegler.....	30	74	8		60
Ulster	Esopus,	"	C. Van Oostenbrugge.	75	121	24	2	110
Westchester	Crescent Pl.,							
"	Yonkers,	"	J. S. Allen.....	54	50	2	2	120
"	Mile Square,							
"	Yonkers,	"	C. Armbruster.....	43	79	17		125
"	Elmsford,	"	A. V. S. Wallace.....	75	77	7	2	125
"	Scarsdale,	"	J. A. Harper.....	27	30			25
"	1st, Peekskill,	"	Jas. Mulder.....	54	83	8	11	60
"	Hungarian,							
"	Peekskill,	"	L. S. H. Hamory.....	44	72	14		50
"	1st, Yonkers,	"	Fred. W. Cutler.....	181	468	22	1	300
Wisconsin	De Motte,	Ind.						
"	2nd, Englewood,	Ill.	J. Dykstra.....	90	192	11	10	225
"	Sheboygan,	Wis.	M. C. Ruissard.....	77	181	5	20	149
"	West Side,							
"	Chicago,	Ill.	H. J. Pietenpol.....	72	142	15	12	173
"	Lafayette,	Ind.	P. Siegers.....	51	92	3		96
"	Danforth,	Ill.	P. C. DeJong.....	50	126	3	4	100
"	Ustick,	Ill.	J. P. Voorberge.....	38	50		4	55
"	Newton,	"	B. T. Vander Woude.	55	48	16	2	120
"	Mt. Greenwood,	"		75	148	11	2	180
"	Indianapolis,	Ind.	Vacant	17	28	5		13
"	Emanuel,							
"	Chicago,	Ill.	J. E. Bennink.....	61	103	8	28	250
"	Wichert,	"	F. Zandstra.....	63	124	6	15	120
"	Randolph,	Wis.	Wm. Wolvius.....	60	105	6	8	65
"	Forestville,	"	E. A. Schroeder.....	21	44	10	8	57

DOMESTIC MISSIONS
AUDITOR'S STATEMENT

May 18, 1917.

MR. GEORGE WARREN DUNN, *Chairman*, Business Committee,
Board of Domestic Missions, Reformed Church in America,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir: During the year ended April 30, 1917, we have, each month, audited the cash transactions and written up the books of the Treasurer of the Board of Domestic Missions and submit herewith

STATEMENT OF CONDITION as at April 30, 1917

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

MISSIONARY FUND

for the Year Ended April 30, 1917

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

CHURCH BUILDING FUND

for the Year Ended April 30, 1917

The total amount of bequests and donations of which the principal is invested, amounts to \$251,700.56, which has been accounted for as shown in the attached "Statement of Condition." The amount of money on deposit with the Union Trust Company was verified and evidence of ownership of the several bonds and mortgages were inspected, together with the stocks and bonds as listed. We have performed the necessary work to satisfy ourselves that all cash transactions have been properly accounted for.

At this date it is impossible to ascertain the amount of accrued income from legacies or donations to the Board of Domestic Missions, held in trust by the Board of Direction of the General Synod, for the reason that they have not as yet pro-rated and determined such amount.

Respectfully submitted,

McWHORTER, BOYCE, HUGHES AND FARRELL,

By CHAS. F. McWHORTER,

Certified Public Accountants, University of the State of New York.

BOARD OF DOMESTIC MISSIONS

STATEMENT OF CONDITIONS. APRIL 30 1917.

FUND TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR:

Catherine Beekman Brownlee Memorial Fund	\$2,000.00	
Florence Lindsey Memorial Fund.....	1,000.00	
Ann R. Cook Memorial Fund.....	1,000.00	
Graham Memorial Fund.....	14,212.50	
Milledoler Memorial Fund...*	14,212.50	
Van Kleek Memorial Fund.....	11,000.00	
Jansen Memorial Fund.....	8,000.00	
Krumville Memorial Fund.....	2,000.00	
Peter I. Neefus Annuity Fund.....	3,000.00	
Peter Semelink Annuity Fund.....	2,000.00	
Dirk Van Obbink Annuity Fund.....	500.00	
A. J. Schaefer Legacy Fund.....	150.00	
Josiah Schenck Legacy Fund.....	3,537.15	
Blauvelt Legacy Fund.....	1,000.00	
Sarah F. Sumner Legacy Fund.....	2,500.00	
Peter I. Neefus Building Fund.....	9,000.00	
Mary Martin Neefus Building Fund.....	3,000.00	
Women's Executive Committee Trust Fund	7,500.00	
G. W. Hopper Trust Fund.....	1,500.00	
Rosendale Trust Fund.....	500.00	
Mary Martin Neefus Fund.....	15,532.23	
Arianna Van Houton Fund.....	4,000.00	
Madison Avenue Reformed Church Fund..	10,000.00	
		\$117,144.38
Mrs. Rachel A. Ryerson Legacy Fund....	\$2,000.00	
John Van der Veer Legacy Fund.....	950.00	
Jane Helen Elmendorf Legacy Fund.....	953.00	
John Antonides Legacy Fund.....	4,728.00	
M. F. Vedder Legacy Fund.....	4,386.23	
Phoebe J. Cowenhoven Legacy Fund.....	891.85	
Jane C. Morris Legacy Fund.....	1,000.00	
Goyen Talmage Legacy Fund.....	250.00	
Alida Van Schaick Legacy Fund.....	109,669.10	
George Cleveland Legacy Fund.....	5,000.00	
John Antonides Building Fund.....	4,728.00	
		\$134,556.18
		\$251,700.56
Contingent Fund.....	\$35,000.00	
Legacy Fund—		
Invested	\$44,060.61	
Cash	45,939.39	
		90,000.00
Missionary Fund	5,808.54	
Church Building Fund.....	15,483.40	
		146,291.94
		\$397,992.50

DOMESTIC MISSIONS

ACCOUNTED FOR AS FOLLOWS:

Investments:

Bond and Mortgage.....	\$25,000.00	
Bond and Mortgage.....	10,000.00	
Bond and Mortgage.....	12,000.00	
Bond and Mortgage.....	14,500.00	
Bond and Mortgage.....	7,000.00	
Bond and Mortgage.....	7,250.00	
Bond and Mortgage.....	8,000.00	
Bond and Mortgage.....	7,000.00	
Real Estate.....	11,876.48	
United States Bonds.....	3,228.43	
Stock	355.00	
Asbury Park Contract of Purchase...	500.00	
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		\$106,709.91

Received as Legacies:

Bond and Mortgage.....	\$4,000.00	
Bond and Mortgage.....	3,500.00	
Bond and Mortgage.....	2,000.00	
Stocks	34,055.13	
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		43,555.13

Held in Trust:

Board of Direction	\$129,556.18	
United States Trust Company.....	5,000.00	
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		134,556.18

Cash in Union Trust Company:

General Investment Fund.....	\$10,939.95	
Contingent Fund.....	35,000.00	
Missionary Fund Income.....	51,747.93	
Church Building Fund Income.....	15,483.40	
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		113,171.28
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		\$397,992.50

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BOARD OF DOMESTIC MISSIONS

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

Year Ended April 30, 1917.

MISSIONARY FUND

Cash on Hand, May 1, 1916:

Designated for Students' Salaries.....	\$2,500.00	
In Legacy Fund.....	38,439.39	
Available Funds.....	1,733.93	
	<hr/>	\$42,673.32

RECEIPTS

Contributions:

From Churches	\$55,865.57	
From Sunday Schools	12,241.28	
From Individuals	1,882.08	
From Auxiliaries	1,091.78	
	<hr/>	\$71,080.71

Women's Board of Domestic Missions:

For Classical Missionaries ...	\$2,500.00	
For Student Missionaries ...	2,500.00	
For Rent	450.00	
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Legacies:

Thomas Edwards	\$4,175.97	
Katherine S. DuBois.....	1,425.62	
Van Neste Property Sale....	10,165.02	
Estate of Mary A. Maxwell...	2,134.96	
Estate of Komer Schaddelee..	1,789.60	
Mrs. De Graff.....	100.00	
John S. Bussing.....	2,000.00	
A. M. Bodine.....	6,224.52	
Mrs. E. D. Toomsen.....	475.00	
Sarah A. Messenger.....	2,500.00	
Mary B. Sanborn for Indian Mission	1,000.00	
Haskell A. Searle.....	8,424.51	
	<hr/>	40,415.20

Income from Investments.....	\$6,610.14	
Interest on Bank Balances.....	2,054.77	
Sale of Property.....	4,996.61	
Miscellaneous	30.35	
	<hr/>	13,691.87

TOTAL RECEIPTS.....

130,637.78

\$173,311.10

DOMESTIC MISSIONS

DISBURSEMENTS

Service in the Field:

Classical Missionaries	\$20,740.74	
Missionary Salaries	50,809.82	
Students' Salaries	6,692.22	
Missionary Field Expenses...	25.00	
Alien Workers	11,805.52	
Sundry Field Expenses.....	401.55	
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		\$90,474.85

Furnishing Information of the Work:

Mission Field	\$750.44	
Missionary Education	507.43	
Secretaries' Traveling	814.45	
Printing Leaflets	1,175.48	
Printing Annual Report.....	365.75	
Home Missions Council.....	355.56	
Denominational Papers	300.00	
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		4,269.11

Administrative Expenses:

Secretaries' Salaries	\$5,416.62	
Office Assistant	900.00	
Rent	1,325.00	
Stationery and Printing.....	269.48	
Audit	100.00	
Legal Expenses	290.55	
Sundries	322.47	
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	8,624.12	
Less, Building Fund Proportion	862.41	
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		7,761.71
Interest on Church Mortgages....	\$485.00	
Annuities	72.50	
Women's Board of Domestic Missions—Sanborn Legacy	1,000.00	
Legacy Funds Invested.....	7,500.00	
Transfer to Contingent Fund.....	10,000.00	
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		19,057.50
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TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS.....		\$121,563.17

Cash on Hand, April 30, 1917:

Designated for Students' Salaries.....	\$2,500.00	
In Legacy Fund.....	45,939.39	
Available Funds.....	3,308.54	
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		\$51,747.93
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		\$173,311.10

CHARLES W. OSBORNE, *Treasurer.*

BOARD OF DOMESTIC MISSIONS
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
Year Ended April 30, 1917.

CHURCH BUILDING FUND

Cash on Hand, May 1, 1916..... \$19,552.16

RECEIPTS

Contributions:

From Churches	\$10,099.97	
From Sunday Schools	1,025.39	
From Young People's Societies	795.78	
From Individuals	493.76	
	<hr/>	\$12,414.90

Women's Board of Domestic Missions:

For Parsonages, etc.:

Red Bank, N. J.....	\$500.00
Sibley, Ia.	150.00
Netherwood, N. J.....	700.00
Grand Rapids, Mich.....	800.00
Ireton, Ia.	500.00
Horton Memorial Church.	1,600.00
Prairie City, Ia.....	800.00
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	\$5,050.00

For Furnishings:

Sanborn, Ia.	\$300.00	
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Repayments on Account of Mortgages:

Leighton, Ia.	\$600.00
First, Grandville, Mich.....	150.00
Meservey, Ia.	195.00
Luctor, Kansas	225.00
Fourth, Holland, Mich.....	72.27
Seventh Grand Rapids, Mich.	170.00
American, Orange City, Ia...	200.00
So. Buswick, Brooklyn.....	208.78
Oostburg, Wis.	600.00
Bethany, Kalamazoo, Mich....	50.00
Grace, Grand Rapids Mich...	121.00
Belmond, Ia.	30.00
Montclair, N. J.....	100.00
Spring Valley, Ill.....	50.00
Williamson, N. Y.....	72.00
Carmel, Ia.	50.00
Dell Rapids, S. D.....	70.00
Abbe, Clymer, N. Y.....	50.00
Baker, Ia.	30.00
Baldwin, Wis.	50.00
Altamont, N. Y.....	100.00
Second, Muskegon, Mich.....	2,035.00
American, Maurice, Ia.....	40.00

DOMESTIC MISSIONS

South Blendon, Mich.....	160.00	
Waupun, Wis.	150.00	
Randolph, Wis.	63.60	
Castlewood, S. D.....	50.00	
First, Lodi, N. J.....	70.00	
Atwood, Mich.	139.00	
Wichert, Ill.	100.00	
Calvary, Cleveland, O.....	105.84	
Stout, Ia.	30.00	
Hull, Ia.	105.00	
Mariners Harbor, N. Y.....	40.00	
Trinity, Holland, Mich.....	75.00	
Second, Grand Haven, Mich..	100.00	
Indianapolis, Ind.	25.00	
DeMott, Ind.	200.00	
Second, Little Falls, N. J....	100.00	
Second, Kalamazoo, Mich....	657.00	
Locust Valley, N. Y.....	50.00	
First, Long Island City N. Y.	130.00	
Verdoy, N. Y.....	100.00	
Prairie City, Ia.....	100.00	
Silver Creek, Minn.....	58.00	
Sixth, Albany, N. Y.....	80.00	
Second, Rochester, N. Y.....	100.00	
Immanuel Grand Rapids, Mich	50.00	
Bloomington, N. Y.....	100.00	
Park Hill, N. Y.....	300.00	
Ustick, Ill.	100.00	
Harrington Park, N. J.....	50.00	
Second, Syracuse, N. Y.....	260.00	
West Side, Chicago, Ill.....	75.00	
Third Albany, N. Y.....	80.00	
		9,072.49
Interest.....	\$4,183.01	
Sale of Property:		
Constantine, Mich.	1,400.00	
Norwood Park	301.00	
Legacy, John S. Bussing.....	2,000.00	
		7,884.01
TOTAL RECEIPTS.....		\$34,721.40
		\$54,273.56

DISBURSEMENTS

Churches:

Sectional Church, East Holland	\$611.48
Steen, Minn.	2,000.00
German Church, Newtown, N. Y.	2,900.00
Sanborn, Ia.	2,500.00
Netherwood, N. J.....	2,000.00
First, Sioux City, Ia.....	1,000.00
East Overisel, Mich.....	1,700.00
First, Sibley, Ia.....	2,000.00

Red Bank, N. J.....	5,500.00	
Sectional Church, Grand Rapids, Mich.	822.25	
Williamson, N. Y.....	3,000.00	
Woodcliff, N. J.....	3,000.00	
Zion, Grand Rapids, Mich....	1,500.00	
Knapp Ave., Grand Rapids, Mich.	600.00	
Charles St. Chapel, West Hoboken, N. J.....	375.00	
		\$29,508.73
Parsonages:		
Ireton, Ia.		500.00
Furnishings:		
Netherwood, N. J.....	\$700.00	
Sanborn, Ia.	300.00	
Sully, Ia.	400.00	
		1,400.00
Interest on Church Mortgages:		
West Side, Jersey City, N. J.	\$224.10	
Greenwood Heights, Bklyn., N. Y.	500.00	
Edgewood, Bklyn., N. Y....	150.00	
Church of Jesus, Bklyn., N. Y.	350.00	
Mountain Lakes, N. J.....	442.50	
Woodcliff, N. J.....	180.00	
Clifton, N. J.....	125.00	
Newburgh, N. Y.....	100.00	
Charles Street, West Hoboken, N. J.	172.04	
Howes Cave, N. Y.....	36.00	
Second, Lodi, N. J.....	90.00	
Forest Park, Bklyn., N. Y....	275.00	
Highland Park, New Brunswick	80.00	
		2,724.64
Women's Board of Domestic Missions:		
Repayments		3,604.50
Expenses:		
Legal	\$127.35	
Insurance, Finderne, N. J....	44.00	
Taxes, Constantine, Mich....	14.78	
Proportion of Office Expense.	862.41	
Miscellaneous	3.75	
		1,052.29
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS.....		\$38,790.16
Cash on Hand, April 30, 1917.....		15,483.40
		\$54,273.56

CHARLES W. OSBORNE, *Treasurer.*

SUMMARY OF CONTRIBUTIONS, SHOWING CLASSICAL
AND SYNODICAL TOTALS.

CLASSES AND CHURCHES.	Missionary Fund.		Church Bldg. Fund.		From Y. P. Societies.	For W. B. D. M.	Totals.
	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
ALBANY							
Albany	1422 50	84 12	352 03	20 85	10 00	1347 60	3237 10
Greene	529 54	54 25	88 98	.....	7 50	480 77	1161 04
Montgomery	915 90	180 82	189 82	.....	21 33	1256 52	2564 39
Rensselaer	491 59	63 07	78 21	3 00	12 50	663 18	1311 54
Rochester	1048 49	409 64	248 99	.....	21 00	530 18	2258 30
Saratoga	281 49	56 46	77 11	10 00	.....	354 08	779 14
Schenectady	645 68	118 83	85 61	.....	16 31	1036 60	1903 03
Schoharie	215 17	10 20	31 69	.....	5 00	197 81	459 87
Ulster	441 37	107 48	68 10	.....	7 63	512 94	1137 52
Totals	5991 72	1084 87	1220 54	33 85	101 27	6379 68	14811 93
NEW YORK							
Hudson	728 21	48 73	107 18	6 32	35 41	523 32	1449 17
Kingston	404 37	45 46	21 39	5 00	28 86	472 80	977 88
North Long Island	1283 54	148 23	341 96	17 92	3 53	1027 35	2822 53
South Long Island	1516 60	498 06	293 01	17 00	.....	3469 64	5794 31
New York	8361 08	453 58	874 12	45 63	51 80	10887 17	20673 38
Orange	584 84	114 16	101 17	.....	2 00	577 02	1379 19
Poughkeepsie	612 32	68 18	148 98	.....	.....	1084 58	1914 06
Westchester	1171 57	89 93	227 60	26 69	6 85	968 75	2491 39
Totals	14662 53	1466 33	2115 41	118 56	128 45	19010 63	37501 91
NEW BRUNSWICK							
Bergen	1066 96	251 31	134 15	.....	32 42	1259 31	2744 15
South Bergen	1308 59	169 02	250 57	.....	12 00	726 21	2466 39
Monmouth	352 57	52 82	78 29	.....	2 50	386 51	872 69
Newark	1489 99	228 78	387 45	10 00	9 01	3495 90	5621 13
New Brunswick	1480 94	192 22	333 07	8 64	31 00	1322 36	3368 23
Palisades	586 55	181 00	121 65	.....	4 50	729 98	1623 68
Paramus	2206 71	566 63	581 42	60 38	26 34	3076 37	6517 85
Passaic	615 56	194 03	333 63	13 00	5 00	478 45	1639 67
Philadelphia	639 81	74 94	128 06	.....	24 50	473 74	1361 05
Raritan	841 68	290 05	104 08	34 11	40 00	1948 16	3258 08
Totals	10609 36	2200 80	2452 37	126 13	187 27	13896 99	29472 92
CHICAGO							
Cascades	613 17	123 27	16 10	.....	40 00	127 45	919 99
Dakota	1077 35	210 29	241 05	15 50	9 50	946 55	2500 24
Grand River	2893 54	1544 23	476 51	159 99	85 30	2150 15	6809 72
Germania	1080 93	4 10	191 73	.....	.....	291 13	1567 89
Holland	3530 06	1579 87	293 94	218 15	102 00	1603 21	7327 23
Illinois	1278 55	144 84	44 19	15 00	.....	1364 33	2846 91
Iowa	6154 28	1168 83	1084 71	158 37	99 90	6508 36	15174 45
Michigan	2043 59	605 59	620 82	59 01	31 15	1685 40	5045 56
Pella	1737 87	424 78	288 60	75 00	.....	2740 01	5266 26
Pleasant Prairie	2410 90	83 75	412 32	9 00	36 25	2835 89	5788 11
Wisconsin	3352 70	1612 90	585 14	45 00	155 28	2267 01	8018 11
Totals	25672 94	7502 45	4255 11	755 02	559 38	22519 57	61264 47
Grand Totals	56936 55	12254 45	10043 43	1033 56	976 37	61806 87	143051 23

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE BOARD OF DOMESTIC MISSIONS

(MISSIONARY FUND AND CHURCH BUILDING FUND) BY CLASSES.

	1915-16	1916-17	Increase	Decrease
SYNOD OF ALBANY				
Albany	1802 99	1889 50	86 51	
Greene	694 75	680 27		14 48
Montgomery	1136 35	1307 87	171 52	
Rensselaer	591 04	648 36	57 32	
Rochester	1579 11	1728 12	149 01	
Saratoga	483 28	425 06		58 22
Schenectady	864 55	866 43	1 88	
Schoharie	240 40	262 06	21 66	
Ulster	571 88	624 58	52 70	
Totals	7964 35	8432 25	540 60	72 70
SYNOD OF NEW YORK				
Hudson	977 04	925 85		51 19
Kingston	468 34	505 08	36 74	
North Long Island	1995 52	1795 18		200 31
South Long Island	2377 23	2324 67		52 56
New York	9760 72	9786 21	25 49	
Orange	818 61	802 17		16 44
Poughkeepsie	797 62	829 48	31 86	
Westchester	1334 37	1522 64	188 27	
Totals	18529 45	18491 28	282 36	320 53
SYNOD OF NEW BRUNSWICK				
Bergen	796 03	1484 84	688 81	
South Bergen	1201 60	1740 18	538 58	
Monmouth	370 83	486 18	115 35	
Newark	2506 10	2125 23		380 87
New Brunswick	2062 30	2045 87		16 43
Palisades	1255 70	893 70		362 00
Paramus	3610 18	3441 48		168 70
Passaic	833 56	1161 22	327 66	
Philadelphia	729 69	887 31	157 62	
Raritan	1205 57	1309 92	104 35	
Totals	14571 56	15575 93	1932 37	928 00
SYNOD OF CHICAGO				
Cascades	466 54	792 54	326 00	
Dakota	1278 58	1553 69	275 11	
Grand River	5285 46	4659 57		625 89
Germania	1066 61	1276 76	210 15	
Holland	6326 95	5724 02		602 93
Illinois	1330 83	1482 58	151 75	
Iowa	9871 69	8666 09		1205 60
Michigan	2123 82	3360 16	236 34	
Pella	2694 95	2526 25		168 70
Pleasant Prairie	2683 40	2952 22	268 82	
Wisconsin	5553 28	5751 02	197 74	
Totals	39682 11	38744 90	1665 91	2603 12
Grand Totals	80747 47	81244 36	4421 24	3924 35
Net Increase			496 89	

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE MISSIONARY FUND

COMPARED WITH APPROPRIATIONS MADE FROM THE MISSIONARY FUND
BY THE BOARD OF DOMESTIC MISSIONS

	Contributions 1916-17	Appropriations 1916-17
SYNOD OF ALBANY		
Albany	1506 02	1500 00
Greene	583 79	.....
Montgomery	1096 72	875 00
Rensselaer	554 65	475 00
Rochester	1458 13	1650 00
Saratoga	337 95	425 00
Schenectady	764 51	1400 00
Schaharie	225 37	650 00
Ulster	548 85	150 00
Totals	7076 59	7125 00
SYNOD OF NEW YORK		
Hudson	776 94	900 00
Kingston	449 83	350 00
North Long Island	1431 77	2000 00
South Long Island	2014 66	1925 00
New York	8814 66	2540 00
Orange	699 00	1500 00
Poughkeepsie	680 50	1500 00
Westchester	1261 50	2320 00
Totals	16128 86	13035 00
SYNOD OF NEW BRUNSWICK		
Bergen	1318 27	3395 00
South Bergen	1477 61	2200 00
Monmouth	405 39	520 00
Newark	1708 02	1970 00
New Brunswick	1673 16	1269 00
Palisades	767 55	1150 00
Paramus	2773 34	1910 00
Passaic	809 59	350 00
Philadelphia	734 75	1200 00
Raritan	1131 73	300 00
Totals	12799 41	14204 00
SYNOD OF CHICAGO		
Cascades	736 44	4665 00
Dakota	1287 04	2500 00
Grand River	3937 77	4545 00
Germania	1085 03	2225 00
Holland	5109 93	3320 00
Illinois	1423 39	1075 00
Iowa	7323 11	10023 00
Michigan	2649 18	4320 00
Pella	2162 65	3150 00
Pleasant Prairie	2494 65	1575 00
Wisconsin	4965 60	3700 00
Totals	33175 39	41098 00

SUMMARY OF CONTRIBUTIONS, SHOWING TOTALS FOR EACH CHURCH AND CLASSIS

CLASSES AND CHURCHES.	Missionary Fund.		Church Bldg. Fund.		From Y. P. Societies.	For W. B. D. M.	Totals.
	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF ALBANY							
First Albany	400 00		100 00		10 00	433 75	943 75
Madison Ave, Albany	721 76	50 00	227 29			485 49	1484 54
Third Albany	25 00					45 00	70 00
Fourth Albany	60 00					55 00	115 00
Fifth Albany	7 00	24 64				15 00	46 64
Sixth Albany	68 75			10 00		28 80	107 55
First Bethlehem	40 22					146 36	186 58
Second Berne							
Clarksville	3 88		77				4 65
Coeymans						15 00	15 00
Delmar	31 10		12 44			60 00	103 54
Jerusalem	20 00		2 00			15 00	37 00
Knox							
N. Baltimore	18 55	5 30				37 00	60 85
N. Salem	11 14	4 18	2 14	85		5 00	23 31
Onesquethaw	5 00						5 00
Union			7 39				7 39
Westerlo	10 10					6 20	16 30
Cedar Hill				10 00			10 00
Totals	1422 50	84 12	352 03	20 85	10 00	1347 60	3237 10
CLASSIS OF BERGEN							
First Hackensack	167 61	26 91	25 00			272 50	492 02
Schraalenberg	11 61	28 57	12 98			141 67	194 83
Eng. Neighborhood	5 55		5 70			11 75	23 00
Second Hackensack	572 49		26 07			377 00	975 56
Third Hackensack	15 00					4 00	19 00
Closter	36 72	21 60	5 00			96 00	159 32
No. Hackensack	32 00	14 64	2 00		13 00	24 58	86 22
Spring Valley						12 00	12 00
Westwood	91 46	20 30			19 42	33 00	164 18
Oradell	34 71	39 34	39 40			116 05	229 50
Hasbrouck Hts.	10 00					34 00	44 00
Highwood	15 00					35 00	50 00
Rochelle Park	5 00					24 54	29 54
Bogota						62 90	62 90
Harrington Park	19 64	5 12	8 00			14 32	47 08
Italian, Hackensack	5 00						5 00
North Bergen	45 17	94 83	10 00				150 00
Totals	1066 96	251 31	134 15		32 42	1259 31	2744 15
CLASSIS OF SOUTH BERGEN							
Bergen	257 07	23 17	96 43			185 61	562 28
First Bayonne	475 65	30 00	17 50		5 00	35 00	563 15
Van Vorst	46 86	45 60	10 00		2 00	83 38	187 84
Park						72 00	72 00
Fifth St., Bayonne	206 85	35 16	30 64		5 00	133 74	411 39

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CLASSES AND CHURCHES.	Missionary Fund.		Church Bldg. Fund.		From Y. P. Societies.	For W. E. D. M.	Totals.
	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF SOUTH BERGEN (Continued)							
Lafayette	218 00	35 09	71 00			91 34	415 43
Greenville	24 16					42 00	66 16
Third Bayonne	10 00		5 00				15 00
First German, Jersey City	10 00						10 00
St. John's, Jersey City							
Faith, Jersey City	60 00		20 00			83 14	163 14
West Side							
Totals	1308 59	160 02	250 57		12 00	726 21	2466 39
CLASSIS OF CASCADES							
Carlstadt	32 00						32 00
Hope							
Lynden	171 74	6 52					178 25
Manhattan	5 75					14 87	20 62
Monarch	20 00					17 00	37 00
Conrad	58 00	50 00	2 50			1 33	113 83
No. Yakima	76 00	45 00			40 00	30 00	191 00
Oak Harbor	63 22	21 75	13 60			49 25	147 82
Spokane	25 60						25 60
Portland							
Elk	32 65						32 65
Vincent	5 75						5 75
Seattle						15 00	15 00
San Francisco	61 00						61 00
Albia	28 00						28 00
Big Timber	3 46						3 46
New Holland	30 00						30 00
Totals	613 17	123 27	16 10		40 00	127 45	919 99
CLASSIS OF DAKOTA							
Castlewood	40 00	9 00	22 24			4 00	75 24
Chas. Mix	70 00		10 00				80 00
Corsica	11 52		6 00			20 00	37 52
Grand View	10 35		3 94				14 29
Harrison	168 12	18 62	22 21			147 32	356 27
Hull, American	24 00				5 00		29 00
Lake View	13 27		1 50			5 00	19 77
Litchville	50 92			15 50		15 50	81 92
Strasburg			5 00			5 00	10 00
Maurice, Amer.	45 10		15 43		4 50	119 52	184 55
Sandham	30 00	27 53	32 87			144 31	234 71
No. Marion	91 19					20 06	111 25
Orange City, American	266 05	115 14	75 95			183 15	640 29
Springfield	85 03	15 00	24 54			92 44	217 01
Tyndall							
Westfield	146 89	25 00	19 37			140 25	331 51
Aurora	21 00		2 00			50 00	73 00
Estellene	3 91						3 91
Totals	1077 35	210 29	241 05	15 50	9 50	946 55	2500 24

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	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF GERMANIA							
Chancellor	64 50		5 00			44 00	113 50
Baker	31 97		15 00			10 00	56 97
Bethany, Clara City.....	70 00		10 00			30 00	110 00
Bethel	30 00		13 00			35 25	78 25
Fostoria	50 00					17 00	67 20
Davis	30 00	2 60	10 00			32 60	65 20
Delaware	38 50		12 25			32 58	83 33
Herman	14 00						14 00
Hope, George	65 50	1 50	5 00				72 00
Second, Lennox	100 00		16 85			31 25	148 10
Logan	43 74		10 00			17 00	70 74
Monroe, S. D.....	114 38		10 00				124 38
North Sibley	25 00		7 06				32 06
Salem	145 75		40 00			20 35	206 10
Scotland	82 89		37 57			9 10	129 56
Sibley	20 00					22 00	42 00
White							
Parkersburg, German.....	154 70						154 70
Totals	1080 93	4 10	191 73			291 13	1567 93
CLASSIS OF GRAND RIVER							
Ada	18 40	5				8	31 40
Atwood	25 42						25 42
Beverly	23 25		4 23				27 48
Byron Center	47 48	50 00	16 56			22 13	136 17
Coopersville	187 68		23 73		30 30	193 46	435 17
Decatur	24 00		6 00			14 00	44 00
Detroit	181 65	144 17	35 00			82 71	443 53
East Paris	23 80					4 37	28 17
Falmouth	11 14		2 00				13 14
Fremont	36 69	8 94			4 50	43 88	94 01
First Grand Haven	144 33	126 71	71 61		25 00	88 65	456 30
Third Grand Rapids.....	296 19					191 00	487 19
Fourth Grand Rapids.....	115 00	133 00		20 00		90 00	358 00
Fifth Grand Rapids.....	291 00	367 91	43 90	59 99		285 67	1048 47
Sixth Grand Rapids.....	87 20	10 92	68 00		5 00	21 38	192 50
Seventh Grand Rapids.....	33 00	90 00				75 00	198 00
Eighth Grand Rapids.....	91 85	140 00	19 69			31 41	282 95
Ninth Grand Rapids.....	65 00	25 00	5 00	35 00	5 00	164 42	299 42
Grandville	50 56	126 65			10 50	53 50	241 21
Grant	11 11						11 11
First Kalamazoo	82 26	10 89		20 00		174 01	287 16
Third Kalamazoo	13 92	65 00	57 22			81 00	217 14
Fourth Kalamazoo	21 50				5 00	16 00	42 50
Moddersville	7 27		5 43				12 70
First Muskegon		79 97		25 00		355 00	459 97
Third Muskegon	21 00	6 00	3 00			19 00	49 00
New Era	24 00	14 50	6 80			39 06	84 36
Plainfield	6 00	7 50					13 50
Portage	38 10	73 07	45 00			20 00	176 17
Lucas	55 83		10 00			20 50	86 33
Spring Lake	73 05	30 00	17 75			44 00	164 80
Twin Lakes	34 00	29 00	20 00			12 00	95 00

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	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF GRAND RIVER (Continued)							
Knapp Avenue	13 00						13 00
Lamont	109 06		15 59				124 65
Allegan	43 50						43 50
McBain	11 30						11 30
Allendale	10 00						10 00
Mission Fest.	65 00						65 00
Totals	2393 54	1544 23	476 51	159 99	85 30	2150 15	6809 72
CLASSIS OF GREENE							
Athens	55 11		10 00			41 00	106 11
Catskill	298 33	14 25	55 24			280 41	657 23
First Cossackie	24 07		9 98			62 88	96 93
Second Cossackie	107 07	17 53	6 01		7 50	51 68	189 79
Kiskatom	29 96	16 97	5 00			35 80	87 73
Leeds	15 00		2 75				17 75
4-Mile Point (Cossackie)....		5 50					5 50
Totals	529 54	54 25	88 98		7 50	480 77	1161 04
CLASSIS OF HOLLAND							
Beaverdam	65 74						65 74
First Cleveland	17 46	38 14	10 19			20 25	86 04
Calvary, Cleveland	229 34	127 25	30 24	94 05	10 00	77 64	568 52
Dunningville	92 98		9 45				102 43
East Overisel	97 47	30 38					127 85
Ebenezer	57 25	75 50	10 54			30 00	173 29
Graafschap	78 04		12 58		6 00		219 52
Hamilton	54 55	95 00	6 34			122 90	355 89
Beechwood		3 30					3 30
Harlem	15 31	3 50	5 25			4 65	28 71
First Holland	356 40	125 00	1 00	18 37	12 50	74 80	588 07
Third Holland	380 00	113 29	15 20	5 73	40 00	259 41	813 63
Fourth Holland	74 65	46 00			5 00	47 00	172 65
Hudsonville	60 00						60 00
First Jamestown	105 80	192 96	14 05			47 93	360 74
Second Jamestown	148 13		11 39			80 00	239 52
North Blendon	40 27	25 00	10 00			26 88	102 15
North Holland	100 33	30 00	35 00			136 00	301 33
Overisel	337 26	134 53	99 40	100 00	19 25	178 50	868 94
South Blendon	10 08	34 00	9 65		9 25	59 00	121 98
Three Oaks	46 00		5 00			15 80	66 80
Vriesland	69 19	155 00				171 25	395 44
First Zeeland	525 42	122 92				145 00	793 34
Second Zeeland	449 68	225 00	15 00			166 20	795 88
Pine Creek		3 10					3 10
No. Groningen	4 25						4 25
Colonial Miss. Fest.	100 92						100 92
Ottawa	7 20						7 20
Totals	3530 06	1579 87	293 94	218 15	102 00	1603 21	7327 23

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	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF HUDSON							
Claverack	14 80	7 61	13 23			95 77	131 41
Gallatin	18 33	2 50				7 85	28 68
Germantown	37 56	9 25	10 00		5 00	25 00	86 81
Greenport	4 98	1 50	3 26			118 00	127 74
Hudson	291 26	88	30 25		3 10	111 29	436 78
Linlithgo	72 24	2 50		1 20	1 74	14 23	91 91
Livingston Memorial	10 00						10 00
Mellenville	7 09	24 49			25 57	27 63	84 78
Philmont	243 17		48 44			123 55	415 16
West Copake				5 12			5 12
Hungarian, Hudson	28 78		2 00				30 78
Totals	728 21	48 73	107 18	6 32	35 41	523 32	1449 17
CLASSIS OF ILLINOIS							
Immanuel						7 00	7 00
Bethany	776 27	92 25	10 00			87 00	965 52
Fairview	122 87	29 84	15 00			1189 77	1357 48
Manito	10 00						10 00
No. Western		3 41				7 50	10 91
Penn. Lane	4 27						4 27
Raritan						20 00	20 00
Spring Lake	12 24					5 76	18 00
Summit	41 25	16 84		15 00		13 30	86 39
Trinity	172 56	2 50	19 19			22 50	216 75
Whiteside Co. Fest.	139 09						139 09
Nor. Park						11 50	11 50
Totals	1278 55	144 84	44 19	15 00		1364 33	2846 91
CLASSIS OF IOWA							
Alton	38 04	84 51	37 03			240 85	400 43
Archer	37 00		16 00			15 00	68 00
Leota	103 00		42 00			131 00	276 00
Bigelow	5 00						5 00
Boyd	94 55	100 49	38 30			177 24	410 58
Carmel	127 08	42 79	20 46			82 00	272 33
Chandler	45 00		25 00			37 06	107 06
Churchville	18 35					36 00	54 35
Clara City	32 45					41 44	73 89
Doon	15 27	24 05	7 66			30 00	76 98
Edgerton	118 10	24 53	15 00			46 07	203 70
Free Grace	90 00	50 00	20 00			102 00	262 00
Friesland							
Holland	828 39		107 61			971 37	1907 37
Hospers	212 92	150 00		50 00	15 00	116 00	393 92
Hull	309 39	153 10	44 97		10 00	457 20	974 66
Inwood	33 33					12 00	45 33
Ireton	11 00	12 00	6 04			18 50	47 54
Luctor	46 66	20 00	5 74			50 00	122 40
1st Maurice	150 53		41 59	75 00	14 90	243 00	525 02
Newkirk	386 96		157 42			326 65	871 03
First Orange City	520 78		68 94		30 00	691 90	1311 62
Pella	81 45		12 80			234 26	328 51
Prairie View	93 47	140 00	11 72			97 15	342 34

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	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF IOWA (Continued)							
Rock Valley	36 92	25 00	15 13	13 37	.....	140 00	230 42
Roseland	102 45	.....	11 14	.....	.....	60 49	174 08
Rotterdam	16 91	.....	6 34	.....	.....	33 00	56 25
Sandstone	11 00	.....	7 00	.....	.....	10 00	28 00
Sheldon	122 50	65 00	115 00	10 00	15 00	55 00	382 50
Sibley .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Silver Creek	65 25	50 93	.....	.....	.....	14 27	130 45
Sioux Center, First	712 25	178 35	144 53	.....	.....	1493 65	2690 45
Sioux Center, Central	131 62	.....	35 84	.....	15 00	468 10	624 72
Spring Creek .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 32	5 32
Steen	39 48	20 00	10 17	.....	.....	5 00	74 65
Twin Brooks	11 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11 00
Goodell Mission .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Volga	27 40	.....	5 00	.....	.....	19 34	51 74
Matlock	19 83	.....	8 69	.....	.....	.....	28 52
Wichita .....	.....	.....	8 27	.....	.....	.....	8 27
Fruitland Mesa	26 80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	26 80
Lester	20 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 95	31 45
Rock Rapids	18 01	.....	7 11	.....	.....	8 53	33 65
Mission Fest, Holland and Pella	73 25	.....	15 00	.....	.....	.....	88 25
Mission Fest, Edgerton, Leota and Chandler	59 58	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	59 58
Mission Fest, Hull and Or- ange City	1101 74	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1101 74
Sanborn	82 81	23 00	14 21	10 00	.....	9 00	139 02
Sioux City	19 86	5 08	.....	.....	.....	5 05	29 99
Alvord	8 50	.....	3 00	.....	.....	.....	11 50
Valley Springs	37 90	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	37 90
Britt .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13 97	13 97
Totals	6154 28	1168 83	1084 71	158 37	99 90	6508 36	15074 45
CLASSIS OF KINGSTON							
Bloomingsdale	54 58	.....	.....	.....	7 86	28 48	90 92
Clove	13 97	25 00	4 65	.....	.....	84 60	128 82
Gardner	13 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	27 60	40 60
Guilford .....	.....	1 50	.....	.....	.....	6 50	8 00
Hurley	40 00	17 50	2 25	.....	6 00	45 31	111 06
Fair Street	199 77	.....	.....	.....	5 00	93 00	297 77
Lyonsville	2 00	.....	3 00	.....	.....	1 00	6 00
Krumville	5 00	1 46	3 00	5 00	10 00	38 13	62 59
Libertyville .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Marbletown	14 28	.....	4 74	.....	.....	32 00	51 02
North Marbletown	10 58	.....	1 25	.....	.....	.....	11 83
New Paltz	36 16	.....	.....	.....	.....	85 68	121 84
Rochester	10 03	.....	2 50	.....	.....	10 00	22 53
Rosendale	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	9 00	14 00
Rosendale Plains
St. Remy	11 50	11 50
Mt. Marion
Totals	404 37	45 46	21 39	5 00	28 86	472 80	977 88

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	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF NORTH LONG ISLAND							
Jamaica	304 75	36 57	65 87			245 81	653 00
Newtown	25 00	12 00	25 00			37 50	99 50
Oyster Bay	35 00		7 50			20 00	62 50
North Hempstead	50 00		20 00			30 00	100 00
Williamsburgh	77 60					6 00	83 60
Astoria	31 00	7 00			1 53		39 53
Flushing	400 00		100 00			121 60	621 60
Kent Street	13 41		5 00			27 00	45 41
South Bushwick	25 00					105 00	130 00
Second Astoria		20 00				38 00	58 00
Queens	11 18		23 89			199 34	234 41
German Evan., Brooklyn.....	10 18	15 00		3 00		5 00	33 00
Sayville	11 21	7 48				15 00	33 69
Locust Valley	10 00						10 00
College Point	126 44	19 00	51 87	10 00		10 50	217 81
First Long Island City	10 00	27 18		4 92		108 50	150 60
German, Jamaica	10 00						10 00
Hicksville							
German, Newton	5 00						5 00
Steinway			19 98				19 98
Church of Jesus	40 00		10 98				50 00
New Hyde Park	41 95		6 85			18 10	66 90
Sunnyside	1 00		1 00				2 00
Winfield	25 00	4 00			2 00	15 00	46 00
Far Rockaway	20 00		5 00				25 00
Hollis						25 00	25 00
Totals	1283 54	148 23	341 96	17 92	3 53	1027 35	2822 53
CLASSIS OF SOUTH LONG ISLAND							
First Brooklyn.....	466 60	100 00				662 00	1228 60
First Flatbush	124 00		63 83			1190 79	1378 62
Grace	84 47			12 00		128 50	224 97
New Utrecht	105 80	140 63	20 00			121 00	387 43
Gravesend	27 50	72 79	7 16			162 00	269 45
Flatlands	19 90	40 00	11 25			224 58	295 73
New Lots						15 00	15 00
Forest Park	50 00	5 13				43 61	98 74
Ridgewood	20 00					3 00	23 00
South Brooklyn	100 00	50 00	50 00			230 00	430 00
Twelfth Street	53 42		26 96			25 00	105 38
Bethany	17 80	10 00	2 96	5 00		25 00	60 76
Heights	169 95		25 20			387 00	582 15
New Brooklyn	20 00		5 00				25 00
Second Flatbush	5 00		5 00				10 00
Canarsie	10 00		50 00				60 00
Ocean Hill	19 90	22 56	9 95				52 41
Edgewood	60 88		5 70			42 91	109 49
Greenwood Heights	15 00		10 00			27 00	52 00
Bay Ridge	69 68	10 00				71 50	151 18
Woodlawn	25 00	10 00				73 25	108 25

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	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF SOUTH LONG ISLAND (Continued)							
Cl. Conference	25 00						25 00
Gravesend Neck		8 75					8 75
Flatlands Neck	26 70	28 20					54 90
Little Neck						37 50	37 50
Totals	1516 60	498 06	293 01	17 00		3469 64	5794 31
CLASSIS OF MICHIGAN							
Grand Rapids, Trinity.....	30 00	48 25	15 00			34 25	127 50
Hamilton, Amer.....	31 84	30 00	28 00			8 85	98 69
Grand Rapids, Bethany.....	298 95		25 00	40 00		212 77	576 72
Grand Rapids, Bethel.....	38 87	20 00	38 76			11 36	108 99
Bethany, Kalamazoo.....	100 00	41 13				105 60	246 73
Grand Rapids, Grace.....	121 43	45 00			5 00	95 30	266 73
Grand Haven, Second.....		52 50	10 00				62 50
Grand Rapids, First.....	216 62	47 04	42 24		10 90	78 87	395 67
Grand Rapids, Second.....	526 71	25 00	160 43			571 00	1283 14
Mission Fest, Kalamazoo.....	60 00						60 00
Holland, Hope.....	179 22	126 45	24 43			250 06	580 16
Grand Rapids, Immanuel.....	93 69	41 22				94 85	229 76
Kalamazoo, Second.....	65 00		200 00			75 50	340 50
Muskegon, Second.....	49 04		6 78	19 01		107 17	182 30
Kalamazoo, North Park.....	23 00	109 00	25 03			13 00	170 03
Holland, Trinity.....	116 49		21 15		10 25	26 52	174 41
Grand Rapids, Calvary.....	42 73	20 00	24 00		5 25		91 73
Fruitport Mission Fest.....	50 00						50 00
Totals	2043 59	605 59	620 82	59 01	31 15	1685 40	5045 56
CLASSIS OF MONMOUTH							
Freehold, First	23 05	10 00	13 64		2 50	34 30	83 49
Holmdel	37 27	8 00	7 08			18 00	70 35
Middletown	16 67		5 03			43 51	65 21
Freehold, Second	169 82	23 11	9 30			130 00	332 23
Keyport	23 00		10 00			29 00	62 00
Long Branch	17 86	6 96				10 86	35 68
Colts Neck	36 00		9 00			26 09	71 09
Asbury Park	20 90	4 75	16 24			44 75	86 64
Red Bank	8 00		8 00			50 00	66 00
Totals	352 57	52 82	78 29		2 50	386 51	872 69
CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY							
Amsterdam, First	28 84	25 16	9 77		7 97	58 65	130 39
Amsterdam, Trinity	69 07		17 42			129 00	215 49
Auriesville							
Canajoharie	22 92	8 00	4 69		6 86	45 00	87 47
Cicero	25 50	25 50					51 00
Columbia	5 00						5 00
Cortland							
Cranesville	4 92						4 92

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	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY (Continued)							
Currytown	10 00		2 00			39 75	51 75
Ephratah	11 50						11 50
Florida	15 00					24 00	39 00
Fonda	42 09		11 10			70 00	123 19
Fort Herkimer							
Fort Plain	48 69					86 00	134 69
Fultonville		42 00	8 00			25 90	75 90
Glen	5 00	69				20 69	26 38
Hagaman	65 35	19 58	31 12			58 70	174 75
Herkimer	126 91	15 63	20 57			204 17	367 28
Interlaken	64 99		7 85			70 31	143 15
Johnstown	16 35	8 28	11 00			34 50	70 13
Lodi	50 00	10 33	10 00			79 30	149 63
Manheim	2 00						2 00
Mapletown							
Mohawk						5 50	5 50
Naumburg	10 00						10 00
Owasco	9 86		4 32			25 00	39 18
Owasco Outlet							
St. Johnsville	54 35		5 00			75 50	134 85
Sprakers	13 87	3 15	93			9 00	26 95
Stone Arabia	15 00					75 00	90 00
Syracuse, First	82 50	10 00	27 50				120 00
Syracuse, Second	20 00	10 00	5 00			20 00	55 00
Sammonsville	6 43					22 30	28 73
Thousand Isles	5 00	2 50			5 00	54 00	66 50
Utica	84 76		13 55			24 25	122 56
West Leyden					1 50		1 50
Totals	915 90	180 82	189 82		21 33	1256 52	2564 39
CLASSIS OF NEWARK							
Belleville	61 62	25 69	20 22			28 58	136 11
Newark, First	100 00					115 00	215 00
Irrington						25 00	25 00
N. Y. Avenue		27 94			1 00	74 08	103 02
Nutley	17 29		4 48			17 88	39 65
North Newark	638 02	108 50	209 34			1420 90	2376 76
West Newark	14 00	6 00					20 00
Clinton Avenue	97 50					832 68	930 18
Trinity, Newark	8 27	11 20	3 40		4 01	38 83	65 71
Linden	25 00	18 44	2 50			17 27	63 21
Christ Church			25 73			10 00	35 73
Brookdale	15 32				4 00	5 00	24 32
Orange, First	92 78		22 31			377 52	492 61
Plainfield, Trinity	170 00	25 01	68 00	10 00		238 81	511 82
Plainfield, German	15 00		5 00				20 00
Montclair	139 00		6 00			115 85	260 85
Hyde Park	64 22		12 05			178 50	254 77
Netherwood	12 97		8 42				21 39
Marconnier	5 00						5 00
German, Newark	14 00	6 00					20 00
Totals	1489 99	228 78	387 45	10 00	9 01	3495 90	5621 13

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	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF NEW BRUNSWICK							
New Brunswick, First.....	148 00	75 00	128 00	.....	11 00	265 22	627 22
Franklin Park	76 26	5 00	9 60	8 64	.....	173 76	273 26
Hillsborough	38 75	12 27	31 44	.....	.....	125 35	207 81
Middlebush	71 13	12 19	.....	.....	20 00	88 00	191 32
Griggstown	33 41	3 42	.....	.....	.....	59 95	96 78
New Brunswick, Second.....	400 00	50 59	30 00	.....	.....	178 00	658 59
Bound Brook	67 45	.....	7 81	.....	.....	35 00	110 26
East Millstone	13 14	.....	5 80	.....	.....	47 00	65 94
Metuchen	223 54	19 14	30 56	.....	.....	41 47	314 71
Suydam Street	225 70	.....	80 11	.....	.....	187 00	442 81
Highland Park	26 70	.....	.....	.....	.....	53 11	79 81
Rocky Hill	33 86	10 00	.....	.....	.....	44 00	87 86
Spotswood	25 00	4 61	7 75	.....	.....	24 50	61 86
Perth Amboy	20 00	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	22 00
East Somerville	78 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	78 00
Totals	1480 94	192 22	333 07	8 64	31 00	1322 36	3368 23
CLASSIS OF NEW YORK							
Collegiate	6828 76	52 00	562 18	.....	25 00	7795 79	15263 73
Port Washington .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	176 50	176 50
34th Street, N. Y.	60 00	50 00	25 00	.....	.....	90 00	225 00
Knox Memorial	292 46	39 86	26 00	.....	.....	32 07	390 39
Vermilye .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30 00	30 00
Sunshine .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	2 00
Harlem	168 97	35 00	60 81	.....	.....	1517 00	1782 78
Elmendorf	112 93	.....	17 50	.....	.....	126 00	256 43
Port Richmond	82 90	35 00	32 99	.....	.....	181 40	332 29
Fordham	33 00	.....	17 00	.....	.....	60 00	110 00
68th Street, N. Y.	35 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	35 00
Manor	14 47	10 00	.....	10 00	7 80	25 00	67 27
Brighton	170 00	81 85	35 00	10 63	.....	79 50	376 98
Zion	60 00	.....	15 00	.....	.....	5 00	80 00
West Farms	12 45	4 60	.....	.....	.....	17 05	17 05
Huguenot Park	10 00	.....	2 50	.....	.....	19 65	31 15
Mott Haven	45 09	.....	34 16	.....	9 00	13 00	101 25
Melrose	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	10 00
Fourth German .....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00
Union H'bridge	70 78	25 00	7 59	.....	10 00	91 18	204 55
Avenue B	50 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50 00
St. Peter's .....	.....	.....	.....	20 00	.....	.....	20 00
Grace	80 00	50 00	.....	.....	.....	75 00	205 00
Hamilton	73 25	.....	11 20	.....	.....	182 61	267 07
And. Memorial	20 96	3 53	.....	.....	.....	9 00	33 49
Comforter	50 06	.....	10 02	.....	.....	.....	60 08
Bethany	75 00	30 82	10 00	.....	.....	69 60	185 42
Mariners Harbor	10 00	25 92	2 17	5 00	.....	.....	43 09
Vermilye .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Columbian Memorial .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	58 00	58 00
Mescalero	171 23	171 23
White Tail Canyon Chapel.....	39 20	39 20
Winnebago	18 95	18 95

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	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF NEW YORK (Continued)							
Apache							
McKee						10 00	10 00
Annville						8 06	8 06
Gray Hawk						1 42	1 42
Totals	8361 08	453 58	874 12	45 63	51 80	10887 17	20673 38
CLASSIS OF ORANGE							
Bloomingsburg						15 60	15 60
Callicoon	18 50						18 50
Claraville							
Cuddebackville							
Deer Park	110 00	50 00	18 55			40 00	218 55
Ellenville	98 17		19 83			46 50	164 50
Fallsburgh	4 93		3 29			10 00	18 22
Grahamsville	20 00						20 00
Kerhonkson	1 67						1 67
Mamakating	30 00						30 00
Minisink							
Montgomery	42 00		10 50				52 50
Newburgh	72 00	23 96	5 00			25 00	125 96
New Hurley	20 00	11 81	5 00			75 13	111 94
New Prospect		6 87	12 01			15 00	33 88
Second Port Jervis	15 00					84 50	99 50
Shawangunk	36 69	5 00				147 14	188 83
Unionville	3 50				2 00		5 50
Walden	39 30		8 84			60 00	108 14
Wallkill	68 08	10 00	18 15			52 15	148 38
Lower Walpack		6 52					6 52
Upper Walpack							
Wawarsing	5 00					6 00	11 00
Totals	584 84	114 16	101 17		2 00	577 02	1379 19
CLASSIS OF PALISADES							
North Bergen						101 00	101 00
New Durham	300 00	100 00	50 00			171 90	621 90
First Hoboken	20 00						20 00
German, Hoboken	31 38	45 00				40 00	116 38
Coytesville	5 63		3 74			52 56	61 93
Guttenberg						13 10	13 10
Central Avenue, Jersey City ..	58 36	28 00	19 45			35 00	140 81
Secaucus		8 00			4 50	2 50	15 00
First, West Hoboken	50 00		10 00			177 00	237 00
West New York	15 80		10 00			100 00	125 80
Woodcliff	85 38		28 46			36 92	150 76
Weehawken, Italian	20 00						20 00
Totals	586 55	181 00	121 65		4 50	729 98	1623 68

CLASSES AND CHURCHES.	Missionary Fund.		Church Bldg. Fund.		From Y. P. Societies.	For W. B. D. M.	Totals.
	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF PARAMUS							
Acquaackanonk	642 72	100 00	237 11			659 98	1639 81
Centerville	38 20		6 64		3 55	46 77	95 16
Clarkstown		22 81					22 81
Clifton	152 29		25 38			169 95	347 62
Clifton, Holland	17 47	20 00	10 00			5 00	52 47
Garfield	25 54	5 00		5 00			35 54
Glen Rock	5 00	21 07					26 07
Hawthorne	40 00	12 76	4 00				56 76
Upper Ridgewood	44 92		3 00			20 00	67 92
Hobokus	28 50		2 00				30 50
First Lodi			10 00			23 25	33 25
Second Lodi	24 30						24 30
North Paterson	14 30	3 00					17 30
Paramus	105 18	43 42	10 00	30 38	11 06	304 02	504 06
Pascack	70 09		10 00		1 73	76 25	158 07
First Holland, Passaic	45 00	125 00	20 00	10 00		105 00	305 00
North Passaic	187 02		39 22			79 01	305 25
Broadway, Paterson	71 38	33 00	11 89			60 00	176 27
First Holland, Paterson	49 50						49 50
Second, Paterson	43 80	45 00	30 00	15 00		62 75	196 55
Piermont	16 30					52 00	68 30
Ramapo						53 07	53 07
Ridgewood	92 39		60 87		10 00	701 43	864 69
Saddle River	9 61	3 00				5 00	17 61
Spring Valley	57 16	52 00	1 36			65 25	175 77
Tappan	25 00					95 12	120 12
Waldwick						7 92	7 92
Warwick	256 25	70 57	46 05			115 80	488 67
W. N. Hempstead	11 10					5 00	16 10
First, Wortendyke	21 78		11 39				33 17
Trinity, Wortendyke		10 00				11 00	21 00
Covenant	34 20		7 45			2 50	44 15
Nyack	77 71		35 06			350 30	463 07
Totals	2206 71	566 63	581 42	60 38	26 34	3076 37	6517 85
CLASSIS OF PASSAIC							
Boonton	28 85	7 50				46 00	82 35
Fairfield	3 55						3 55
First, Little Falls	116 95	39 58	38 90			56 86	252 29
Second, Little Falls	42 25		10 00			15 50	67 75
Montville	21 00					30 00	51 00
Mountain Lakes	50 00		20 00			15 00	85 00
People's Park	26 04		26 09				52 13
Pompton	30 56		7 00		5 00	73 47	116 03
Pompton Plains	111 00	28 94				161 75	301 69
Ponds	5 14					5 00	10 14
Preakness	5 01					12 82	17 83
Riverside	22 70	13 01	14 37	13 00		15 65	78 73
Sixth Holland, Paterson	100 00		207 27				307 27
Totowa						25 00	25 00
Union		85 00	10 00				95 00
Wanaque	15 60					3 20	18 80
Wyckoff	28 50	20 00				18 20	66 70
Lake View	8 41						8 41
Totals	615 56	194 03	333 63	13 00	5 00	478 45	1639 67

CLASSES AND CHURCHES.	Missionary Fund.		Church Bldg. Fund.		From Y. P. Societies.	For W. B. D. M.	Totals.
	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF PELLA							
Pleasant Grove						25 00	25 00
East Prairie						75 00	75 00
Bethany	12 61	37 61	12 21			123 72	186 15
Bethel	18 56	38 94				87 30	144 80
Leighton	138 90	47 95	14 45			239 25	440 55
Eddyville	9 25					18 50	27 75
Galesburg	26 49					20 00	46 49
Killduff	24 37	6 00				17 03	47 40
Muscatine	51 61		3 81			15 00	70 42
New Sharon	20 00		10 00			32 59	62 59
Oskaloosa	10 80		5 99			5 79	22 58
Prairie City	10 18	19 21	6 15			53 62	89 16
Otley	195 38	43 64	23 00			352 50	614 52
First, Pella	485 87	81 43	150 00	50 00		697 50	1464 80
Second, Pella	375 00		25 00			508 37	908 37
Third, Pella		150 00	37 99	25 00		403 00	615 99
Sully	15 00					65 84	80 84
Albia	36 50						36 50
Mission Fest.....	307 35						307 35
Totals	1737 87	424 78	288 60	75 00		2740 01	5266 26
CLASSIS OF PHILADELPHIA							
North and Southampton.....	79 71	30 15				10 00	119 86
Harlingen	95 79		21 15			110 10	227 40
Neshanic	105 29	18 39	17 55			70 50	211 82
First, Philadelphia	30 13		24 98		2	11 50	68 61
Second, Philadelphia							
Fourth, Philadelphia	127 06					129 48	256 54
Blawenburgh	38 70		12 90			51 62	103 22
Stanton	5 00	2 00			7 50	25 20	39 70
Clover Hill	14 63					22 25	36 88
Fifth, Philadelphia	15 00		15 00			1 00	31 00
Addisville	43 50	24 40	14 50		2 50	28 00	112 90
Three Bridges	30 65		1 62		12 50	5 00	49 77
Tal. Memorial	74 35		20 00			9 00	103 35
Totals	659 81	74 94	128 06		24 50	473 74	1361 05
CLASSIS OF PLEASANT PRAIRIE							
Kesley						6 71	6 71
Alexander	63 00		10 00			160 30	233 30
Aplington	300 58		60 45			52 62	413 65
Baileyville	59 90					77 00	136 90
Bristow	45 00	5 98	5 00	5 00		78 19	139 08
Buffalo Center	126 46		30 00			207 50	363 96
Dumont	58 00		8 37			25 39	91 76
Oregon	140 00		10 00				150 00
Elim	35 00	5 00	9 00		5 00	10 00	64 00
Dempster	37 16	13 50	17 00	4 00			71 66
Fairview	38 64		5 00			33 17	76 81
Forreston	160 00		40 00			85 00	285 00

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CLASSES AND CHURCHES.	Missionary Fund.		Church Bldg. Fund.		From Y. P. Societies.	For W. B. D. M.	Totals.
	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF PLEASANT PRAIRIE (Continued)							
Immanuel	100 00					103 75	203 75
First, Lenox							
Meservey	143 59	35 00				443 62	622 21
Monroe, Sandham						58 50	58 50
Parkersburg	70 70		26 00			33 25	129 05
Second, Pekin	40 00		10 00				50 00
Peoria	31 10	14 86	11 00		5 00	37 03	98 99
Ramsay	70 57		20 00			95 10	185 67
Silver Creek	311 00		60 00		13 00	162 49	546 49
Stout	267 11		34 00		13 25	304 27	618 63
Washington	55 00	9 50	12 50			96 00	173 00
Wellsburgh	100 00		20 00			531 00	651 00
Worthing							
Chapin, Zion	107 00		24 00			235 00	366 00
Jeffers	12 43						12 43
Britt	38 66						38 66
Totals	2410 90	83 75	412 32	9 00	36 25	2835 89	5798 11
CLASSIS OF POUGHKEEPSIE							
Poughkeepsie	301 21		72 82			637 45	1011 48
Fishkill	29 75		12 33			40 75	82 83
Hopewell	64 31					45 00	109 31
North Hackensack	15 95		10 18			27 18	53 31
Rhinebeck	25 00					95 00	120 00
Beacon	75 95	62 53	35 88			72 00	246 36
Hyde Park	7 50	5 65				10 00	23 15
Glenham							
Millbrook	25 00		11 90			94 30	131 20
Arlington	5 00						5 00
Upper Red Hook	62 65		5 87			62 90	131 42
Emanuel, Poughkeepsie							
Totals	612 32	68 18	148 98			1084 58	1914 06
CLASSIS OF RARITAN							
Raritan, First	381 72	86 91	11 59		10 00	111 65	601 87
Raritan, Second						1126 51	1126 51
Raritan, Third	17 25	22 83	15 60			101 50	157 18
Raritan, Fourth	15 00		5 00			4 75	24 75
Bedminster	80 00	21 33	14 58	18 70		118 04	252 65
Lebanon	116 25	35 69	18 25			110 22	280 41
Annandale	9 19	5 64			2 50	3 00	20 33
High Bridge	10 92	36 82	13 00		10 00	38 32	109 06
Peapack	25 80	10 50	8 60	3 50	12 50	13 00	73 90
North Branch	56 25		5 03	6 65		147 47	215 40
South Branch	47 34	14 70	4 93	5 26		36 80	109 03
Pottersville	8 00	5 22				35 40	48 62
New Center						17 30	17 30
Readington	33 96	35 41	7 50		5 00	39 50	121 37
Rockaway	5 00	15 00				44 70	64 70
Finderne	35 00						35 00
Totals	841 68	290 05	104 08	34 11	40 00	1948 16	3258 00

CLASSES AND CHURCHES.	Missionary Fund.		Church Bldg. Fund.		From Y. P. Societies.	For W. B. D. M.	Totals.
	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER							
Bloominggrove	10 00	16 05	7 00			17 63	50 68
Castleton	78 43		5 00			60 25	143 68
Chatham	68 00	5 00	25 00			82 60	180 60
First, Ghent	2 88	8 25	3 33			46 81	61 27
Second, Ghent	34 00	14 27				50 15	98 42
Greenbush	32 50	10 00	5 00		7 50	65 00	120 00
Kinderhook	186 15		15 94			187 75	389 84
Nassau	33 60	4 50	11 00	3 00	5 00	71 51	128 61
New Concord	2 56		1 00			1 00	4 56
First, Rensselaer	15 00		1 00			20 00	36 00
Schodack	9 91	5 00				48 00	62 91
Schodack Landing						10 00	10 00
Stuyvesant	12 61					2 48	15 09
Stuyvesant Falls	5 94		3 94				9 88
Totals	491 58	63 07	78 21	3 00	12 50	663 18	1311 54
CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER							
Abbe	60 75	80 00	8 56			18 33	167 64
Arcadia	27 43		11 25			20 00	58 68
Brighton	33 55	43 00	29 32			41 00	146 87
Buffalo	200 00						200 00
Clymerhill	68 77	16 40	7 00			53 00	145 17
Cutting							
East Williamson	42 00	44 60	20 87			104 08	211 55
First, Marion	5 00	19 22				21 43	45 65
Second, Marion	75 20	20 00	29 37			88 93	213 50
Ontario	15 76	33 17			1 00	25 24	75 17
Palmyra	90 00					25 00	115 00
Pultneyville	27 85	60 47	30 65			35 00	153 97
First, Rochester	77 00				20 00	31 50	128 50
Second, Rochester	106 30	23 94	106 30			28 00	264 54
Sodus		8 18	5 67			15 87	29 72
Tyre		38 02					38 02
Williamson	26 20	22 64				22 80	71 64
Mission Fest.	150 00						150 00
Mission Fest.							
Abbe and Clymerhill	40 68						40 68
Classis	2 00						2 00
Totals	1048 49	409 64	248 99		21 00	530 18	2258 30
CLASSIS OF SARATOGA							
Boght		5 00					5 00
Buskirks	25 00		6 65			23 37	55 02
Cohoes	77 00	31 46	16 00			61 19	185 65
Easton							
Fort Miller	5 00	5 00				3 80	13 80
Gansevoort	4 56		1 77			17 50	23 83
Greenwich	124 40		38 13			23 07	185 60
Northumberland	2 23		4 61			34 65	41 49
Saratoga	19 45	15 00	3 10	10 00		41 00	88 55
Old Schaghticoke						14 00	14 00

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CLASSES AND CHURCHES.	Missionary Fund.		Church Bldg. Fund.		From Y. P. Societies.	For W. B. D. M.	Totals.
	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF SARATOGA (Continued)							
West Troy No.....	20 40		6 85			106 00	133 25
Wynantskill						29 50	29 50
Bacon Hill	3 45						3 45
Totals	281 49	56 46	77 11	10 00		354 08	779 14
CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY							
Altamont	20 53					71 00	91 53
Amity	10 00					11 00	21 00
Glenville	7 50		5 00			31 46	43 96
Helderberg	18 50		12 61			37 39	68 50
Lishas Kill.....	10 75	9 10				54 50	74 35
Niskayuna	65 00		10 00		7 50	72 37	154 87
Princeton						60 09	60 09
First, Rotterdam	34 25					79 20	113 44
Second, Rotterdam	19 36					30 32	49 68
First, Schenectady	62 58	12 50				99 30	174 38
Second, Schenectady	200 00	36 55	25 00		3 31	90 00	355 66
Mt. Pleasant	20 00		3 00		5 50	95 00	123 50
Bellevue	60 00	42 80	20 00			202 93	325 73
Scotia	99 00	15 38	10 00			84 79	209 17
Woodlawn	18 22	2 50				16 45	37 17
Totals	645 68	118 83	85 61		16 31	1036 60	1903 03
CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE							
Beaverdam						24 00	24 00
Berne	19 32					41 00	60 32
Central Bridge							
Cobleskill	25 67		8 56			45	34 68
Gilboa							
Grand Gorge	16 59	3 00					19 59
First, Howes Cave.....	26 34		5 45			7 11	38 90
Second, Howes Cave.....	22 00	2 00	5 00			5 00	34 00
Lawyersville	22 50	5 20				40 00	67 70
Middleburg	30 20		6 18		5 00	24 75	66 13
North Blenheim						5 00	5 00
Prattsville							
Schoharie	32 50		6 50			17 00	56 00
Sharon	10 00					33 50	43 50
South Gilboa	10 05						10 05
Sharon Center							
Totals	215 17	10 20	31 69		5 00	197 81	459 87
CLASSIS OF ULSTER							
Blue Mountain						31 00	31 00
Comforter	14 06	30 00	15 26		5 00	18 70	83 02
Esopus	5 00					20 00	25 00

CLASSES AND CHURCHES.	Missionary Fund.		Church Bldg. Fund.		From Y. P. Societies.	For W. B. D. M.	Totals.
	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF ULSTER (Continued)							
Flatbush	3 67					15 61	19 28
Highwoods	10 07		4 00				14 07
Roxbury	12 03					10 00	22 03
Katsbaan	10 00					10 00	20 00
First, Kingston	276 45	50 00	15 00			318 38	659 83
Port Ewen	11 47	13 48	11 60		2 63	18 25	57 43
Plattekill	17 36	4 00	6 56				27 92
Saugerties	70 00	10 00	14 00			42 00	136 00
Shandakan	2 70						2 70
Shokan			1 68				1 68
West Hurley	2 67						2 67
Woodstock	5 89					29 00	34 89
Totals	441 37	107 48	68 10		7 63	512 94	1137 52
CLASSIS OF WESTCHESTER							
Bronxville	150 00		25 00	26 69		305 47	507 16
Cortlandtown	30 00		25 00			30 22	85 22
Crescent Place	10 00		5 00				15 00
Greensburgh	130 00		10 00			25 00	165 00
Greenville	14 83		5 35			27 00	47 18
Hastings	13 00						13 00
Mt. Vernon	106 13	30 00	35 78			92 00	263 91
Mile Square	40 00				5 00	7 00	52 00
Park Hill	320 00	13 39	51 20		1 85	129 00	515 44
Peekskill	16 00		4 45			10 00	30 45
Scarsdale	5 25						5 25
First, Tarrytown	163 80	33 87	37 80			194 46	429 93
Second, Tarrytown	75 06	8 97	26 02			53 60	163 65
Unionville	10 00	3 70	2 00			17 00	32 70
First, Yonkers	77 50					78 00	155 50
Hungarian	10 00						10 00
Peekskill							
Totals	1171 57	89 93	227 60	26 69	6 85	968 75	2491 39
CLASSIS OF WISCONSIN							
Alto	233 57	112 54	54 46		85 12	660 13	1145 82
Baldwin	83 92	15 43	21 00			83 15	203 50
Cedar Grove	306 23					91 97	398 20
First, Chicago	167 19	100 00	25 88	45 00	10 00	147 79	495 86
West Side	64 26	69 66				44 00	177 92
Danforth	14 48		5 86			22 75	43 09
De Motte	33 00		12 35			20 00	65 35
Morrison	107 50		39 80			65 15	212 45
First, Englewood	77 46	252 68	22 07				352 21
Second, Englewood	47 27	77 89	10 00			83 95	219 11
Forestville	16 00		1 73			6 67	24 40
Franklin							

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CLASSES AND CHURCHES.	Missionary Fund.		Church Bldg. Fund.		From Y. P. Societies.	For W. B. D. M.	Totals.
	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF WISCONSIN (Continued)							
Fulton	230 16	47 92	18 50			21 96	318 54
Gano	30 00	20 00	10 00		2 00	19 00	81 00
Gibbsville	72 47	30 27	27 64		10 00	120 66	261 04
Greenleafston	170 67	61 36	28 33		7 50	64 17	332 03
Hingham	41 25	30 00	14 00			98 75	184 00
Indianapolis			2 00			3 75	5 75
Lafayette	31 83	4 75	9 70		2 86	5 00	54 14
Lansing	140 00	60 00	35 00			83 00	318 00
Milwaukee	66 16		35 00			136 50	211 91
Mt. Greenwood	21 50		10 00			10 00	41 50
Newton	35 14	16 93	3 00			45 68	100 75
Oostburg	27 78	18 76	12 23			76 55	135 32
Friesland	102 00		20 00			12 00	134 00
Randolph	34 37						34 37
First, Roseland	240 00	283 36	80 48			69 90	673 74
Sheboygan	48 00	32 00	10 00		7 80	10 00	107 80
Sheboygan Falls	14 93		9 02			26 61	50 56
South Holland	405 24	127 23	10 00		30 00	101 00	673 47
Ustick	7 94		6 20			20 00	34 14
Waupun	82 10	183 20	9 23			93 00	367 53
Wichert	50 00		11 76			24 00	85 76
Emanuel	65 00	20 00	40 00				125 00
Second, Fulton	81 45	48 92	15 65				146 02
Mission Field Day	100 00						100 00
Sheboygan Co. Fest.	78 83						78 83
Chicago Mission Com.	25 00						25 00
Totals	3352 70	1612 90	585 14	45 00	155 28	2267 00	8018 11

The Eighty-fifth Annual Report
of the
Board of Education
of the Reformed Church in America
to the
GENERAL SYNOD
at
ASBURY PARK, N. J., MAY 31, 1917

The Board of Education herewith presents its Eighty-fifth Annual Report, for the year ending April 30th, 1917.

THE BOARD.

There have been no changes in the *personnel* of the Board during the year. Soon after the adjournment of the General Synod of 1916, the Corresponding Secretary, Dr. Gebhard, made a tour in Michigan and Iowa, addressing churches and conferences in the interests of the Board. Immediately upon his return he was stricken with typhoid fever. After spending three weeks in a hospital at Mount Vernon, N. Y., and a subsequent period of rest, a very serious affection of the eyes developed, which made it impossible for him to attend to the duties of the office. Leave of absence was granted him until April 30th. The Board now rejoices greatly in the marked improvement which has come during these months. Although there has not been complete restoration of eyesight, Dr. Gebhard has been able, with proper assistance to resume the work which he has so faithfully and successfully carried on these many years. We pray for his complete recovery.

The office work has been carried on, in the absence of the Corresponding Secretary by the Treasurer, Mr. John F. Berry, who has had entire charge of the accounts, and the President, Rev. Elias W. Thompson, D. D., who has attended to the correspondence, and such field work as his pastorate would allow.

STUDENTS.

Since May 1, 1916, 114 students have been under the care of the Board, 25 of the number being new applicants. Nine were graduated from the New Brunswick Seminary last May, and nine from the Western Seminary. Six were taken from the roll, one being a medical missionary student who took to himself a wife, and therefore could not come longer to our funds for aid; another, also a medical missionary student, had changed his plans; while four failed to meet reasonable requirements in their work.

The Board is now aiding three medical missionary students, and has five applications for such aid pending. The Synod requires that a student, in order to receive such aid, from the funds of the Board of Education, must first satisfy the requirements of the Board of Foreign Missions. This necessitates more time for investigating an application from a medical missionary student than is needed in the case of a student for the ministry, who must meet only the requirements of the Board of Education, and as the number of men who can be commissioned by the Board of Foreign Missions is limited to a very few in any one year, pastors and classes are requested to inform young men who expect to be accepted and to receive financial aid as soon as they have filed their applications with the Board of Education for such assistance, of the actual situation. A joint committee of the two Boards concerned will probably make public a definite statement on this matter in a short time.

STUDENTS.

The total number of students receiving aid May 1, 1917, was the same as on the same date a year ago, 89, distributed as follows:

In the Theological Seminary, New Brunswick, N. J....	23
Theological Seminary, Holland, Mich.....	16
Rutgers College, New Brunswick, N. J.....	11
Hope College, Holland, Mich.....	33
Central College, Pella, Ia.....	2
Rutgers College Preparatory School	1
Italian School, Brooklyn, N. Y.....	1
Michigan University, Ann Harbor, Mich.....	1
Chicago University	1
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The following is the distribution according to classes:

In Theological Seminaries:

Post Graduate	1
Seniors	13
Middlers	13
Juniors	12
	— 39

In Colleges:

Seniors	12
Juniors	14
Sophomores	4
Freshmen	17
Special	2
Preparatory	1
	— 50
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VAN SCHAICK POST-GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP.

Owing to conditions which have developed during the war and the consequent demand for Christian workers no appointment will be made. New rules governing this Scholarship will go into effect after Jan. 1st, 1918.

CENTRAL COLLEGE, PELLA, IOWA.

In accordance with the instructions of the Synod of 1916 the Board has endeavored to work out a plan for the government of this College. It selected the following Committee which has had the matter in charge: Rev. J. W. Beardslee, D. D., Rev. William H. S. Demarest, D. D., Rev. John G. Gebhard, D.D., Rev. Elias W. Thompson, D. D., Frederic R. Hutton, Sc. D., and James L. Griggs, Esq. The Committee chose as its Chairman, Rev. E. W. Thomson, D. D.

After conferences in New York and Pella, and correspondence so far as necessary, the Board's Committee prepared the following report, which was adopted.

"The Committee of the Board of Education appointed to consider and report in relation to Central College at Pella, Iowa, presents the following facts as their report:

1. The General Synod in June, 1916, accepted the tender of the Board of Trustees of Central University and its agreement to conduct the government and control of the said college during the ensuing year. (Minutes of Synod, 1917, p. 765). The Board of Trustees as constituted by their own action has been in such responsible government and control during the year.

2. As a condition precedent to accepting Central college as a college of the Reformed Church in America, the resolution of Synod (Minutes, p. 765) "deemed that an endowment of \$200,000, was essential to the permanent efficiency of the college in accordance with the requirements of the Educational Board of Examiners of the State of Iowa. The Board of Education has no knowledge that this endowment has been secured and therefore at this time can make only a report of progress in this regard.

3. The Board of Education was instructed to work out a plan of government for Central College and report the same to the General Synod of 1917 for its consideration and approval. As to the plan of government we are unable to

make definite recommendations, but we recommend that the Board of Trustees constituted by its action of June 6, 1916, be the agency of the Reformed Church in America, for the government of Central College for another year.

Your committee wishes to express its sincere sympathy with the college in the recent loss of its Library and Auditorium by fire, and regrets that this has in a measure prevented the timely securing of such information as was necessary to make its report at this time more definite."

THE COUNCIL OF CHURCH BOARDS OF EDUCATION.

This council has been studying interdenominational plans and policies of education for several years. The matter of moral and religious training in the public schools, the questions and problems of Christian education for young people, the development of the Christian college, and the religious culture of its students, the co-ordination of existing institutions and the founding of new schools and colleges, the prevention of over-lapping in the fields of the different denominations, while other fields are neglected, and the general survey of the entire field of Christian education now under the control of the various Boards, are some of the lines of service now engaging the attention of the various Boards.

More than a score of Church Boards of Education are now members of this Council. Besides this College Boards, the Association of American Colleges, the National and International Y. M., and Y. W. C. A.'s, are co-operating heartily. There have been several conferences of the leaders in all these branches of Christian education during the year. All are convinced of the importance of the work, and there is no sign of a diminution of enthusiasm or change of purpose. Dr. R. L. Kelly President of Earlham College, has resigned his position in order to accept the Permanent Secretaryship of the Council. After he takes charge of the office in Chicago on September 1st, further plans will be developed and announced. Your Board appointed Dr. Ame Vennema of

Hope College, Dr. J. G. Gebhard, and Dr. E. W. Thompson as a Committee on the General Survey plan recommended by the Council. As chairman of this Committee Dr. Thompson has attended conferences on the subject in various cities but permanent plans cannot be announced until the Chicago office begins operations. The General Synod of 1916, in line with the action of previous Synods, recommended our co-operation. There is every indication of progress and no reasons for discontinuing our interest have appeared.

THE WESTERN DISTRICT COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

The General Synod of 1916 also referred to this Board an overture from the Particular Synod of Chicago regarding a Committee to exercise supervisory and advisory control over our educational institutions. This matter was placed in the hands of the Committee on Survey mentioned above.

Correspondence and personal conferences with members of the Particular Synod of Chicago has brought out precisely the same conditions in our own denomination which prevail in other denominations, and which have been under discussion by the Council of Church Boards. Separate institutions, (parochial schools, academies and colleges) pursue their individual courses, without regard to each other and without having any definite denominational plan or policy. Existing institutions often suffer on this account, and where now institutions are needed, their founding is dependent upon local initiative. To quote the words of one of our own ministers who has the matter at heart, "There is no agency to study the field from the point of view of the whole, and to help each school to find its own sphere and program in relation to all the rest."

Since this subject is both denominational and interdenominational, and since the General Synod has already committed to the Board of Education much of the work in connection with the general Survey of our educational field, it is the opinion of the survey committee of this Board that the appointment of a district committee should await the fur-

ther investigation of conditions in our educational field, which investigation, now under way, will (it is hoped), give a clear and definite idea of precisely what is needed.

FINANCIAL.

Offerings have been received from 449 Congregations, 34 Sunday-schools, 4 Young People's Societies, 1 Catechetical Class, 1 Missionary Society, and one Mission Feast, and 18 Individuals. The total amount of these gifts was \$9,434.73,* being \$928.07 more than was received from similar sources last year.

A bequest of \$1,425.62 was received for the general purposes of the Board from the Estate of Mrs. Katherine S. Du Bois, and the Rev. John Nicholas Meury Fund was increased by gifts amounting to \$359.75, bringing the total of this fund up to \$1,032.10.

Repayments from former students have been unusually large, totaling \$2,004.09.

Disbursements to students have amounted to \$16,236.16.

The Board has appropriated during the year \$500.00 to the Western Seminary, \$3,500.00 to Hope College, the same amount to Central College, and \$3,900.00 among our three academies. Most cordial thanks are tendered to all who have co-operated in the good work.

A detailed statement of receipts and expenditures may be found in the treasurer's report which is appended and which forms a part of the Board's Annual Report to the General Synod.

NOMINATIONS.

With this meeting of the Synod, the terms of office of the following members will expire and their places are to be filled:—

*Note.—In addition to the amounts received by the Board from Churches in the Particular Synod of Chicago, contributions have been made during the year, principally by these Churches, of \$1,230.25 for the Classical Board of Benevolence, which assists students in Hope College; \$1,002.38 for the Classical Board of Education of the Northwest, which aids students in the Northwestern Classical Academy; and \$391.88 for the Classical Board of Benevolence of the Pleasant Prairie Academy, the total thus directly contributed for these purposes being \$2,624.51.

Rev. C. D. F. Steinfuhrer, D. D., Mr. Frederick J. Medway,
" Wm. H. S. Demarest, D. D., " John F. Berry,
" Albertus T. Broek, " Jeremiah R. Van Brunt,
" Orville E. Fisher, " J. Wilson Gordon.

PUBLICATIONS.

During the year the Board published an address by the Rev. Henry E. Cobb, D. D., on "The Rewards of the Ministry," and one by Frederic R. Hutton, M. E., Sc.D., one of its members, on "Some Rights of the Pew." Both of these addresses were delivered in connection with the closing exercises of the New Brunswick Seminary last May and were distributed among the pastors of all our churches and students for the ministry on the Day of Prayer for Colleges.

CONCLUSION.

War conditions have depleted the colleges and seminaries in many countries of their choicest young men. We face the same conditions in our own land. Already this Board has received a number of applications from its students for leave of absence, that they may respond to their country's call to war service. We commend all our students to the prayers of God's people. The young men of our nation stand in conspicuous need of wise counsels, experienced guidance, and warmest sympathy and encouragement.

The same infallible Lord who declared that in this sinful world wars must needs come to pass, also uttered the assurance of the inevitable triumph of His program as the Prince of Peace. After the war, there must be, by God's grace, a mighty period of world-wide reconstruction. "Preparedness" is the watchword of the Church to-day. Young men ready for college entrance are not old enough for military enlistment. They are just the right age to enter upon studies for Christian leadership, and in order that the Church may have a new and adequate supply of leaders ready for the colossal work of reconstruction which will be the certain task of the nations in the near future, for many years, it is her

privilege and duty to make the very most of her Christian schools and of her Christian young men and women, to-day.

With cordial thanks to all who have co-operated in our work during the past year, this report is respectfully submitted.

JOHN G. GEBHARD,

Corresponding Secretary.

Approved by the Board, May 8, 1917.

Note.—The corresponding secretary wishes to acknowledge with many thanks, valuable assistance rendered in the preparation of this report by the president of the Board, the Rev. Elias W. Thompson, D. D.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

PERMANENT FUND.

MAY 1, 1917.

The several scholarships composing this Fund are all invested in bonds secured by first mortgages on improved real estate in New York City and vicinity.

The Permanent Fund has been raised by the following donations:

GENERAL SCHOLARSHIPS.

For students preparing for the ministry of the Reformed Church, no institution specified.

1865	Charles Dusenbury	\$2,500 00
1872	Garret Kowenhoven	3,000 00
1872	Miss Mary Le Conte	3,000 00
1873	James Peters	3,325 00
1875	John V. L. Van Doren	5,833 00
1876	Miss Margaret E. Duryea	5,000 00
1878	Miss Mary D. Shaffer.....	3,000 00
1878	Miss Mary M. Danser	3,000 00
1879	Rev. A. T. Stewart	3,000 00
1880	Rev. Joseph Scudder	1,000 00
1889	The Mrs. Cornelia A. and Miss Lidde R. Statesir Scholarship	3,000 00
1890-2	"Berean" Scholarship	2,000 00
1891	Daniel P. Conover Scholarship.....	3,000 00
1892	Isaac E. Bergen	2,000 00
1892	Thomas Jessup	2,500 00
1894	Sarah Platt Remsen Scholarship	3,000 00
1894	Phoebe A. Remsen Scholarship.....	3,000 00
1895	Asher Riley Scholarship	3,000 00
1895	Frederick Cook Scholarship.....	3,000 00
1901	Cornelius S. Nevius.....	1,483 49
1902	"Berachah" Scholarship	1,602 73
1903	Rev. Hasbrouck DuBois	950 00
1903	John I. Lake Memorial Fund.....	3,000 00
1904	Sarah A. Brodhead Fund.....	158 33
1909	B. A. Bergen Memorial	2,000 00
1910	John Gosman Scholarship	2,000 00
1913	Rev. Andrew J. Hageman, Scholarship	3,000 00
1915	Rev. John Nicholas Meury Fund	1,032 10
1915	Abbie J. Bell Fund	110 00
		<hr/> \$72,493 75

FOR STUDENTS IN NEW BRUNSWICK THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

1877	Jeremiah Fuller	\$3,007 50
1899	A. F. Hazen Bequest	2,116 03
1904	Alida Van Schaick Scholarship.....	12,500 00
		<hr/> \$17,623 53

FOR STUDENTS PREPARING FOR THE MINISTRY IN RUTGERS
COLLEGE AND NEW BRUNSWICK THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY...

1883	Brush Fund	\$3,000 00	
1900	John and Mary Martin Neefus Educa- tional Fund	17,000 00	
1906	Peter Bogart Scholarship	3,500 00	
1906	Albert H. Randell	500 00	
			<u>24,000 00</u>

FOR STUDENTS PREPARING FOR THE MINISTRY IN THE WEST-
ERN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

1904	Alida Van Schaick Fund	12,000 00
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FOR STUDENTS PREPARING FOR THE MINISTRY IN HOPE COLLEGE AND
WESTERN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

1891	Rev. William Brush Fund.....	\$2,000 00	
1913	Peter I. and Mary Van Kleeck Neefus Fund	30,051 57	
			<u>32,051 57</u>

FOR STUDENTS PREPARING FOR THE MINISTRY IN HOPE COL-
LEGE.

1884	Kesiah Lansing Fund	2,000 00
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FOR THE GENERAL PURPOSES OF THE BOARD.

1914	Peter J. and Jane Merselis Fund.....	30,000 00
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FOR THE BENEFIT OF HOPE COLLEGE.

1885	Johnson Letson Fund	\$1,000 00	
1892	Thomas Jessup Fund	2,500 00	
			<u>3,500 00</u>

FOR THE BENEFIT OF NORTHWESTERN CLASSICAL ACADEMY.

1892	Thomas Jessup Fund	2,500 00	
			<u>\$196,169 75</u>

Amount of Scholarships on hand May 1, 1916.....	\$195,810 00
Received offerings for Rev. John Nicholas Meury Fund..	359 75
Invested on Bond and Mortgage	\$189,800 00
Real Estate	5,000 00
On deposit in Lawyers Title and Trust Co., Brooklyn	1,369 75
	<u>\$196,169 75</u>
	\$196,169 75

CONTINGENT FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand May 1, 1916.....		\$6,944 81
Offerings—		
For Education Fund	\$8,749 68	
Medical Students	300 00	
Hope College	372 38	
Wisconsin Academy	5 00	
Student Special Fund	5 00	
Seminaries	2 67	
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		\$9,434 73
Bequest for general purposes of the Board...		1,425 62
Interest from Investments—		
For General Scholarship Fund, including		
\$5.50 interest from Abbie J. Bell Fund,		
as from Reformed Church of Chatham,		
N. Y.	5,029 42	
Neefis Fund, Eastern	687 50	
Neefus Fund, Western	1,566 89	
Van Schaick Fund	473 69	
Van Schaick Scholarship	365 83	
Merselis Fund	1,463 20	
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		9,586 53.
Interest from Board of Direction—		
For Antonides Fund	\$4,499 05	
General Scholarship Fund	7,126 77	
Parochial School Fund	533 11	
New Brunswick Seminary Students	444 63	
Peter Wyckoff Fund	2,316 40	
Jansen Fund, N. B. Seminary	298 48	
Jansen Fund, Western Seminary.....	298 47	
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		15,516 91
Interest on Daily Balances		257 67
Repayments from Students		2,004 09
Excess of Taxes repaid		17 16
Gain on Sale of Real Estate		500 00
Checks returned unused		52 45
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		\$45,739 97

DISBURSEMENTS.

Western Seminary, Appropriation		\$500 00
Hope College, Appropriation	\$3,500 00	
Offerings	372 38	
Interest, Jessup Fund	59 63	
Interest, Letson Fund	23 85	
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		\$3,955 86
Central College, Appropriation		3,500 00
Northwestern Academy, Appropriation.....	1,200 00	
Interest, Jessup Fund	59 63	
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		1,259 63
Pleasant Prairie Academy, Appropriation...		1,200 00
Wisconsin Academy, Appropriation	1,500 00	
Offering	5 00	
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		1,505 00

Students' Appropriations, Room-rents and Fees--

General Scholarship Fund--

New Brunswick Seminary	2,252 00	
Western Seminary	1,902 25	
Hope College	5,138 55	
Central College	334 00	
Michigan University	84 45	
Chicago University	84 45	
Italian School, Brooklyn	145 81	
Mission House College	37 50	
Bloomfield Seminary	30 00	
Teachers' Training School	30 00	
Rutgers College Preparatory School....	193 15	
		10,232 16

Antonides Fund--

New Brunswick Seminary	150 00	
Western Seminary	240 00	
Hope College	1,309 00	
		1,699 00

Special Funds--

Neefud Fund, Eastern	660 00	
Neefus Fund, Western	560 00	
Van Schaick Fund	320 00	
Van Schaick Scholarship	480 00	
New Brunswick Seminary Students	465 00	
Peter Wyckoff Fund	1,580 00	
Jansen Fund, New Brunswick Seminary	30 00	
Jansen Fund, Western Seminary	40 00	
Medical Students	170 00	
		4,305 00

Legal Expenses	246 32
Real Estate Expenses	155 00
Taxes	350 00
Mrs. Anna K. Brokaw, one-half proceeds of Life Insurance Policy	500 00
Union Square Savings Bank	68 10
Board of Direction, Offering for Seminaries.....	2 67
Salaries	3,550 00
Special office expenses	800 00
Rent of office	560 00
Traveling expenses	468 27
Special appropriation for Cor. Sec.	250 00
Exchange on checks	5 18
Printing	165 45
Postage	32 73
Telephone	18 88
Mission Field	132 96
Christian Intelligencer	160 00
De Hope Publishing Company	140 00
Council of Church Boards of Education	310 00
Fidelity & Casualty Co., Premiums on Bonds.....	25 00
Electric wiring in office	15 00
Office furniture	32 20
Rent of safe deposit box	20 00

Sundry office supplies	45 76
Balance on hand May 1, 1917.....	9,529 80
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BALANCES.

Of the several accounts of the Contingent Fund—

Antonides Fund	\$1,844 90
Education Fund	929 61
General Scholarship Fund	1,817 00
Neefus Fund, Eastern	77 38
Neefus Fund, Western	375 59
Medical Students	448 73
Merselis Fund	1,331 05
New Brunswick Seminary Students	89 74
Parochial School Fund	111 87
Van Schaick Fund	508 16
Van Schaick Scholarship	495 05
Jansen Scholarship, N. B. Sem'y.	376 78
Jansen Scholarship, Western Sem'y.	376 78
Wyckoff Fund	488 27
Students' Emergency Fund	253 89
Student Special Fund	5 00
	<hr/> \$9,529 80

In Bank of Metropolis, New York City.....	\$9,275 91
Union Square Savings Bank, N. Y. City.....	253 89
Certificate of Deposit in Lawyers Title and Trust Co., Brooklyn	6,000 00

JOHN F. BERRY,
Treasurer.

We certify that we have examined the Permanent Fund securities of the Board of Education of the Reformed Church in America and find the sum to amount to One Hundred Ninety-six Thousand One Hundred Sixty-nine dollars and seventy-five cents, (196,169.75), and that we have also compared the receipts and Vouchers of the several Funds and find them correct as they appear upon the books.

JOHN E. ACKERMAN,
JOHN H. RAVEN,
Auditing Committee.

New York, May 7, 1917.

NOTE.—The balances may be used only for the following purposes, viz.:—

General Scholarship Fund, for students preparing for the ministry of the Reformed Church in college, (no special college mentioned), or in one of the theological seminaries of our Church.

Antonides Fund, for same uses as General Scholarship Fund, but the Antonides account must be kept separate.

Neefus Fund, Eastern, for students preparing for the ministry of the Reformed Church in Rutgers College and New Brunswick Seminary.

Neefus Fund, Western, for students preparing for the ministry of the Reformed Church in Hope College and the Western Seminary.

Van Schaick Scholarship, for students preparing for the ministry of the Reformed Church in New Brunswick Seminary.

Van Schaick Fund, for students preparing for the ministry of the Reformed Church in Western Seminary.

Parochial School Fund, for aiding parochial schools and classical academies.

Merselis Fund, for the general purposes of the Board.

Students' Emergency Fund, for especially designated students or for students in cases of exceptional need.

Medical Students' Fund, for students preparing for medical missionary service under commission of the Board of Foreign Missions of our Reformed Church.

Education Fund, for any of the corporate purposes of the Board of Education, namely, for "educating young men for the ministry of the gospel and extending aid to theological and collegiate institutions and religious schools under the care and founded according to the order of the Reformed Church in America."

Peter Wyckoff Fund, for New Brunswick Seminary Students in Hertzog Hall.

OFFERINGS RECEIVED MAY 1, 1916, TO APRIL 30, 1917

CLASSIS OF ALBANY.

1st Albany	\$100 00
Madison Avenue	193 17
4th Albany	10 00
5th Albany, C. E. S....	5 00
6th Albany	17 57
1st Bethlehem	17 00
Clarksville	77
Delmar	8 70
Jerusalem	5 00
New Baltimore	6 26
New Salem	2 14
Westerlo	4 00

\$369 61

CLASSIS OF BERGEN.

1st Hackensack	\$40 00
Schraalenburgh	7 71
English Neighborhood..	11 15
2nd Hackensack	27 30
North Hackensack.....	9 00
Spring Valley	1 31
Westwood	36 59
Oradell	14 90
Hasbrouck Heights ...	10 00
Harrington Park	5 00
Italian Hackensack....	2 00

\$164 96

CLASSIS OF SOUTH BERGEN.

Bergen, Jersey City..	\$96 43
1st Bayonne	21 90
1st Van Voorst, Jersey City	7 00
5th Street, Bayonne...	61 29
Lafayette, Jersey City.	56 00
Greenville, Jersey City	32 24
3rd Bayonne	2 00
1st German Evang..	10 00
Jersey City	15 00
Faith, Jersey City....	

\$301 86

CLASSIS OF CASCADES.

1st Montana	\$6 50
North Yakima	15 00
Oak Harbor	6 10

\$27 60

CLASSIS OF DAKOTA.

Aurora	\$4 00
Charles Mix	5 00
Corsica	5 00
Grand View	5 50
Harrison	9 43
Litchville	1 69
Maurice, Am. Ref....	11 00
Monroe, Sandham Mem'l	26 47
Orange City	29 40
Springfield	29 08
Westfield	11 36

\$137 93

CLASSIS OF GERMANIA.

Bethany	\$10 00
Dempster	9 65
Lennox, 2nd	14 00
S. S., 2nd Lennox.....	4 18
Logan	5 00
Monroe	10 00
North Sibley	10 00
Salem	25 00

\$87 83

CLASSIS OF GRAND RIVER.

Ada	\$3 00
Atwood	3 73
Byron Center	7 56
Coopersville	18 00
Decatur	3 00
Detroit	50 42
Fremont	6 11
Grand Haven, 1st....	44 22
Grand Rapids, 3rd....	18 00
5th Grand Rapids....	7 27
6th Grand Rapids....	10 00
7th Grand Rapids....	10 00
8th Grand Rapids....	8 94
9th Grand Rapids....	8 00
Grandville	18 83
Kalamazoo, 1st	33 41
3rd Kalamazoo	13 15
4th Kalamazoo	14 00
Lamont	1 60
Muskegon, 1st	13 50
3rd Muskegon	2 00
New Era	8 00
Portage	12 21
Spring Lake	8 00
Twin Lake	13 00

\$335 95

CLASSIS OF GREENE.

Athens	\$10 00
Catskill	29 34
1st Cocksackie	7 31
2nd Cocksackie	4 53
Kiskatom	3 00

\$54 18

CLASSIS OF HOLLAND.

Beaverdam	\$6 00
1st Cleveland	8 10
Calvary, Cleveland ...	37 95
1st Hamilton	16 45
1st Holland	24 46
3rd Holland	30 40
S. S., 3rd Holland....	11 47
4th Holland	18 00
1st Jamestown	12 55
2nd Jamestown	11 37
North Blendon	3 00
North Holland	13 50
Overisel	40 42
South Blendon	9 93
Three Oaks	2 00
1st Zeeland	15 00

\$260 60

CLASSIS OF HUDSON.

Claverack	\$30 26
Germantown	5 00
Hudson	30 25
Hungarian, Hudson ..	3 00
S. S., Linlithgo	2 00
Livingston Mem'l	3 77
Philmont	56 51
West Copake	2 14
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	\$132 93

CLASSIS OF ILLINOIS.

Bethany	\$43 66
Fairview	5 00
Immanuel	20 00
Spring Lake	1 00
Summit	5 00
S. S., Summit	4 21
Trinity	4 80
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	\$83 67

CLASSIS OF IOWA.

Alton	\$23 20
Alvord	2 00
Boydton	15 20
Carmel	20 00
Chandler	8 00
Doon	5 41
Edgerton	15 00
Free Grace, Middleburg	15 00
Holland	48 83
S. S., Hospers	20 00
Hull	39 77
Ireton	6 75
Luctor	5 04
Maurice	87 25
Newkirk	45 27
Orange	66 60
Pella	11 35
Prairie View	14 75
Rock Rapids	3 00
Rock Valley	12 20
Roseland	17 90
Rotterdam	7 00
Sanborn	17 15
Sandstone	3 00
Sheldon	10 00
Silver Creek	13 50
Sioux Center	60 00
Steen	24 96
Volga	5 00
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	\$623 13

CLASSIS OF KINGSTON.

Bloomington	\$13 73
The Clove	3 26
Gardiner	9 27
Hurley	4 00
Kingston, Fair Street.	16 26
Krumville	3 00
Lyonsville	2 00
Stone Ridge	5 74
New Pultz	23 71
Rochester	2 50
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	\$83 47

NORTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND.

Jamaica	\$51 25
Oyster Bay	10 00
North Hempstead	10 00
Flushing	40 00
Kent Street, Brooklyn	7 26
South Bushwick	12 00
S. S., Astoria	8 00
Queens	5 00
College Point	70 98
S. S., College Point...	10 00
1st Long Island City..	5 00
German, Newtown	5 00
New Hyde Park	5 05
Sunny Side	2 00
Winfield	5 00
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	\$246 54

SOUTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND.

1st Reformed, Brooklyn	\$10 00
1st Flatbush	52 17
Grace Reformed	38 90
New Utrecht	20 00
Gravesend	23 27
Flatlands	17 00
12th Street, Brooklyn	23 78
Bethany	5 46
S. S., Bethany	5 00
Church-on-the-Heights	34 09
New Brooklyn	10 00
Y. P. S., 2nd Flatbush	2 00
Canarsie	5 00
Ocean Hill	4 09
Edgewood	2 00
Bay Ridge	28 05
Woodlawn	25 00
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	\$305 81

CLASSIS OF MICHIGAN.

Bethany, Grand Rapids	\$20 00
Bethany, Kalamazoo ..	15 00
Bethel, Grand Rapids..	38 88
Calvary, G. R.	10 00
2nd Grand Haven	10 00
1st Grand Rapids.....	55 96
2nd Grand Rapids.....	76 90
Hope, Holland	41 63
Immanuel, G. R.	6 00
2nd Kalamazoo	10 00
2nd Muskegon	7 28
North Park Street....	8 57
Trinity, Holland	15 75
Trinity, G. R.	10 00
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	\$325 97

CLASSIS OF MONMOUTH.

1st Freehold	\$9 41
Colt's Neck	5 00
Red Bank	8 00
Middletown	6 97
Keyport	10 00
Asbury Park	6 18
2nd Freehold	44 25
Holmdel	3 47
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	\$93 28

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY.

1st Amsterdam	\$14 68
S. S., 1st Amsterdam..	12 68
Trinity, Amsterdam...	23 03
Canajoharie	9 63
Currytown	7 50
Florida	12 99
Fort Plain	20 54
Fultonville	8 00
Glen	5 00
Hagaman	15 56
Herkimer	30 01
Interlaken	14 76
Johnstown	8 00
Lodi	10 00
Owasco	3 33
Saint Johnsville	6 66
Sprakers	4 62
Stone Arabia	10 00
1st Syracuse	19 25
2nd Syracuse	5 00
Utica	16 92
West Leyden	2 00
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	\$260 16

CLASSIS OF NEWARK.

Belville	\$20 22
1st Newark	25 00
Franklin	3 53
North, Newark	83 74
West, Newark	10 00
S. S. West, Newark...	4 00
Clinton Ave., Newark..	83 41
Trinity, Newark	1 89
Linden	3 00
Brookdale	4 00
1st Orange	12 75
Trinity, Plainfield...	24 00
S. S., Trinity, Plainfield	10 00
German, Plainfield...	1 00
Montclair Heights	10 00
Hyde Park	19 65
Netherwood	8 42
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	\$324 61

CLASSIS OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

1st New Brunswick...	\$48 00
Six Mile Run	9 35
Hillsborough	8 14
Middlebush	4 48
Griggstown	9 47
2nd New Brunswick ..	45 00
Bound Brook	7 79
East Millstone	11 04
Metuchen	48 17
Suydam Street	31 86
Highland Park	13 44
Spotswood	7 00
Perth Amboy	4 00
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	\$237 74

CLASSIS OF NEW YORK.

New York Collegiate..	\$431 12
Miss'y Soc'y, 34th St..	15 00
S. S. Vermilye Chapel	10 00
Harlem	54 18
Staten Island	31 95
Fordham Manor	10 00

68th Street, German..	4 00
S. S. Manor Chapel	10 00
Brighton Heights	35 00
Brighton Heights, S. S.	10 03
Zion, German Ev.	20 00
West Farms	4 20
Mott Haven	26 62
Melrose	3 00
Union of High Bridge	12 43
Grace	10 00
Hamilton Grange	19 60
Anderson Memorial...	2 62
Church of the Comforter	10 02
Bethany Memorial	5 00
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CLASSIS OF ORANGE.

Deer Park	\$10 00
Ellenville	20 25
Fallsburgh	4 93
Grahamsville	1 00
Montgomery	7 00
New Hurley	11 67
New Prospect	9 77
Shawangunk	11 60
Walden	8 84
Wallkill	45 36
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CLASSIS OF PALISADES.

New Durham	\$40 00
North Bergen	15 00
S. S. North Bergen...	7 00
Coytesville	2 11
Central Avenue, Jersey City	19 45
S. S. Central Ave., Jersey City	7 00
West Hoboken	12 84
Trinity, W. New York	2 00
Woodcliff	28 46
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CLASSIS OF PARAMUS.

Acquackanonk	\$232 52
Athenia	11 80
Clifton	25 38
Hawthorne	8 00
Hohokus	2 00
1st Holland, Passaic ..	27 50
North, Passaic	19 61
Broadway, Paterson ..	26 66
Paterson, Church of the Comforter	8 53
Paterson, 1st Holland.	10 00
Paterson, 2nd*Holland	15 00
Ridgewood	77 35
Saddle River	8 07
Spring Valley	14 28
Warwick	97 00
Y. P. S. Warwick.....	25 00
Wortendyke, 1st Holland	11 93
Upper Ridgewood Soc'y	3 00
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CLASSIS OF PASSAIC.

Fairfield	\$1 13
1st Little Falls	37 27
2nd Little Falls	8 00
Mountain Lakes	5 00
Peoples Park	10 00
Preakness	4 08
Riverside	5 00
6th Holland	8 69
Union Reformed	25 00
Wyckoff	3 64

\$107 81

CLASSIS OF PELLA.

Bethel	\$5 88
Ebenezer	15 71
Muscatine	5 00
New Sharon	4 75
Oskaloosa	2 91
Otley	24 31
1st Pella	63 00
2nd Pella	50 00
3rd Pella	20 00
Prairie City	5 00
Sully	9 67

\$206 23

CLASSIS OF PHILADELPHIA.

S. S. Churchville	\$16 67
S. S. Johnsville	5 00
Harlingen	16 91
Neshanic	35 13
1st Philadelphia	26 40
4th Philadelphia	10 95
S. S., 4th Philadelphia	25 00
Blawenburgh	9 03
Clover Hill	7 00
5th Philadelphia	15 00
Addisville	14 50
Three Bridges	3 00
Talmage Memorial	20 00

\$204 59

CLASSIS OF PLEASANT
PRAIRIE.

Alexander	\$10 00
Aplington	15 00
Bristow	10 00
Buffalo Center	10 00
Dumont	5 00
Ebenezer	10 00
Elim	8 00
Forreston	50 00
Immanuel	5 00
Monroe	20 00
S. S. Parkersburg	26 00
Pekin	10 00
Peoria	6 00
Ramsay	22 27
Silver Creek	25 00
Y. P. S. Silver Creek	13 00
Stout	13 00
Washington	10 00
Wellsburg	20 00
Zion	22 29

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CLASSIS OF POUGHKEEPSIE.

Poughkeepsie	\$54 56
Fishkill	14 67
Hopewell	16 08
Rhinebeck	5 00
Fishkill-on-Hudson	20 00
Hyde Park	5 25
Millbrook	10 82

\$126 38

CLASSIS OF RARITAN.

1st Raritan	\$21 59
Readington	6 68
Bedminster	42 81
Lebanon	11 39
Rockaway	5 00
S. S. Rockaway	5 00
North Branch	10 21
2nd Raritan	82 48
S. S. Peapack	2 45
South Branch	6 93
3rd Raritan	19 51
High Bridge	6 00
4th Raritan	10 00

\$230 05

CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER.

Blooming Grove	\$3 50
Castleton	5 00
Chatham	16 00
1st Ghent	1 00
2nd Ghent	5 00
Greenbush	7 00
Kinderhook	20 07
Nassau	6 80
Nassau, S. S.	1 00
New Concord	1 00
Rensselaer	2 00
Stuyvesant	2 00

\$70 37

CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER.

Abbe	\$15 00
Arcadia	10 00
Brighton	8 50
Clymer Hill	6 67
East Williamson	22 76
1st Marion	5 00
2nd Marion	18 15
Ontario	4 40
Pultneyville	9 34
2nd Rochester	15 95
Williamson	8 50

\$124 27

CLASSIS OF SARATOGA.

Boght	\$2 00
Buskirk	15 00
Cohoes	15 00
Greenwich	26 69
Northumberland	5 03
Saratoga	10 00
Schaghticoke	1 77

\$75 49

CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.

Altamont	\$6 84
Helderburch	19 17
Niskayuna	25 00
Princeton	5 00
2nd Rotterdam	17 46
1st Schenectady	13 44
Mount Pleasant	8 03
Bellevue	60 79
S. S. Bellevue	19 31
Scotia	20 00
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CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE.

Cobleskill	\$6 59
1st Howe's Cave	3 81
2nd Howe's Cave	6 00
Middleburgh	12 00
Schoharie	2 65
S. S. Schoharie	10 00
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CLASSIS OF ULSTER.

Blue Mountain	\$2 00
S. S. Blue Mountain..	6 00
Church-of-the-Comfor-	
ter	11 50
High Woods	2 50
Kaatsban	10 00
1st Kingston	52 69
Port Ewen	6 76
Plattekill	3 37
Saugerties	14 32
West Hurley	1 25
Woodstock	3 80
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	\$114 19

CLASSIS OF WESTCHESTER.

Bronxville	\$27 95
S. S. Bronxville	35 32
Cortlandtown	10 00
Crescent Place	5 00
Greenburgh	43 00
Greenville	5 45
Hastings	13 02
S. S. Hastings	1 00
Mount Vernon	27 95
Mill Square	5 00
Nyack	28 65
Park Hill	38 40
Peekskill	7 50
1st Tarrytown	108 20
Hawthorne	2 50
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CLASSIS OF WISCONSIN.

Alto	\$47 55
S. S. Alto	11 58
Baldwin	7 00
Cedar Grove	20 00
1st Chicago	19 34
S. S., 1st Chicago	20 00
S. S. West Side	17 41
De Motte	10 14
Ebenezer	8 80
1st Englewood	15 11

2nd Englewood	7 50
Forestville	5 50
1st Fulton	15 40
2nd Fulton	8 15
Friesland	24 00
Gano	12 24
Gibbsville	23 05
Greenleafston	35 83
Hingham	10 00
Hope, Sheboygan	8 50
Indianapolis	2 00
Lafayette	6 90
Lansing	38 77
Milwaukee	46 44
Mount Greenwood	6 50
Oostburg	10 52
Randolph	3 00
1st Roseland	22 98
Sheboygan Falls	8 55
South Holland	20 00
Spring Valley	6 21
Wichert	8 11
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INDIVIDUAL AND SPECIAL OFFERINGS.

Mrs. P. M. Doolittle...	\$20 00
Mrs. M. B. Millspaugh	10 00
"E. W., New Jersey"...	2 50
Mrs. J. Swiss	6 00
"From Kingston, N. Y."	75 00
Rev. Dr. W. I. Cham-	
berlain	10 00
Holland Mission Feast	10 00
"In Memory of W."...	250 00
Member of 1st Muske-	
gon	25 00
"A Friend"	200 00
Two Friends	50 00
Rev. G. W. Labaw	5 00
Miss Margaret Varick..	10 00
John D. Hoffman	1 00
Cash	6 00
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Total	\$680 50

BEQUEST FOR GENERAL FUND.

Estate of Mrs. Catharine S. Du Bois.....	\$1,425 62
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GIFTS FOR PERMANENT FUND.

Knox Memorial Church for Rev. John Nichols's Meury Fund	\$359 75
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TOTAL OF OFFERINGS AND BEQUESTS.

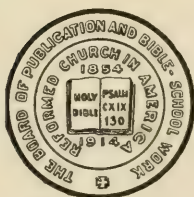
Offerings of Churches and Societies	\$8,751 56
Offerings of Individuals for Contingent Fund	680 50
Bequest	1,425 62
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Together with the

Report of the Business Agent,
the Educational Secretary and
the Committee on Evangelism

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PRESENTED TO THE GENERAL SYNOD,
ASBURY PARK, NEW JERSEY, JUNE, 1917



ANNUAL REPORT—1917

TO THE GENERAL SYNOD:

In presenting the sixty-third annual report of the Board of Publication and Bible-school Work to the General Synod, your Board records its thanksgivings to God throughout another year of progressive work in all departments, and its dependence on God's leadership in facing a new year's work with problems arising out of the need of the Church and the death of our Business Agent, Mr. Louis E. Turk, whose seventeen years of valued service in the business administration of our Board had made him well nigh invaluable.

THE NOTABLE EVENTS.

The notable events of the year to which we call attention of the Synod are three.

1. The death of our Business Agent, Mr. Louis E. Turk, almost at the close of the year, after a long and highly valued service of seventeen years calls for special notice. Mr. Turk's presence at the meetings of the General Synod made him generally known and beloved by the ministry and eldership throughout our Church. At the meeting of the General Synod of 1897 the following resolution was adopted. Resolved, "That at the earliest practicable moment a young man of business education and experience should be found and appointed to fill the important part of Business Manager, that the Board may reach that high standard of efficiency toward which we aim." In June 1898 at the meeting of the Synod the above resolution was re-affirmed. In June, 1899, the Board reported to General Synod "A young man of business education and experience, to quote the words of Synod's Committee, has been secured in the person of Mr. Louis E. Turk, for many years with the well known firm of Fleming H. Revell Company." That prophecy and promise made at the beginning were fulfilled. The progress and in-

fluence of the Board as a factor in the Church's work and a force in the Church's life is due largely to his devotion to his work, and his far-reaching plans for increasing its usefulness to the Reformed Church. As a veteran of the Seventh Regiment, New York, Mr. Turk was called to the colors for service in training the Home Defense League, and at the last meeting of the Board which he attended asked for leave of absence in case of a need for military service. The over-taxing of his strength in this service was the apparent cause of his death.

2. The progress of the Department of Religious Education under the leadership of Rev. Theodore F. Bayles, our Educational Secretary, whose induction into this office was the notable event of last year's report, shows the wisdom of the Synod in creating this department, and the Board in welcoming it as an important part of its growing work. The Bible-school and Young People's Work of the denomination is rapidly aligning itself with the Department of Religious Education. The Board appreciates the co-operation and cordiality which has cheered our Educational Secretary everywhere throughout the denomination. The fuller report of the Educational Secretary that follows, gives in detail his varied and constant service. His presence in our Board at this time of great need of trained leadership is clearly providential.

3. The proposal of The Christian Intelligencer Association that our Board assume the publication and business management of this time-honored Church paper. This proposal has challenged the best thought of our Board for the greater part of the year. On July 10, 1916, A. DeW. Mason, D. D., representing The Christian Intelligencer Association, presented to our Executive Committee the imperative need of help from some source to continue the publication of the paper up to July 1, 1917, and to assume the full responsibility after that date, and called upon our Committee and Board to confer with a like committee representing The Christian Intelligencer Association. Such a committee, consisting of the Corresponding Secretary, I. W. Gowen, D. D.,

the Treasurer, John F. Chambers, P. S. Leinbach, D. D., J. V. L. Wyckoff and H. A. Kinports was appointed for this purpose. After conference, recommendations were made on the proposition of The Christian Intelligencer Association to our Board to take over The Christian Intelligencer in case the General Synod of 1917 commits it to our Board and also the proposition of giving The Intelligencer Association such assistance as to insure its publication until Synod acts upon the question. To convince the Synod of the critical condition of our representative Church paper, we present the letter in full.

Board of Publication and Bible-school Work:

Gentlemen:—The Intelligencer Publishing Company through the undersigned committee would respectfully request the Board of Publication to consider the possibility of taking over under its control the publication of The Christian Intelligencer.

After earnest efforts extending over the past few years to maintain the paper on a basis suited to a representative of the Reformed Church, we have found it impossible to continue the publication without advice and assistance of an authorized Board of the Church, and we appeal to you, as the Board to whom is intrusted the publication interests of our Church, to assist this paper in continuing the service which it has so long rendered to our denomination.

If the Board can assure us that it will appeal to the General Synod of 1917 for its authorization to undertake the publishing of The Intelligencer, and can further agree to assist us in any way that it may deem proper toward meeting our financial deficits until after the adjournment of General Synod, we will endeavor to continue the publication of the paper in the same manner as heretofore until July 1, 1917. If sufficient assistance, however, is not forthcoming from some source, we cannot engage to maintain the paper for any considerable time to come.

We have placed the facts and figures relating to this matter in the hands of the special committee appointed by

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the Executive Committee of your Board, and it will no doubt be able to give you all the needed information.

We sincerely trust you will be able to give a prompt reply to this request, in order that we may lay our plans, as regards publication, for the next few months. On behalf of The Intelligencer Publishing Company, we are,

Respectfully yours,

N. H. VAN ARSDALE,
ALFRED DRURY,
A. DEWITT MASON.

To this call for a service to be rendered to the Reformed Church your Board took the following action:

"That this Board appeal to the General Synod of 1917 for its authorization to undertake the publication and management of the paper after July 1, 1917.

"That the welfare and best usefulness of our Church imperatively requires a Church paper as a spur to the loyalty and devotion of its people.

"That The Christian Intelligencer Association is in a serious situation, and cannot be expected to finance the paper for another year. They so state and the books verify the statement.

"That the Association could carry on the paper until July 1, 1917, if they had the assurance that after that date the Association would be permanently relieved of any further liability.

"That some action by this Board at this time is necessary to the further existence of our present Church paper.

"That the Board is in a better position to appeal to Church people through a Church paper than a private corporation.

"That since there are 50,000 families in the eastern part and 20,000 families in the western part of our Church, we are warranted in believing that the Board's agents can reach these families with a clearer call to loyalty than the present corporation, and on that ground we have reason to hope to increase the subscription list to 6,000, the present list being 3,600, with a subscription price of \$2.00 instead of \$2.50 for the paper.

‘That if these results can be accomplished under the Board’s active management of the paper, we can assure the Board that the paper may become eventually self-sustaining.

“That the full control of the editorial and business management of The Intelligencer shall be lodged in the Board when the transfer of the paper is made by the authority of the General Synod.”

The only outstanding indebtedness of The Christian Intelligencer Association which they have not removed at the time of the meeting is an unpaid note of \$4,500 to the Drury Estate, for which with the consent of the Estate the following action has been taken by your Board.

“That the Board agree to pay the sum of \$400 a year for nine years in full payment of both principal and interest. In return for this payment, The Christian Intelligencer Association agrees to turn over to our Board the entire right and title to the paper, including subscription list, advertising contracts, good will, etc.”

“Your committee therefore recommends that the Board assure The Christian Intelligencer Association that they are favorable to the proposition submitted to it to appeal to the General Synod of 1917 for the taking over of The Christian Intelligencer from The Christian Intelligencer Association, as a Church paper for the whole denomination, upon the distinct understanding that the entire control shall be lodged in the Board on and after July 1, 1917.”

EVANGELISTIC WORK.

Another year of evangelistic effort has been put forth by our Board. The Classes have been brought into line by organization with evangelistic agents, by inspiration in distribution of evangelistic literature and by effort in evangelistic services both independent or co-operative, which have been marked by blessed results. The report of our Committee on Evangelistic Work follows later in this summary of the year.

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CO-OPERATION IN MISSIONARY EDUCATION WORK.

The Board stands ready to co-operate through its Educational Secretary with the missionary education department of the Boards of Missions of the Reformed Church. The honored Secretary, Mr. Harry A. Kinports, for ten years, whose resignation was received with regret by the Department, is a member of our Board and Evangelistic Committee, thus conserving his interest in Missionary Education to the denomination. Our Educational Secretary also has been commissioned by the Board to render any service within his power to further the objects of this Department of Missionary Education. The Board is also ready to act as publishing agency for the literature and graded lessons on Missions for children and the young people of the Reformed Church. The report of the Joint Committee of the Missionary Education Department will be found elsewhere in our report.

OUR BIBLE-SCHOOL OFFERINGS.

A most encouraging mark of interest in our Board is the growing number of Bible-schools who are making a contribution to our Board as a requirement in the Standard of Efficiency of these training centers of Church life. The time is coming we trust in our beloved denomination when these Bible schools will carry on the entire work of Religious Education by their generous offerings.

INCREASING BUSINESS.

Figures are all that we have to tell the story of the year's business. Even the notes penned each year by our Business Agent are not in hand to guide us in summing up the year's business. A notable gain in the sale of periodicals over last year's report; the loss in book sales is almost equalled by the gain in miscellaneous sales, gives the total business \$49,349.88, with a gain of \$2,064.57, about 4½ per cent.

LOOKING AHEAD.

Upon the action of this Synod of 1917, concerning The Christian Intelligencer, will depend in a large measure the plans of our Board for the coming year. The reconstruction of our Business Department will be the first work to be done. The Board stands ready to assume any task committed to us by the General Synod, and have made every preparation to continue the publication of The Christian Intelligencer from July 1, 1917, if Synod so direct.

The decrease of our book business, and the increase of our periodical and other Church business will determine our policy in the coming year in the personnel of our business staff.

SUGGESTIVE ACTION.

Resolution 1. In view of the enlarging work of our Board, as committed to us from preceding Synods, and in case of favorable action of this Synod in committing to us The Christian Intelligencer, your Board feels constrained to ask the Church through the Synod for \$20,000 as the least amount adequate for the work of the coming year.

Resolution 2. That the Consistories of all our churches in apportioning the budget of benevolences for the coming year be enjoined to give this Board ten cents of every dollar contributed to the Boards of our Church as a fair proportion for the work of this Board.

Resolution 3. That the Board again calls attention to its facilities for supplying to churches, Bible schools and Young People's societies the equipment needed for the maintenance of their various lines of work, and urges all the churches, schools and Young People's societies to communicate with our Business Department before ordering such supplies.

Resolution 4. That the Synod calls the attention of all our churches to the great importance of making annually a contribution to the Board of Publication and Bible-school Work in view of the enlarged responsibilities laid upon us by the Church.

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Also the following relating to the work of the Department of Religious Education.

Resolution 1. That we urge upon the schools the attainment of a 75 per cent. average attendance.

Resolution 2. That the goal of "More of our pupils won for Jesus Christ" be the subject of work and prayer throughout the year.

The terms of the following members expire at this time, and their successors should be chosen:

Rev. Martin Flipse,	Mr. George C. Morgan,
" John A. Van Neste,	" David Master,
" J. Collings Caton,	" Henry Van Ark,
" Paul S. Leinbach, D. D.,	" J. Van Liew Wyckoff,
	" Harry A. Kinports.

One member of the Board, Rev. Wm. J. MacDonald, D. D., whose term would not have expired until 1919, is unable longer to serve having accepted a call to a church in another denomination. A vacancy occurs in the list of those whose terms now expire caused by the resignation of Rev. Roy Ewing Vale, who accepted a call to a church in another denomination. New members should be chosen to fill these vacancies.

Respectfully submitted,

I. W. GOWEN,
Corresponding Secretary.

REPORT OF THE BUSINESS DEPARTMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1917

TO THE BOARD:

The business mentioned in this report has all been carried out under the faithful supervision and leadership of our late Business Agent, Mr. Louis E. Turk. All of these interests were very dear to him, and it is with considerable hesitation that I attempt to review his efforts.

Conclusions of the business are based upon the close experience of twelve months, and the new policies are a result of these experiences.

With the sudden removal of the Business Agent, the usual carefully wrought out conclusions and wisely planned policies cannot be given this year. Such conclusions as are expressed in figures will be stated, and these are correct. Policies hastily framed would be unwise, so that a definite program for the year cannot be formulated. The principle of desire to serve our churches in every possible way will continue to be the general policy.

SALES.

The total balance of business \$49,349.88 represents a gain of $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. This in consideration of the epidemic of infantile paralysis, together with serious world disturbances is a very satisfactory gain.

In periodical sales there has been a gain of \$2,390.10.

Book sales have decreased \$1,828.28.

Church and school supplies increased \$1,502.75.

While there is rejoicing over that which has been attained, yet there is a large opportunity for more of our churches and schools to purchase their entire supplies from their own Board.

CHILDREN'S DAY.

The Children's Day Service, "His Wonderful Works," met with remarkable success. Five thousand five hundred

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and fourteen (5,514) copies were given in exchange for an offering and 4,066 sold.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Attention is called to the detailed list of contributions which will be found on another page. There has been a 40 per cent. increase over last year. For this we give thanks to all those who have been permitted to have a share in it. When however, even this gain is placed against the background of the judgment of the General Synod of 1916, which enjoined the churches to assign to the Board at least 5 per cent. of their budgets of benevolences contributed to denominational objects, and asked the Church to contribute for the year \$15,000, it is evident that a larger opportunity presents itself to many more of our churches and Bible schools.

BENEVOLENCES.

The applications received this year, for donations of hymn books, Bibles, will be found listed on another page. They have been granted after careful investigation. These donations have proved most helpful in the upbuilding of our Reformed Church. The Board scarcely can appreciate the high value that has been placed upon these donations by the recipients.

Respectfully submitted,

THEODORE F. BAYLES,

Acting Business Agent.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM TO THE BOARD:

This is the second report of the Committee as reorganized by the Synod of 1915. One part of our work is to help the church to realize that it has such a committee and to believe that its assistance is worth seeking.

To this end we have asked the Classes to make their committees on Evangelism permanent, and to encourage them to plan and supervise proper evangelistic activities within their own bounds. With few exceptions the Classes have appointed such committees but not all of them are as yet vigorously at work.

Late in the fall a folder, entitled "A Call to Systematic Evangelistic Effort," was prepared and copies sent to all our pastors. Requests for additional copies for distribution came in such numbers that a second edition was required and in all 11,200 copies were sent out. In this folder we echoed the enthusiasm of the report made to General Synod of the largest number of accessions to the churches of our denomination on confession of faith ever yet recorded—8,345; and also set forth the alarming fact that 83 churches, one-ninth of the whole, reported no accessions, and 186, one-fourth of the whole, had received less than five. The need of more general evangelistic zeal is evident, and the stronger churches were urged to evince a willingness to aid the weak, that such a result may not need to be reported again.

The program your committee offered in the folder to the churches emphasized intensive work in each congregation. It is as follows:

PROGRAM.

1. A family altar in each home.
2. A prayerful purpose in each organization in each church to win souls for Christ.

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3. A prayer circle or personal workers' league in each congregation.

4. To so make the Sunday evening service evangelistic that no unconverted one can go away without having an opportunity presented to him of being reconciled to God.

5. That the Bible-school work shall be considered incomplete unless the goal of a definite declaration for Christ shall be presented to each pupil of proper age and development.

6. A neighborhood survey with a view to discovering unchurched families, and a consistent effort to bring them into the fellowship of the church.

7. A series of evangelistic services during January, February or March, the helpful co-operation of neighboring pastors being sought.

As an aid we offered a brief list of books and folders that churches may use to advantage. Additional volumes have been added to the library on evangelism that has been assembled in our Board rooms.

The number of our ministers who have applied for registration as ready to do special evangelistic work is not as great as we think it should be. However it is at present equal to the demands. Twelve requests for the recommendation of evangelists were received, and one campaign was definitely arranged. This was at Long Branch, N. J., where Rev. C. J. Fingar of the Classis of Raritan conducted a series of services with good results. Rev. C. R. Muller, a member of the Classical Committee of the Classis of Long Island (North) was made Superintendent of Evangelism of the Nassau County Sunday School Association, and conducted two evangelistic campaigns with splendid results. We note also that several of our ministers have aided in evangelistic campaigns in their respective localities.

The churches of the Classis of New York and adjoining territory have co-operated heartily in the work preparatory to the evangelistic campaign now in progress under the leadership of Rev. William A. Sunday. We trust that next year we may be permitted to chronicle large fruitage from this effort.

Our committee has continued to co-operate with the Commission on Evangelism of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America. Following the meeting of the Council held last December in St. Louis the Commission has been reorganized with Dr. Charles L. Goodell, of New York, as chairman. The chairman of our committee is still a member of the Executive Committee of Federal Council's Commission and Mr. Bayles has been invited to membership on the Commission.

The resolutions adopted by the Federal Council at St. Louis were referred by the Commission on Evangelism to the various denominational committees for their consideration. We copy these resolutions as they are to form the basis of such co-operative effort as we may undertake during the quadrennium.

RESOLUTIONS OF THE FEDERAL COUNCIL.

1. Resolved that the secretaries of the various Denominational committees make a mutual exchange of all literature published by their respective committees, and of all resolutions respecting evangelism passed by their respective ecclesiastical bodies.

2. That the several national committees report some definite method of financing their own work, and also of making some small contribution toward the support of the work of the Commission.

3. That the twenty-six national denominational committees are advised and urged to organize co-operative evangelistic committees in the various districts, conferences, Synods, etc., with a view to furthering both the work of their own denomination and the federation of all the forces and resources of all the churches for concerted evangelistic work.

4. That the action of the executive committee of the Federal Council at Columbus, Ohio, authorizing the Commission on Evangelism, through its own executive committee, to prepare a nation-wide movement of evangelistic endeavor, in co-operation with the various denominational committees, is hereby confirmed and emphasized, and that the

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various denominational committees be urged to promote by every means in their power this nation-wide movement of evangelistic endeavor.

5. That the executive committee of the Commission be and hereby is authorized to hold conferences with the several denominational committees in order to standardize the work of each denomination, to secure definite denominational action upon plans submitted, and to develop concerted action in connection with the nation-wide movement.

In response to these resolutions we would report that we have sent copies of our publications to the other denominational committees; we have contributed again to the support of Federal Council's Commission, by vote of the Board upon which we rely for financial support; that we are ready and anxious to work in co-operation with other evangelical denominations, and encourage our ministers to cherish the co-operative spirit; that we stand ready to give our share of support to any sane plans for a nation-wide evangelistic effort through regular denominational agencies; and that we shall gladly confer with Federal Council's Commission so as to come to a proper understanding of our part of the great work that is projected.

We are glad to report that the expenses of our committee have been very moderate. We feel that the work is growing in the appreciation of the churches, and that it will become increasingly important as our purposes and aims become better understood.

Surely, in view of the solemn crisis which has come upon our nation, there is an imperative call to aggressive evangelism. "Man's necessity is God's opportunity," and there is every reason to believe that in these days of stress and storm a Church prepared to assume her proper leadership can do a mighty work in advancing the cause of Christ among men.

Respectfully submitted,

OSCAR M. VOORHEES,

Chairman.

REPORT OF THE EDUCATIONAL SECRETARY FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1917

It is a pleasure at the completion of the first Church year of actual service of the Department, to express appreciation of the fullest co-operation on the part of the Board, and a most gracious reception everywhere throughout the Church.

INTERDENOMINATIONAL ACTIVITIES.

All former relations have been maintained and strengthened, and a very important new feature is the representation of the Reformed Church in America on the International Lesson Committee through the membership in that body of its Educational Secretary. The initial meeting occurred December 15, 1916, in New York City.

Our Church is also represented on The Topic Committee of the Denominational and Interdenominational Young People's Society Conference, which met in New York City December 28, 1916.

Important things are taking place in the religious educational world, witness for example the new 120 Lesson Course in Teacher Training, as provided by the Teacher Training Committee of the Sunday School Commission of the Federal Council; the proposed new system of grading in groupings of three years each, and the proposed International Sunday-school Lessons, improved uniform series. All of these matters will be presented as occasion demands.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION.

The various forms under which our work is carried on are all being fostered with care, and each one occupies its own unique and important place.

a. Bible Schools. Two goals have been placed before the schools.

- (1) A ten per cent. increase enrollment campaign.
- (2) Teacher Training.

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With regard to the former, a special red and blue card competitive system was prepared for the use of the schools. 515 schools report 11,787 new pupils, or 13 2-3 per cent. increase. 232 schools left the column blank, in many cases stating that no record had been kept.

In response to the question "Number of students in registered Teacher Training Classes," there is a net gain of 323. This figure is very incomplete as expressing the progress of Teacher Training. The number of Teacher Training Course Books sold, the registrations reported by State Associations and other facts, indicate a very large advance.

The goals for the year April 1, 1917, to April 1, 1918, are :

(1) 75 per cent. average attendance.

(2) More of our pupils won for Jesus Christ.

The Department has been in touch with the schools during the year through nine communications to each superintendent.

Schools qualifying in all ten points in the Standard of Efficiency (not already Charter Honor Schools) will be presented on Children's Day with a handsome honor school diploma, and will be known as honor schools. The diploma partially complete will be awarded to schools qualifying in eight or more points.

Seven hundred forty-seven (747) schools reported this year, about 92 per cent., a gain of 2 per cent. over last year. These report 11,972 officers and teachers, 121,831 pupils.

b. Catechetical Classes.

These are very important features in our Reformed Church. The great truths of God are necessary for character building. 21,560 pupils are enrolled and 4,387 united with the Church from Bible schools and Catechetical Classes.

c. Junior Congregations are helping to solve the problem of training the children in church attendance, this very essential part of Christian development.

d. Young People's societies exist in various forms. The relation between these societies and the Board was very definitely established by the reorganization of the Missionary Education Department on January 1, 1917, and as a

preliminary step to making these relations helpful, the addresses of the secretary of each Young People's society has been secured. The following statistics are of interest: Christian Endeavor members, Senior, 11,510; Intermediate, 1,086; Junior, 3,789. Other organizations and membership: Young People's Society, 1,430; Boy Scouts, 1,258; Young Ladies' Missionary Society, 794; Mission Band, 592; Guild, 734; Young Men's Society, 464; Young People's Band, 416; Camp Fire and Woodcraft, 415; Boy's Club, 355; Brotherhood of Andrew and Philip, 325; Girl's Club, 294; E. C. Circle, 290; together with many others of smaller memberships.

MISSIONARY EDUCATION.

A very advanced step has been taken this year by our denomination in the preparation of a graded course of Missionary Instruction for the Bible schools. It is hoped that the carefully prepared report of the Joint Committee will receive the attention of each one.

FIELD WORK.

The demands for the presentation of the work grow constantly. I regret that it has been impossible to meet all the engagements, and that it has been necessary to postpone accepting invitations for several months. There is a splendid spirit among our churches and Bible schools towards the work of Religious Education, and a renewed interest in the progress of the Board which cares for this work.

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Bible Schools	50
Churches	80
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Total	234

CONCLUSION.

The experiences of this year lead to expectations of great things in the year to come. This Department, though now well launched, has just entered upon its widening possibilities.

We thank God for His guidance and look forward to His rich blessing upon all future efforts.

Respectfully submitted,
THEODORE F. BAYLES,
Educational Secretary.

REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE OF THE MISSIONARY EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Adopted April 23, 1917.

This Department, in which the four Mission Boards of the Church co-operate, have been served by Mr. Harry A. Kinports, as secretary, from the time of its inception, almost ten years ago, until December 31, 1916, when Mr. Kinports resigned in order to engage in business. There has been a steady development in the Department from the time it was established as the "Department of Young People's Work," to the present time. From the outset Missionary Education was projected and urged, and many Mission Study Classes were organized in Young People's societies and other organizations as a result of Mr. Kinports' energy and enthusiasm. The approach to the Bible schools, in the effort to secure the adoption of definite methods of missionary instruction, presented many difficulties. Not least among these was the lack of suitable material for making missionary impressions upon young children. Bible Classes and Adult Classes, like Young People's societies, could be led to use the text books published by the Missionary Education Movement and other interdenominational agencies; but there was nothing to offer regularly for use in classes of younger children. This situation led our Missionary Education Department, a few years ago, to publish a quarterly missionary leaflet, which was found to be exceedingly useful in many schools, but which did not find that wide acceptance which its merits deserved. But even this quarterly lesson did not meet the whole need, since it was suited only to intermediate classes, and there was still nothing adequate to offer for the use of primary grades.

The work performed by Mr. Kinports, both by correspondence and by visitation of the Bible schools has prepared the way, it is believed, for a definite graded course of lessons adapted to the use of all of our Bible schools in all of their

departments. When, therefore, the resignation of Mr. Kinports made it necessary for the committee in charge of the Department to plan for its continuance without his leadership and personality, it was decided to concentrate effort, for the time being, upon the production of such a graded course of lessons. The committee has been at work upon the matter for some months and is now able to announce that some of the new material will be available by November 1, so that our Bible schools may begin to put the courses in operation not later than January, 1918.

The material in preparation, or which is projected for production in the near future, comprises the following:

1. FOR PRIMARY GRADES.

A two years' course of simple, illustrated lessons; one for each Sunday and each planned to take not more than five minutes. Included will be simple material for each child to take home. All material is being planned to give the child impressions of the love, the service, the prayer and the sacrifice involved in the missionary motive.

2. FOR INTERMEDIATE AND JUNIOR CLASSES.

A two years' course of monthly missionary lessons, each planned to take not more than fifteen minutes. These lessons will take the form of travelogues to home and foreign mission fields. The lessons will be supplemented by charts or posters, and by a Missionary Catechism which may be used independently of the monthly lessons if desired.

3. FOR SENIOR OR ADULT CLASSES.

The Committee plans the preparation of two books, one devoted to Domestic Missions and one to Foreign. These are designed to cover the present missionary operation of the Reformed Church in a manner at once readable, informing and inspirational. The two books will be adapted for a flexible method of use in classes or societies. Each will contain probably eight chapters, providing practical division into

eight lessons, if desired. The books will be supplemented by the reports and other publications of the several Boards.

It is designed that all of the courses shall promote habits of individual systematic giving by the scholars; and the Missionary Education Department will urge the adoption by all Bible schools of systematic, weekly missionary offerings by means of the Duplex Envelope or some other approved method.

In the work of planning for this forward step in the production of missionary educational material for use in Bible schools, the Joint Committee of the Mission Boards has had the advantage of the constant advice and counsel of the Educational Secretary of the Board of Publication and Bible-school Work, who is in hearty sympathy with the movement. It is hoped that a plan may be found whereby that Board will act as the publishing agency for the Missionary Education Department. In any event, arrangements will be made whereby this valuable material will be furnished to our Bible schools at minimum prices, so that none may be barred from its use because of expenses.

The following resolution was adopted, "That it be recommended that all inquiries regarding Missionary Education in Bible Schools and Young People's Societies be addressed to Rev. Theodore F. Bayles, Educational Secretary of the Board of Publication and Bible-school Work, who may refer them when desirable or necessary to the Board specially concerned."

DONATIONS

- 40 Hymns of W. and S. Knapp Rd. Chapel, Grand Rapids.
 75 Testaments Annville (Ky.) Church.
 50 Sunday-school Hymnal Williamson (N. Y.) School.
 35 Hymns of W. and S. Beverly, Grand Rapids, Church.
 Banner, Pennant Hope College.
 50 Gospel Hymns 1-6 Strasburg (N. D.) Church.
 25 Gospel Hymns 1-6 (partial) .. Mt. Greenwood (Ill.) Church.
 36 Alleluia Pleasant Prairie Academy.
 45 Sunday-school Hymnal N. W. Classical Academy.
 25 Sunday-school Hymnal Classical Missionary.
 Bible-school Helps Dashville (N. Y.) School.
 Bible-school Helps Winnebago Mission.
 Bible-school Helps Italian Miss., Hackensack, N. J.
 Bible-school Helps Dulce (N. M.) Mission.
 50 Hymns of W. and S. American, Hull (Ia.) Church.
 250 Hymns of W. and S. (Chapel) Trinity, Grand Rapids, Church.
 60 Liturgy and Psalter Elmsford (N. Y.) Church.
 75 Library Books | White Tail Canyon (N. M.) Mis.
 50 Hymns of W. and S. |
 100 Hymnary (rebound) Central Ave., Jersey City, Church.
 200 Hymns of W. and S. Fulton (Ill.) Church.
 100 Books Beardslee Mem. Lib., Holl, Mich.
 365 Year Book Classical Missionaries.
 75 Hymns of W. and S. (Chapel) Zion, Grand Rapids, Church.
 60 Hymns of W. and S. 3rd Muskegon (Mich.) Church.
 30 Liturgy and Psalter Sammonsville (N. Y.) Mission.
 75 Hymns of W. and S. (Chapel) Highwood (N. J.) Church.
 150 Liturgy and Psalter Calvary, Grand Rapids, Church.

CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED MAY 1, 1916, TO APRIL 30, 1917

CHURCHES, MISSION SOCIETIES, ETC.

CLASSIS OF ALBANY.

Albany, 1st	\$25 00
Albany, 6th	14 56
Albany, Madison Square	10 00
Delmar, 2nd Bethlehem	2 50
Clarksville	31
New Baltimore	2 47
New Salem	30
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	\$55 14

CLASSIS OF GERMANIA.

Chancellor	\$1 00
Clara City, Bethany ..	10 00
Dempster	4 00
Davis, Bethel	2 00
Logan, Dell Rapids ..	5 00
Salem, Little Rock ..	5 00
Sioux Falls, Bethel..	3 00
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	\$30 00

CLASSIS OF BERGEN.

Closter	\$5 00
Dumont, Schraalen- burgh	3 05
Harrington Park	5 00
Hackensack, Italian...	3 00
Highwood	2 00
Westwood	21 95
Mission Society, 1st Hackensack	10 00
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	\$50 00

SOUTH CLASSIS OF BERGEN.

Bayonne, 1st	\$17 50
Bayonne, 5th Street ..	38 31
Jersey City, Bergen ..	36 16
Jersey City, 1st Van Vorst	2 00
Jersey City, 1st Ger- man Evangelical ..	5 00
Jersey City, Lafayette	15 07
Jersey City, Faith ..	5 00
C. E. Society, 1st Bay- onne	10 00
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	\$129 04

CLASSIS OF THE CASCADES.

Manhattan	\$3 35
Montana, 1st	5 50
North Yakima	5 00
Oak Harbor	5 00
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	\$18 85

CLASSIS OF DAKOTA.

Corsica	\$3 50
Lakeview	1 00
Maurice, American ..	11 60
Monroe, Sandham Mem.	5 00
Orange City	24 50
Platte, Charles Mix...	5 00
Springfield	17 85
Strasburg	5 00
Westfield	19 36
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	\$92 81

CLASSIS OF GRAND RIVER.

Byron Center	\$5 66
Central Lake, Atwood	3 72
Coopersville	2 00
Decatur	2 00
Fremont	6 12
Grand Rapids, 3rd	5 00
Grand Rapids, 4th	20 00
Grand Rapids, 5th	14 13
Grand Rapids, 6th	5 00
Grand Rapids, 7th	3 00
Grand Rapids, 9th	3 18
Kalamazoo, 1st	5 00
Kalamazoo, 4th	90
Kalamazoo, Twin Lakes	3 50
Lamont	4 50
Muskegon, 3rd	3 00
New Era	2 00
Portage	4 44
Spring Lake	4 30
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	\$97 45

CLASSIS OF GREENE.

Athens	\$10 00
Catskill	17 24
Coxsackie, 1st	11 68
Coxsackie, 2nd	2 99
Kiskatom	2 00
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	\$43 91

CLASSIS OF HOLLAND.

Beaverdam	\$3 00
Cleveland, 2nd Calvary	7 59
Hamilton, 1st	8 00
Holland, 1st	3 12
Holland, 3rd	7 60
Holland, 4th	2 00
Holland, Ebenezer	7 40
Jamestown, 1st Hud- sonville	11 25
Jamestown, 2nd	3 00
North Holland	21 75
South Blendon	4 44
Vriesland	8 60
Zeeland, 1st	15 00
Zeeland, 2nd	15 00
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	\$117 75

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CLASSIS OF HUDSON.

Claverack	\$4 87
Germantown	2 00
Greenport	5 08
Hudson	12 10
Hudson, Magyar	1 00
Philmont	16 14
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	\$41 19

CLASSIS OF ILLINOIS.

Chicago, Bethany	\$5 00
Chicago, Emmanuel ..	10 00
Chicago, Trinity	3 83
Fairview	2 00
Spring Lake, Manito..	1 00
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	\$21 83

CLASSIS OF IOWA.

Alvord	\$1 25
Archer	5 00
Boyd	15 20
Chandler	2 00
Doon, 1st	4 94
Edgerton	5 95
Holland	20 81
Hospers, Newkirk ...	5 00
Hull	21 04
Ireton	3 15
Leota, Bethel	10 50
Matlock	3 41
Maurice	23 61
Middleburg, Free Grace	10 00
Orange City, 1st	10 00
Rock Valley	9 78
Rock Valley, Carmel ..	19 23
Rock Rapids	2 13
Roseland	14 45
Sanborn	7 35
Sandstone, 1st	3 00
Sheldon	10 00
Silver Creek, Maple Lake	4 80
Sioux Center, 1st	29 65
Sioux Center, Central	
2nd	31 76
Steen	9 35
Volga	3 40
Jr. Catechumens, Alton	4 00
Catechumens, Prairie View, Luctor	5 41
Mission Society, Pella, Neb.	12 47
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	\$308 64

CLASSIS OF KINGSTON.

Accord, Rochester	\$2 50
Bloomington, Bloom- ingdale	8 80
High Falls, Clove	93
Hurley	6 00
Kingston, Fair Street	4 45
Lyonsville, Stone Ridge	1 00
Marbletown, Stone Ridge	2 66
New Paltz	20 55
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	\$46 89

NORTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND.

Brooklyn, South Bush- wick	\$13 46
College Point	63 34
Elmhurst, German	5 00
Elmhurst, Newtown ..	13 50
Far Rockaway, German	5 00
Glen Head, Oyster Bay	10 00
Jamaica, 1st	40 20
Long Island City, 1st..	2 50
Long Island City, Sun- nyside	1 00
Manhasset, No. Hemp- stead	10 00
Queens	5 00
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	\$169 00

SOUTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND.

Brooklyn, Bethany ...	\$2 96
Brooklyn, Church on the Heights ..	11 36
Brooklyn, Canarsie ..	5 00
Brooklyn, Flatbush 1st	35 58
Brooklyn, Flatlands ..	16 80
Brooklyn, Grace	10 25
Brooklyn, New Utrecht	10 00
Brooklyn, Ocean Hill..	4 09
Brooklyn, Mission So- ciety, Bethany	5 00
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	\$101 04

CLASSIS OF MICHIGAN.

Grand Haven, 2nd	\$5 00
Grand Rapids, 2nd	13 36
Grand Rapids, Calvary	5 00
Grand Rapids, Imman- uel	15 00
Grand Rapids, Trinity.	4 00
Holland, Hope	25 00
Holland, Trinity	6 52
Kalamazoo, 2nd	5 00
Kalamazoo, N. Park St.	6 42
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	\$85 30

CLASSIS OF MONMOUTH.

Asbury Park	\$1 05
Colts Neck	6 00
Freehold, 1st	8 32
Freehold, 2nd	20 72
Keyport	3 00
Red Bank	7 62
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	\$46 71

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY.

Amsterdam, 1st	\$6 34
Amsterdam, Trinity ..	4 61
Auriesville	4 32
Canajoharie	9 63
Currytown	5 75
Fonda	6 00
Fultonville	8 00
Hagaman	15 56
Herkimer	17 28
Lodi	5 00
Owasco	1 25

St. Johnsville	5 00
Sammons ville	3 00
Sprakers	3 23
Syracuse, 1st	5 50
Syracuse, 2nd	5 00
Utica	3 38
Young People's Society, West Leyden	2 00
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	\$110 85

CLASSIS OF NEWARK.

Belleville	\$24 52
Linden	2 00
Montclair Heights	10 00
Newark, Clinton Ave..	39 85
Newark, North	20 93
Newark, Trinity	3 59
Nutley, Franklin	6 93
Orange, Hyde Park..	9 83
Plainfield, German	1 00
Plainfield, Trinity	3 40
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	\$122 05

CLASSIS OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

Bound Brook	\$9 45
Griggstown	6 34
Millstone, Hillsborough	33 36
New Brunswick, 1st ..	12 00
New Brunswick, 2nd..	15 00
New Brunswick, Suy- dam St.	12 80
Perth Amboy	2 00
Spotswood	5 00
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	\$95 95

CLASSIS OF NEW YORK.

68th St., German	\$3 00
Anderson Memorial ..	2 62
Bethany Memorial	5 00
Brighton Heights	20 00
Collegiate	200 47
Comforter	16 42
Elmendorf Chapel	17 92
Fordham	7 00
Fourth German	20 00
Hamilton Grange	19 60
Harlem	15 83
High Bridge	4 45
Knox Memorial	20 00
Mott Haven	17 07
Melrose, German	3 00
Port Richmond	34 15
Zion, German Evangel.	5 00
West Farms	2 55
Mission Society, 34th St.	5 00
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	\$419 08

CLASSIS OF ORANGE.

Ellenville	\$31 00
Grahamsville	2 00
Montgomery	6 75
New Hurley, Gardiner	10 00
Port Jervis, Deer Park	4 00
Wallkill	4 54
Wallkill, Shawangunk	3 55
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	\$61 84

CLASSIS OF PALISADES.

Coytesville	\$2 93
Jersey City, Central Ave.	9 73
New Durham, Grove ..	50 00
North Bergen	5 00
W. New York, Trinity	2 00
Woodcliff	5 70
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	\$75 36

CLASSIS OF PARAMUS.

Athenia, Centerville ..	\$3 46
Clifton, Holland	5 00
Ho-Ho-Kus	2 00
Passaic, Acquackan- onck	29 63
Passaic, Holland, 1st..	5 00
Passaic, North	7 84
Paterson, 2nd	20 00
Paterson, Covenant ..	5 44
Piermont	5 00
Warwick	15 25
Wortendyke, 1st	11 40
Upper Ridgewood Soc'y	3 00
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	\$113 02

CLASSIS OF PASSAIC.

Fairfield	\$1 15
Little Falls, 1st	7 72
Little Falls, 2nd	4 00
Mountain Lakes	5 00
Paterson, 1st Totowa.	10 00
Paterson, 6th Holland.	8 69
Paterson, Riverside ..	2 00
Paterson, Union	10 00
Wyckoff	1 82
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	\$50 38

CLASSIS OF PELLA.

Leighton, Ebenezer ..	\$8 90
New Sharon, 1st	7 80
Oskaloosa	3 33
Otley	17 00
Pella, 2nd	10 00
Pella, Bethel	6 00
Prairie City	2 31
Sully, 1st	15 22
Sully, Bethany	11 22
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	\$81 78

CLASSIS OF PHILADELPHIA.

Addisville	\$2 90
Blawenburgh	2 58
Philadelphia, 4th	9 04
Three Bridges	1 02
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	\$15 54

CLASSIS OF PLEASANT
PRAIRIE.

Alexander	\$1 34
Aplington	7 25
Bristow	1 00
Buffalo Center	5 00
Chapin, Zion	2 00

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Fairview	1 00
Forreston	10 00
German Valley, Silver Creek	5 00
Kings, Elim	4 00
Meservey	6 00
Oregon, Ebenezer	10 00
Parkersburg	10 00
Pekin, 2nd	10 00
Stout	7 17
Titonka, Ramsay	5 00
Wellsburg	10 00
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	\$94 76

CLASSIS OF POUGHKEEPSIE.

Hopewell	\$16 08
New Hackensack	9 75
Poughkeepsie	15 32
Rhinebeck	5 00
Upper Red Hook	2 72
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	\$48 87

CLASSIS OF RARITAN.

Bedminster	\$43 91
High Bridge	4 36
Lebanon	4 57
North Branch	5 55
Peapack	1 74
Raritan, 2nd Somerville	59 61
Raritan, 3rd	3 80
Readington	5 88
South Branch	1 49
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	\$130 91

CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER.

Blooming Grove	\$3 50
Castleton	5 00
Chatham	11 00
Ghent, 1st	1 00
Greenbush	5 00
Rensselaer	3 00
Stuyvesant	1 00
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	\$29 50

CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER.

Clymer, Abbe	\$5 00
Clymerhill	1 13
East Williamson	2 00
Marion, 1st	5 26
Marion, 2nd	12 96
Rochester, 2nd	2 66
Rochester, Brighton	2 93
Williamson	4 00
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	\$35 94

CLASSIS OF SARATOGA.

Boght	\$1 00
Cohoes	6 00
Gansevoort	2 00
Greenwich	7 64
Northumberland	6 26
Schaghticoke	1 62
Watervliet, West Troy No.	5 10
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	\$29 62

CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.

Altamont	\$2 73
Niskayuna	5 00
Schenectady, Mount Pleasant	3 00
Scotia	5 00
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	\$15 73

CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE.

Cobleskill	\$2 38
Howe's Cave, 1st	2 72
Howe's Cave, 2nd	1 00
Middleburgh	12 00
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	\$18 10

CLASSIS OF ULSTER.

Kingston, 1st	\$30 38
Plattekill	8 34
Saugerties	10 00
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	\$48 72

CLASSIS OF WESTCHESTER.

Elmsford, Greenburgh.	\$17 00
Mt. Vernon	4 10
Montrose, Cortlandtown	10 00
Peekskill, 1st	5 46
Yonkers, Park Hill ..	6 40
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	\$42 96

CLASSIS OF WISCONSIN.

Alto	\$5 00
Baldwin	13 70
Cedar Grove	10 00
Chicago, 1st	5 00
Chicago, Englewood, 1st	5 00
Chicago, Englewood, 2nd	11 25
Chicago, Gano	8 00
Danforth	5 07
Erie, Newton	4 31
Friesland	8 00
Fulton, 1st	12 55
Fulton, 2nd	1 95
Hingham	12 90
Indianapolis	1 50
Lafayette	6 95
Lansing	13 00
Milwaukee, 1st	9 00
Oostburg	8 64
Preston, Greenleafston.	10 00
Randolph, 2nd	1 78
Sheboygan, Hope	3 65
Sheboygan Falls	4 50
South Holland	5 00
Spring Valley	5 84
Thayer, DeMotte	5 11
Waupun	23 03
Wichert, St. Anne	5 16
Sheboygan Falls, Gibbsville C. E. Society	8 00
Summit, C. E. Society	3 00
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	\$216 89

BIBLE SCHOOLS.

CLASSIS OF ALBANY.

Albany, 5th Holland..	\$5 74
Albany, 6th	5 00
Coeymans	10 00
New Salem	5 57
Westerlo	3 00
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	\$24 31

CLASSIS OF BERGEN.

Dumont, Schraalen- burgh	\$10 00
Closter	5 00
Hackensack, 3rd	2 00
Harrington Park	5 00
North Hackensack ...	12 89
Rochelle Park	3 50
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	\$38 39

CLASSIS OF SOUTH BERGEN.

Bayonne, 5th Street..	\$10 00
Jersey City, 1st Van Vorst	5 45
Jersey City, 2nd	10 00
Jersey City, Greenville	5 00
Jersey City, Lafayette	13 37
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CLASSIS OF DAKOTA.

Corsica	\$4 00
Grand View	4 00
Springfield	10 00
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	\$18 00

CLASSIS OF GERMANIA.

Davis	\$1 50
Dempster	3 66
Lennox, 2nd	4 68
Little Rock, Salem ..	9 60
Monroe	8 60
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CLASSIS OF GRAND RIVER.

Grandville	\$4 01
Detroit, 1st Holland ..	5 00
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	\$9 01

CLASSIS OF GREENE.

Catskill	\$23 52
Coxsackie, 1st	3 00
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	\$26 52

CLASSIS OF HOLLAND.

Beaverdam	\$2 10
Hamilton, 1st	10 56
Holland, 1st	5 00
Holland, 3rd	2 87
Holland, Ebenezer	3 67

North Blendon	2 00
Three Oaks	2 50
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	\$28 70

CLASSIS OF HUDSON.

Greenport	\$3 50
Hudson	16 95
Linlithgo	2 00
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	\$22 45

CLASSIS OF ILLINOIS.

Chicago, Norwood Park	\$16 32
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CLASSIS OF IOWA.

Hospers	\$11 15
Prairie View	7 30
Rock Valley	5 57
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	\$24 02

CLASSIS OF KINGSTON.

Accord, Rochester	\$1 47
Bloomington, Bloom- ingdale	5 90
Gardiner	2 42
Libertyville	2 00
New Paltz, Middletown	50
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	\$12 29

NORTH CLASSIS OF LONG
ISLAND.

Brooklyn, Kent St. ...	\$2 45
Brooklyn, St. Peters..	2 59
Brooklyn, South Bush- wick	13 05
Astoria, German 2nd ..	2 00
College Point	15 30
Elmhurst, Newtown ..	5 00
Flushing	5 00
Little Neck	9 26
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	\$54 65

SOUTH CLASSIS OF LONG
ISLAND.

Brooklyn, Gravesend..	\$5 00
Brooklyn, Greenwood Heights	10 00
Brooklyn, Flatbush 2nd	2 00
Brooklyn, Herkimer St.	3 48
Brooklyn, New Utrecht	10 00
Brooklyn, Ocean Hill..	2 00
Brooklyn, South	15 00
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	\$47 48

CLASSIS OF MICHIGAN.

Grand Rapids, 1st	\$3 87
Grand Rapids, Bethany	7 14
Hamilton, American ..	6 25
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	\$17 26

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CLASSIS OF MONMOUTH.

Holmdel	\$3 40
Middletown	6 90
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	\$10 30

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY.

Amsterdam, 1st	\$7 34
Aurlesville	8 65
Currytown	5 00
Ephratah	2 00
Fort Plain	9 62
Johnstown	4 50
Owasco,	1 25
St. Johnsville	1 50
Sprakers	1 00
Stone Arabia	2 00
Syracuse, 2nd	3 50
Thousand Islands,	
Alexandria Bay	2 00
Utica	8 62
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	\$56 98

CLASSIS OF NEWARK.

Irvington, 2nd	\$8 84
Newark, Clinton Ave..	21 83
Newark, Trinity	2 00
Plainfield, Trinity	10 00
Plainfield, Netherwood	10 20
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	\$52 87

CLASSIS OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

Bound Brook	\$7 49
East Millstone	11 25
Griggstown	2 78
Millstone, Hillsborough	2 44
Middlebush	4 00
New Brunswick, 1st ..	5 00
New Brunswick, 2nd..	10 00
Rocky Hill	2 50
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	\$45 46

CLASSIS OF NEW YORK.

Brighton Heights	\$3 39
Mariners Harbor	9 00
New York, 34th St...	10 00
New York, Anderson Memorial	5 91
New York, Bethany Memorial	15 00
New York, Hamilton Grange	5 00
New York, High Bridge	8 55
New York, Knox Memorial	5 00
New York, Manor	10 00
New York, Middle Collegiate	11 18
New York, Mott Haven	5 00
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	\$88 03

CLASSIS OF ORANGE.

Newburgh, American..	\$2 50
Wallkill	10 00

Wallkill, Shawangunk	9 92
Woodbourne, Fallsburgh	1 00
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	\$23 42

CLASSIS OF PALISADES.

Jersey City, Central Avenue	\$7 00
New Durham	25 00
North Bergen, German Evangelical	20 00
West Hoboken, 1st ...	10 00
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	\$62 00

CLASSIS OF PARAMUS.

Glen Rock	\$4 05
Hawthorne	5 87
Lodi, 1st	5 00
Monsey, West New Hempstead	5 00
North Paterson	2 21
Park Ridge, Pascack ..	1 00
Passaic, North	19 10
Paterson, Covenant ..	5 00
Piermont	3 00
Mahwah, Ramapo	6 34
Ridgewood	15 00
Ridgewood, Paramus ..	7 38
Tappan	3 00
Warwick	4 18
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CLASSIS OF PASSAIC.

Mountain Lakes	\$15 00
Pompton	8 00
Wanaque	5 00
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CLASSIS OF PELLA.

Pella, 2nd	\$5 00
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CLASSIS OF PHILADELPHIA.

Belle Mead, Pleasant View	\$6 00
Harlingen	1 00
Philadelphia, 1st	13 06
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CLASSIS OF PLEASANT PRAIRIE

Kings, Elim	\$2 00
Meservey	5 00
Peoria	6 94
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CLASSIS OF POUGHKEEPSIE.

Poughkeepsie	\$10 00
Poughkeepsie, Emanuel	2 82
Upper Red Hook	12 17
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CLASSIS OF RARITAN.

Lebanon	\$2 60
North Branch	2 00
Peapack	70
Raritan, 2nd Somerville	10 00
Raritan, 3rd	5 00
Raritan, 4th	5 00
South Branch	2 00
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CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER.

Nassau	\$2 00
Rensselaer	6 90
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	\$8 90

CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER.

Clymerhill	\$5 00
Marion, 1st	2 79
Marion, 2nd	3 98
Palmyra	6 15
Pultneyville	5 20
Sodus	3 20
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	\$26 32

CLASSIS OF SARATOGA.

Schuylerville, Saratoga	\$6 00
Watervliet, West Troy	
North	5 00
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CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.

Lisha's Kill	\$6 85
Niskayuna	5 62
Pattersonville, Rotterdam, 1st	9 38
Schenectady, 1st	11 66
Schenectady, Woodlawn	3 95
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	\$37 46

CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE.

Howes Cave, 2nd	\$1 44
North Blenheim	1 00
Schoharie	9 22
Sharon	10 19
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	\$21 85

CLASSIS OF ULSTER.

Kingston, 1st	\$10 00
Kingston, Comforter.. ..	13 00
Port Ewen	2 60
Saugerties, Flatbush ..	2 60
Ulster Park, Esopus ..	2 10
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	\$30 30

CLASSIS OF WESTCHESTER.

Montrose, Cortlandtown	\$2 81
Peekskill, 1st	90
Tarrytown, 2nd	11 65
Yonkers, Mile Square ..	1 00
Yonkers, Park Hill ..	2 85
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	\$19 21

CLASSIS OF WISCONSIN.

Alto	\$11 58
Oostburg	4 19
Waupun	10 00
Chicago, West Side...	8 70
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	\$34 47

RECAPITULATION.

352 Churches	\$3,256 52
171 Bible Schools	1,145 25
5 Mission Societies ..	35 47
2 Catechumen Classes	9 41
2 C. E. Societies	12 00
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532	\$4,458 65

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

ASSETS	1917	1916	1915	1907
Inventories	\$7,491 77	\$6,254 86	\$5,684 86	\$6,194 94
Furniture and Fixtures ..	207 54	230 60	240 57	321 65
Accounts Receivable	7,187 20	5,555 02	5,683 55	5,077 43
Investments	2,000 00	2,000 00	2,000 00	.....
Special Deposit .....	.....	.....	1,593 96	.....
Presby.-Ref'd Syndicate ..	.....	.....	1,200 00	.....
Intelligencer Pub. Co.	400 00	.....	.....	.....
Cash Balances	3,918 11	6,390 17	3,963 38	.....
	\$21,204 62	\$20,430 65	\$20,366 32	\$11,594 02
LIABILITIES				
Accts. Payable.. \$2,264 10 .....	.....	*5,380 20	†5,315 87	.....
Reserve Funds. 3,890 07	6,154 17	.....	.....	.....
Net Capital	\$15,050 45	\$15,050 45	\$15,050 45	.....

*Including Reserve Fund, \$2,486 87.

†Including Reserve Fund, 2,146 20.

STATEMENT, APRIL 30, 1917

RECEIPTS.

Merchandise Profits	\$11,799 82
Bad Debts	10 50
Discount	95 27
Royalty	8 31
Interest	287 17
Contribution Acct. (Churches, etc.)	3,322 67
Contribution Acct. (Bible Schools)	964 21

DISBURSEMENTS.

Advertising	\$828 90
Com. on Evangelism	57 62
Postage and Expressage	1,675 21
Rent	1,481 00
Salaries	5,890 50
Telephone	71 01
Insurance	42 43
Educational Dept.	3,350 35
Inter-Church Assoc.	25 75
Donation Acct.	1,028 70
Expense Acct.	710 22
Furniture and Fixtures	23 06
Reserve Fund	1,303 20

\$16,487 95 \$16,487 95

TRIAL BALANCE, APRIL, 1917

	DR.	CR.
Capital		\$15,050 45
Discounts		95 27
Contribution Account—		
Churches, etc. 3,322 67		
Bible Schools 964 21	4,286 88	
Interest on Deposits, Lincoln Trust Co.....		84 82
Interest on Investments		202 35
Accounts Payable		2,264 10
Royalty Account		8 31
Net Sales—		
May 1, 1916, to April 30, 1917....		49,231 58
Legacies		300 00
Reserve Fund		2,186 87
Replacement Account (Plates)		100 00
Loss and Gain		10 50
Advertising Account	828 90	
Cash Account	3,918 11	
Com. on Evangelism	57 62	
Donation Account	1,028 70	
Expense	915 03	
Educational Department—		
Expense	559 19	
Salaries	2,505 79	
Traveling	285 37	3,350 35
Furniture and Fixtures	230 60	
Insurance	42 43	
Intelligencer Pub. Co.	400 00	
Mdse. Account—		
To Inventory May 1, 1916.....	6,043 30	
Purchases May 1 to Apr. 30, 1917	38,675 42	44,718 72
Mortgages		2,000 00
Postage and Expressage		1,675 21
Rent		1,481 00
Accounts Receivable	7,187 20	
Telephone	71 01	
Salary Account	5,890 50	
Inter-Church Associations	25 75	
	\$73,821 13	\$73,821 13

TREASURER'S BANK ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS.

1916.			
May 1	Balance Lincoln Trust Co.	\$5,564 99	
May	Deposits	\$2,923 32	
June	"	3,082 44	
July	"	2,963 23	
Aug.	"	2,191 10	
Sept.	"	3,166 38	
Oct.	"	4,557 49	
Nov.	"	4,251 94	
Dec.	"	5,488 55	
1917.			
Jan.	"	7,456 25	
Feb.	"	4,738 53	
Mar.	"	6,083 28	
Apr.	"	8,279 29	
			55,181 80
January to June Interest on Deposits.		51 11	
July to December Interest on Deposits		33 71	
			84 82
			<hr/>
			\$60,831 61

DISBURSEMENTS.

1916.			
May	Drafts	\$3,827 18	
June	"	2,397 99	
July	"	4,775 92	
Aug.	"	3,389 69	
Sept.	"	2,497 87	
Oct.	"	3,820 06	
Nov.	"	6,573 39	
Dec.	"	2,849 37	
1917.			
Jan.	"	7,680 37	
Feb.	"	1,432 19	
Mar.	"	10,765 40	
April	"	6,993 90	
			\$57,003 33
April 30 Balance in Lincoln Trust Co		3,828 28	
			<hr/>
			\$60,831 61

JOHN F. CHAMBERS,
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THE ACTS AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE ONE
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QUOTATIONS OF
MATTERS TO WHICH THE SPECIAL ATTENTION OF
THE CHURCHES IS CALLED BY THE
GENERAL SYNOD.

NEW BRUNSWICK SEMINARY.

Resolved, That Synod heartily commends the work done by the seminary through its professors and outside lecturers and that Synod hereby extends to Prof. Searle its most sincere and heartfelt congratulations over the fact of his completion of twenty-five years of faithful service as Professor.

Resolved, That our churches be urged to continue and increase their generous gifts toward the upkeep of the seminary grounds and property.

WESTERN SEMINARY.

1. That we commend, to the generosity of friends, the Seminary Lecture Course. A little help will go a long way towards securing notable lecturers during the year.

2. That we likewise commend to the whole church the Library Fund for the purchase of new books.

6. That, in view of the increases needed in the Salary Fund, and until the required increases for the Permanent Endowments are secured, the churches are asked to place the Salary Fund in their annual budget or on their list of benevolences.

EDUCATION.

7. That the last Thursday or Sunday of January be observed throughout the Church as a day of Prayer for Schools, Colleges and Seminaries.

13. That all churches be strongly urged to give an annual offering to Hope College.

14. That Synod commends the interest of Central College to all churches, especially to that section which the College will primarily serve.

17. That the Board of Education be recommended to the Churches for at least \$20,000 and that every church be urged to make a strenuous effort to raise its quota towards this amount.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

1. That in view of the satisfactory experience of the past we renew the recommendation that the last Sunday in February be designated for the special presentation of the cause of Foreign Missions in our Churches and in their Sunday Schools.

2. That we continue our approval and recommendation of the Every Member Canvass now in successful use in a large number of our Churches as the best method for enlisting the financial assistance of the entire constituency of our Churches in support of the local Church and the denominational agencies.

3. That in view of the continuance of the conditions and the evident attitude of the Church, the One Day's Income Fund for Missions be continued another year.

4. That as a concrete expression of our resolve and our faith in its achievement we as a Board and as a Church definitely and purposefully undertake to move forward our financial goal from \$325,000 where it has stood since 1914 to \$350,000 as our fair obligation and attainable objective for the coming year.

5. That in view of the response of the Church during the first year of the war and of the plans being adopted by the leading denominations in America looking to a distinct and adequate development of Christian service in our country and in non-Christian lands, we accept for ourselves our part in a general denominational Forward Movement Program for the next five years involving the Board of Foreign Missions in the following:

a. The increase of the workers so that each Mission shall be brought up to its full previous strength as soon as possible and that within the next five years the actual number of missionaries on the field be increased by 10 per cent., involving an estimated average addition of 12 a year.

b. The greater efficiency of our work and the encouragement of the features in each field calling at this time for special effort.

1. *Japan*. Concentration and evangelization.

2. *China*. The evangelization of the North River District Extension.

3. *India*. The support of the Mass Movement looking to the evangelization and education of the people in the villages of our Arcot District.

4. *Arabia*. The new Mesopotamia to the north and the open door to the interior to the west.

c. The better equipment of the institutional work and care of our missionaries by the active support of an approved property list.

d. The adequate maintenance and equipment of the Missions.

1. The adoption of the principle of increasing the appropriations

for work during the next five years at least 10 per cent. a year on each previous year.

2. The definite, progressive increase of the annual budget each year.

3. The aim to be an annual budget of \$500,000 in 1923.

DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

1. That, we bless God for the service we were permitted to render during the past year.

2. That, Synod acknowledge with gratitude its appreciation of the untiring efforts of the officers and members of the Board of Domestic Missions and the Women's Board of Domestic Missions.

3. That, we urge the careful study of the reports of the two Boards now at hand for inspiration and incentive to greater service.

4. That, the Synod approve the joint budget for the ensuing year, viz: \$287,100.00.

5. That, since the call to Home Missions is the call to true patriotism, this Synod pledge unswerving loyalty to the land we love and endeavor by prayer, gifts and by work, to bring it to acknowledge Jesus Christ as Lord.

6. That, the Classical agents strive to their utmost to enlist the co-operation of the churches in the work of the Boards.

7. That, Synod emphatically endorse the program of the Board as outlined in the report given your Committee entitled, a "Five year Fore-Look," and "Suggestions for Wider Service."

8. That, the last Sunday in November be designated as Domestic Mission Sunday, and the churches be urged to observe the week preceding as Home Mission Week.

PUBLICATION.

1. In order to meet the needs of the Board this year, contributions of at least \$20,000 are needed. Churches are urged to generosity toward the Board of Publication and Bible School Work, and Consistories of all churches apportioning the budget of benevolences for the coming year are urged to give this Board five cents of every dollar contributed for benevolences as a fair proportion for use in this work.

2. We recommend that Synod set apart a Sunday for the presentation of the claims of the Board in all our Churches. We recommend that the third Sunday in October be thus set apart and that it be called "Religious Education Day."

4. We recommend the hearty support of our denominational church papers by our entire membership and urge upon the minis-

ters the importance of having at least one of these papers in every home of this congregation as an enlightener on the doctrines, practices and activities of this denomination.

5. We recommend that we co-operate with the denominations making a drive this fall to secure a Teachers' Training Class in every school of the Denomination.

6. We recommend the encouragement of the Young People's Societies to think of these societies as training schools for church activity.

7. We commend the work of the Committee on Evangelism to the generous consideration of the Synod.

WIDOWS' FUND.

Your Committee is convinced that the time has come for a thorough mobilization of our denominational forces in behalf of this most worthy cause. It is highly gratifying that initiatory steps have already been taken in a movement which aims to secure a "*Million Dollar Fund*."

Resolved, That the Ministers and Elders be urged to do all in their power to stir up church members to an earnest and active interest in this matter—that all may come to feel that it is not only an obligation, but a privilege to give generously in this Christ-like work.

2. Resolved, *That to a man*, we shall stand back of the proposed movement aiming to secure a sound and adequate financial basis for these funds, and that we shall give to the men who may be chosen leaders in this great work our loyal and enthusiastic support.

3. Resolved, that the General Synod makes grateful acknowledgment of the faithful and efficient services rendered by the Rev. Denis Wortman, D. D., as agent of these funds during the past year. Further, that we express our heartfelt regret that the state of the brother's health is such as to prevent his presence at the meetings of the General Synod and also that we assure him of a large place in our prayer at the throne of grace.

DISABLED MINISTERS' FUND.

We commend this fund to all our churches and *urge* that until the larger plans now under consideration have been matured and developed every possible effort be made to increase this fund.

Resolved, That every Church in our denomination be directed anew to make generous payment into the Treasury for this specific purpose.

Resolved, further, that it is unworthy of any Church to call a

minister at a salary of less than \$1,200, and any Church now paying less than \$1,200 should take immediate steps to reach at least that amount.

We gratefully acknowledge the success of Dr. Denis Wortman throughout the years of his service as agent of the Widows' and Disabled Ministers' Funds and assure him of our sympathy in his present illness and our sorrow that he is unable to attend this Synod of 1918.

PENSION FUND.

Without repeating, even in substance, the argument of the joint committee of the last Synod (see 1917 Min., pp. 138-141) as to the *Timeliness*, the *Need* and the feasibility of the overture from the Classis of Poughkeepsie, endorsed by 32 other classes, calling for a Million Dollar Pension Fund, we submit that it is not so much an occasion for rhetoric as it is for action. Therefore,

Resolved, That this Synod appoint a Committee of three, who shall constitute a nucleus of the proposed commission, with power to add to their number and fill vacancies.

Resolved, That upon the men so appointed, shall be laid the obligation to begin at once, to secure and tabulate all the pertinent facts needed for intelligent and efficient action, and then to launch an educational campaign, and proceed, at the earliest possible date to provide an adequate pension system, for the ministers of the Reformed Church in America, and their widows and infant children.

Resolved, That Synod *now* arrange to secure an adequate sum of money, (not less than \$10,000) to be used only so far as necessary, to meet the expenses of the commission.

Resolved, That Rev. C. P. Case and Mr. John W. Mettlar be nominated as two members of this Committee.

J. E. LYALL, *Chairman,*
For the Committee.

This Report was amended by adding as the third name on this committee that of J. E. Lyall.

WAR SERVICE COMMISSION.

A budget of \$10,000 was deemed necessary for present expenditures and it was resolved to appeal to the churches to contribute that amount during May. A folder telling of the work was printed and sent to all pastors, and to the Classes, inviting their approval and co-operation. The response of the Classes has been quite gen-

eral although the amount thus far received is small. The items of the budget are as follows:

For Camp Upton Inter-Church Chapel Bldg.	\$3,000
For Camp Pastors and maintenance at Camp Merrit.....	2,000
For Camp Pastor at Camp Dix	1,200
For Camp Pastor at Camp Upton.....	1,200
For Camp Pastor at Raritan, N. J., Ordnance Dept.	1,200
For Administration Expenses	500
Incidentals and other Unforeseen Expenses	900
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	\$10,000

All the work of the Commission has been done in active co-operation with other agencies such as the Y. M. C. A., the Red Cross, and the General War-Time Commission of the Churches. The latter organization has been given general oversight in the matter of recommending ministers to the government for chaplaincies, and we have sent a recommendation for each applicant, thus endeavoring to secure the appointment of a proper proportion of Reformed Church chaplains. The number of applications has thus far been below the quota assigned to our Church.

From the General War-Time Commission has come a proposition to make it possible for men in the field who are led to confess Christ to become full members of their home churches by having their confession of faith certified to Pastors and Consistories by Chaplains or other ordained workers, with a statement as to the baptism of the candidates and his participation in the Lord's Supper. We suggest that Synod approve this method of consummating church membership during the continuance of the war that the men who are led to Christ may have the benefit of the interest and prayers of the home church.

We ask, furthermore, that General Synod recognize and consider the work that has been undertaken by the War Time Commission and give it both the official standing as well providing for its continuance and maintenance during the period of the war.

A list of the men and women of our Reformed Church in America, so far as is known, who are doing definite war service is appended to this report.

ARMY AND NAVY CHAPLAINS.

1. Putnam, Rev. John S., Philadelphia, Pa., on the "Seattle," Navy Dept., Washington, D. C.
2. Ossewaarde, Rev. James, Classis Michigan, 21st Infantry, Alcatraz, Cal.

3. Oggel, Rev. M. V., New Paltz, N. Y., 63d Inf., Presidio, Cal.
4. Van Zanten, Rev. John W., Metuchen, N. J. Application pending.
5. Irish, Rev. Edward B., New York. In Chaplain's School, Camp Taylor, Louisville, Ky.
6. Brinckerhoff, Rev. J. H., New Brighton, S. I., Acting Chaplain, Navy.
7. Adams, Rev. Thomas, Harrington Park, N. J. Application pending.
8. Bloom, Rev. Walter S., Garfield, N. J. Application pending.

RED CROSS CHAPLAIN.

1. Prentice, Rev. Sartell, Nyack, N. Y. About to go to France.

CAMP PASTORS.

1. Case, Rev. Dr. Clifford P., Poughkeepsie, N. Y. Camp Merritt, Dumont, N. J.
2. Tilton, Rev. Edgar, Jr., New York. General Hospital, No. 1, Fordham Heights, N. Y.
3. Van der Laan, Mr. W. P., Battle Creek, Mich. Camp Custer.
4. Fisher, Rev. Orville E., Brooklyn, N. Y., U. S. Naval Reserve Base, Bensonhurst, Brooklyn.

Y. M. C. A.

1. Bagoë, Miss Helen, New York. Base Hospital, France.
2. Bird, Rev. Addison C., Poughkeepsie, N. Y. Kelly Field, San Antonio, Texas.
3. Brouwer, Rev. Jacob G., Granville, Mich. Camp McArthur, Waco, Texas.
4. Brown, Rev. J. Alexander, Grand Rapids, Mich. Camp Doniphan, Ft. Sill, Okla.
5. Cobb, Rev. Dr. H. E., New York. Camp Lee, Petersburg, Va.
6. Conger, Rev. Alexander M., New Hackensack, N. Y.
7. Dangremond, Rev. A. C. V., Beacon, N. Y.
8. Duddy, Rev. Frank E., Poughkeepsie, N. Y. France.
9. Gulick, Rev. Chas. W., Dumont, N. J. Camp Mills, Garden City, L. I.
10. Hulst, Rev. George D., Montclair, N. J., Camp Upton, Yaphank, L. I.
11. Jones, Dr. J. Addison, Albany, N. Y. In France.
12. Jonker, Rev. Philip, Hudson, N. Y., Camp Dix, Wrightstown, N. J.

13. Kinports, Mr. Harry A., New York. Camp Lee, Petersburg, Va.
14. Mabon, Rev. Arthur F., New York. France.
15. Murphy, Rev. Harry W., New York. Camp Mills, Garden City, L. I.
16. Pauells, Mr. A. J., Grand Rapids, Mich. Camp McArthur, Waco, Texas.
17. Poppen, Rev. Henry, Holland, Mich. Camp McArthur, Waco, Texas.
18. Ralston, Rev. Edward S., Plainfield, N. J. Fort Sill, Okla.
19. Sizoo, Rev. Joseph, Somerville, N. J. France.
20. Voorhees, Ralph, New York. Camp Merrit, Tenaflly, N. J.
21. Vruwink, Rev. Henry A. Camp Custer, Battle Creek, Mich.
22. Payne, Geo. Hardy, Paterson, N. J.
23. Muste, Rev. C. B., Amsterdam, N. Y.
24. Park, Rev. Chas., D. D., Rutherford, N. J. France
25. Allen, Rev. Henry B., Ridgefield, N. J.
26. Shields, Rev. F. K., New Brunswick, N. J. Raritan Ordnance Dept.
27. Caton, Rev. J. Collings, Paterson, N. J. France.

COMMITTEE ON OVERTURES ON WAR SERVICE.

VII. From the reports of the Reformed Church War Service Commissions, East and West, we learn of the excellent work being done for "our splendid men" in the various camps, by a corps of consecrated men and women. And we also learn of the no less important work of the Commissions in the way of direction and support

Your committee recommends the following resolutions:

1. Resolved, That this General Synod most heartily appreciates, commends, and endorses the work of the "War Service Commission," and of "The Reformed Church War Service Commission for Michigan and Wisconsin," commending these commissions to the most loyal and liberal support of the churches.

2. Resolved, That Synod endorses the plan of the Commissions to enable men in the field to unite with their home churches by means of letters from chaplains and other ordained workers, certifying to confession of faith and baptism—when administered, and advises consistories to enroll such as "received by letter."

BENEVOLENT SOCIETIES.

PROHIBITION.

I. A Message to the President and to the Congress of the United States of America:—

Our Nation has, we profoundly believe, with clean hands and pure heart engaged in conflict for lofty and unselfish ends.

The attainment of those ends demands all the moral powers of our people, the conservation of our economic resources, and the highest efficiency in service.

These powers are impaired, this efficiency is greatly decreased, and our National vitality diminished by the liquor traffic and all its attendant evils, resulting in the waste of food, the waste of labor, and the waste of life itself.

Having duly recognized this in our army and navy by having taken measures to prevent the use of liquor by our troops, we believe that those who remain and serve at home should willingly apply to themselves the same principles which they apply to our soldiers and sailors and should submit to the same limitations for the welfare of the nation.

Therefore, in the interest of those who defend our nation, for the saving of our own supplies of food, for the highest efficiency of the industries which provide our means of warfare, and for the strengthening of the moral health of the people, we earnestly urge the President and the Congress of the United States to take steps to prevent, during the entire period of the war, by whatever means are feasible, the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquor of all kinds for use as a beverage, including the importation of all liquor.

Resolved, That this Synod express its most emphatic and hearty approval of this memorial message of the Churches of the United States as represented in this War-time Commission, and direct that a copy be sent by the Stated Clerk signed by the President and Stated Clerk to the President and Congress of the United States urging their immediate favorable action.

AMERICAN TRACT SOCIETY.

The Synod commends the Tract Society for its generous supply of religious and uplifting reading for our soldiers and sailors, to-talling since the beginning of the World War nearly one and one-half million copies of volumes, booklets and leaflets; and for its missionary colportage, the colporters during the past year having made 146,056 family visits and distributed 49,584 volumes of Christian literature and conducted 3,393 religious meetings; and would

make special mention of its extended work in behalf of Latin America, it having up to date issued and distributed a total of 17,175,163 copies of volumes, tracts and periodicals in the Spanish and Portuguese languages, amounting in value to \$689,582.80.

Resolved therefore, That the Synod reaffirms its former deliverances and commendations of the work of the Tract Society, and urges that its world-wide service be given a larger place in the hearts and gifts of our people, and earnestly requests Pastors and consistories to give the Society a place in their benevolent budget for an annual offering.

CHICAGO TRACT SOCIETY.

It is a great inspiration to read the reports of these men and they contain much food for thought. This band of workers speak an aggregate of 24 languages and use literature in more than 35. This Society has become a powerful Americanizing agent at this present crisis in our National life and history and is therefore doubly deserving our interest and aid.

Being almost entirely dependent upon benevolences of the Christian people, we therefore recommend that the Synod most heartily thank Mr. Wayer for his informing address and urge upon the Church in the west that their liberal support be given.

LORD'S DAY ALLIANCE.

The General Synod of the Reformed Church in America looks with deep anxiety on the growing menace of Sabbath desecration, and realizes in view of the present day conditions that the battle ground of the Churches during the next years will be on the field of the Christian Sabbath; that the enemy is everywhere organized and his mighty drives have begun with greater intensity than ever before and that the Christian Sabbath is threatened with disaster.

In view of such pertinent and vital issues bearing on our Christian Sabbath and having specially brought to our attention a vivid account of the victories and strategic battles of the past year in a stirring and stimulating message by the Rev. Harry L. Bowlby, D. D., General Secretary of the Lord's Day Alliance, we would call upon all our churches to help effectively to answer the urgent S. O. S. Call—Save Our Sabbath. Therefore be it,

Resolved, 1. That in order to make more effective the splendid services of the Lord's Day Alliance of the United States, which organization represents our Church in the department of Sabbath Observance we give our hearty endorsement and recommend that it be continued in the budget of our benevolences of the churches, and that

we invite representatives of the Alliance and affiliated Societies to present the cause to our congregations.

2. That the General Synod reiterates its strong and emphatic disapproval of all secular uses of the Lord's Day, all games and sports, all unnecessary travelling and excursions, and urges upon all employers of labor and captains of industry to recognize the need of the laboring man for his weekly rest day and secure him in this right and thereby insure his larger efficiency and happiness and greater prosperity of both capital and labor.

3. That the General Synod urges on all families not to buy anything on the Sabbath, to plan for their servants on the Sabbath and help them to fulfill their religious duties and to pay laborers so that they may have Saturday afternoon to make provisions for the Sabbath.

4. That we very earnestly and respectfully request the President of the United States, Commander in Chief of the Army and Navy, to take such measures as may be necessary to eliminate all theatrical, vaudeville performances, boxing activities and dancing at our various army and navy posts, believing that they cultivate a taste for Sabbath desecration in our choice young men ready to give up their all upon the altars of sacrifice, and that being out of harmony with the spirit of the Lord's Day, also give aid and comfort to the numerous enemies who would break down the legal safeguards of our Christian Sabbath.

5. That the General Synod again recommend a Sabbath Observance Committee be organized in each Classis, and that this Committee co-operate with similar committees of other denominations within its bound in aiding the work of local Sabbath Associations; and where such organizations do not exist, to promote the organizations of such associations in connection with the State and National organizations.

6. Resolved, That especially owing to the importance of laws enacted at the Capitol of the Nation the following letter be sent to the President of the United States:

President Woodrow Wilson,
Washington, D. C.

Whereas it has come to the knowledge of the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America now assembled in Asbury Park, N. J., that the commissioners of the District of Columbia have taken action authorizing professional baseball on the Lord's Day.

Resolved, That the General Synod hereby records its protest against this action which tends to secularize and commercialize the Lord's Day and we most respectfully and earnestly appeal to the President that he do exercise his high authority in reversing said action of the commissioners of the District of Columbia.

TEMPERANCE AND LORD'S DAY OBSERVANCE.

1. Resolved, That General Synod expresses its hearty sympathy with and approbation of the efforts now being made throughout our country to secure the adoption of an amendment to the Constitution of the United States prohibiting the manufacture and sale of all intoxicating beverages throughout our land, and calls upon the entire membership of our church to work and pray and vote for the success of this great and sorely needed national reform.

2. Resolved, That General Synod endorse and reiterate a recent action of the Classis of New York in regard to the conservation of food and the cessation of the use of all food grains for the manufacture of alcoholic liquors in these words, viz:

We are heartily in favor of food conservation and urge it upon our people, but we note that the manufacture of beer goes on as before, consuming valuable food material, consuming fuel when the supply was inadequate and throwing a burden upon our already over congested railroad facilities. We believe that as a conservation measure, the manufacture of beer and other alcoholic liquors should be entirely stopped, and we memorialize Congress to take appropriate action to this end.

3. Resolved, That General Synod views with great concern the growing disregard of the Lord's Day as a day of rest and worship and its increasing use as a time for mere social life and recreation. We call upon all Christians to remember the absolute need of the Christian Sabbath for the preservation of our national liberties, and morale, and deprecate the use of the day for any form of public amusements and diversions. We recall with gratification the action of the President in issuing a general order restricting to the lowest limits on the Lord's Day the work required of our soldiers and sailors, and invite the Y. M. C. A. and all other similar organizations having the religious and spiritual welfare of our men at heart to unite their efforts with those of all Christians to make the Sabbath Day more than ever a day of real refreshment and strength to the souls as well as to the bodies of those who are facing such serious and strenuous conditions as the defenders of their country. And we urge all Christian men and women to employ the Christian Lord's Day as a most potent help in arousing and maintaining that spirit of Christian loyalty, sacrifice and courage which is no less essential than material preparedness for the successful accomplishment of the great and holy task before us and our allies, in securing a righteous and just peace between all the nations of the earth.

4. Resolved, That the joint recommendations of the Permanent Committee on Temperance and on the Observance of the Lord's Day be approved and adopted and that a Permanent Committee on

Public Morals be appointed in accordance with the above recommendations and suggestions, the same to serve until discharged by General Synod.

AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY.

Recognizing that the Bible is essential to the life of all our churches as well as to our Missions, Home and Foreign, and believing that the production and distribution of the Scriptures is a responsibility in which the Reformed Church in America should share more definitely.

Resolved, (1) That General Synod earnestly endorse the work and efforts of the American Bible Society at home and abroad.

(2) That this basic work of providing and distributing the Holy Scriptures be presented in all our churches, and that regular offerings be taken for its work, adopting as a goal for the Reformed Church in America, a contribution of one cent a member.

(3) That where practicable special offerings for the Army and Navy work be made, that this work may not imperil the resources of the Society for its general work.

NATIVE RACES ANTI-LIQUOR TRAFFIC.

(6) Native Races Anti-Liquor Traffic—In view of the wide spread menace which the liquor traffic brings to the native races and which was so ably presented by the secretary of this Committee, Rev. Hervy Wood, we hereby commend all efforts which are being made to eliminate this growing evil and urge upon all Christians to use every effort to prevent the manufacture of intoxicating liquors at home, so that this greatest hindrance to the spread of civilization and Christianity may be removed.

ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE.

(7) Anti-Saloon League—The chapter of successes of the past year and the optimistic note which was sounded by the Rev. James K. Shields, Superintendent of the New Jersey Anti-Saloon League, gives the Synod cause for rejoicing that the first gleams of the day dawn of a Saloonless Nation appear.

Resolved, That we give our most hearty endorsement of the Anti-Saloon League and urge upon all our Churches to continue its moral and financial support. That wherever our churches are established in States which have not as yet eliminated the saloon, that there shall be a continued insistent appeal to Governors and State Legislatures till the cause be won, and that our members be urged to

vote for only such who are pronounced in their stand on this great moral question.

PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE.

The Committee feels, however, that the time has come for an enlargement of the Every Member Canvass plan. The method of the canvass is sound, definite and direct. In every case where it has been tried it has resulted in increased income, not only for the support of the church but also for benevolences. But the Every Member Canvass plan is simply applying business methods to the church. It has supplied the church with a method of giving, but it has not attempted to say *how much* should be given. We believe that it is generally felt that it is time to put new *content* into this very successful *method*. The Committee therefore proposes to inaugurate during the coming year a campaign for Proportionate Giving.

Proportionate Giving recognizes as its fundamental principle the fact that all that a man possesses belongs to the Lord; that he is a steward and must give a conscientious accounting of his use of his possessions. Moreover, God's ownership and man's stewardship are best recognized by the systematic application of a definite proportion of income to the advancement of the Kingdom, and prayerful and intelligent use of the balance of the income, not thus set aside. Proportionate Giving is simply a recognition of the scriptural injunction: "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store as God has prospered him." (2 Cor. 16:2). In order that one may follow this injunction he needs to take careful account of his gifts for the Lord's work on the basis of a definite proportion of his whole income. One needs to begin by recognizing that all belongs to the Lord, and as an earnest of the whole he will, therefore, set aside a definite *proportion* each week or each month for His work.

Proportionate Giving involves, first, getting at the facts; second, deciding upon a proportion; and, third, some pledge and some organization. It is, therefore, proposed to prepare and distribute to the churches cards, stating the principles of Proportionate Giving, and to solicit in each church the signatures of those who accept and agree to follow these principles. Those who do so are then to be regarded as members of a Fellowship in Proportionate Giving. Similar campaigns to this are being started in other Churches, and the Laymen's Missionary Movement is proposing to give Proportionate Giving a large place in its conventions of next winter.

This proposal is not a money-getting scheme for the Church or the boards, but the Committee desires to make it an effort to rein-

force and more generally to establish a spiritual motive for all giving. It seeks to get each member of the church to consider what he is giving; to teach Christians to put the Kingdom first; and to put giving on a sound and fundamental basis. It is not proposed to add another organization to an already well organized Church, but rather to suggest a platform upon which the whole life of the Church at home and abroad can be based. A careful and systematic inauguration of such a movement as this, will, the Committee believes, make for the deepening of the spiritual life of the Church. The present calls for greater seriousness of purpose in every endeavor of the Church, and this campaign for Proportionate Giving seeks to put the emphasis in money matters where it belongs, on the fundamental ground of God's Sovereignty and man's complete dependence upon Him.

In accordance with direction previously given to this Committee by the General Synod, there is submitted herewith a Budget of the minimum amounts which should be secured during the fiscal year 1918-1919 to carry forward the work of the administrative agencies of the Church:

Foreign Missions	\$350,000 00
Domestic Missions	287,100 00
Board of Education	20,000 00
Publication and Bible School.....	20,000 00
Disabled Ministers'	15,000 00
Widows' Fund	12,000 00
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Total	\$704,100 00

STANDING COMMITTEE ON SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE.

Your Committee presents the following resolutions for your adoption:

First. That the budget for the coming year, be adopted as given in this report.

Second. That this Synod accept the report of the Permanent Committee on Systematic Beneficence, adopting its recommendations with the changes and adaptations hereinafter proposed.

Third: That the Reformed Church in America inaugurate now a campaign for proportionate giving, educational in its aim and method, seeking the voluntary enlistment of pastors and congregations throughout our denomination in the recognition of the spiritual principle of stewardship.

And that the Permanent Committee on Systematic Beneficence

be empowered to prepare to definite statement of the principles of stewardship of proportionate giving for the use of pastors and churches as they may desire.

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE MEMORIAL TO THE GENERAL SYNOD REGARDING A DENOMINATIONAL PROGRAM.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America:

Fathers and Brethren: Your Committee to act upon the Memorial presented by our six boards relative to a Five Year Denominational Program, is impressed by this spectacle of the whole Denomination stepping forward to be counted into the vast enterprises of an aroused world.

We have had forward movements of many sorts in recent years, but never have we had a united and correlated movement of all our Boards and agencies based on a wide Denominational Program. So natural does this plan seem today that we wonder why it has not crystallized before. We note that other denominations are now taking this step or are hard at work prosecuting such plans. The sacrificial spirit of the hour demands unified effort and unified control. The President of the United States, through the Federal Council of Churches, has called every church to raise its power to the very utmost efficiency as a war measure. If we are heedless to this call we shall become very seriously embarrassed and possibly submerged in the surge of high causes, which mark the present hour. Should not enthusiasm for our task, as the Reformed Church in America be equal to that displayed by the Red Cross or the Y. M. C. A.? Both of these agencies in large degree look to the Christian church as their mother.

Shall we seem to live in spite of the war or in the war? Secretary of War Baker's slogan ought to apply with us "In it to win it." We are called to make our contribution as a denomination. It is a most real challenge. Leave it unanswered in this General Synod and we shall not contribute much. We shall discover ourselves "dwelling apart in the peace of our self-content" in the very midst of a threatened world.

We are, therefore, proud when our splendid secretaries re-act as one man to such a world situation and then unite to tell us we as a denomination are drafted into the common cause. Believing in our church we would answer as eager volunteers.

We would, therefore, respectfully recommend:

1. That this plan to promulgate a Five Year Denominational Program be approved with a cheer.
2. That the several Boards concerned, be requested to organize a Joint Committee for five years to prosecute this plan.

3. That this Joint Committee be empowered to employ an Executive Secretary if such a course be deemed wise at any time during the five years.

4. As a concrete expression of what ought to be achieved on the financial side, that General Synod declare its purpose to advance year by year its financial support of its Boards and funds concerned in this Program, so that by 1923, it shall amount to \$1,000,000.

5. That we empower the Joint Committee to adopt some scheme of awarding a suitable service flag or other distinguishing marks in the printed reports of the individual church's work so that the progress of this Program may be adequately visualized for our people and our children.

APPENDIX.

LOCAL CHURCH—FIVE YEAR DENOMINATIONAL PROGRAM.

1. Double Church Membership.
2. One Candidate for Ministry.
3. Efficient Teacher Training Class in S. S.
4. Y. P. Societies True Training Classes for Service.
5. Every Member Canvass and Proportionate Giving Preached from the Pulpit.
6. A Live Men's Missionary Committee.
7. A Live Women's Auxiliary.
8. A Community Church.
9. Pro Rata Giving to All Boards.
10. One-fifth of Members Subscribing to Denominational Weekly.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE OF RELIGION.

Statistics in Church matters are something like the log of a steamship which records the course steered by the compass, the revolutions of the propellers, the weather, the direction and velocity of the winds, and thus affords a rough but far from precise means of estimating progress made from noon to noon. Favoring or adverse breezes and currents, the height of the waves, sometimes lifting the blades of the propeller from water to the air contribute to the indefinite character of the judgment based on the log alone, and this can be corrected into perfect precision only when a cloudless sky makes possible accurate observation of sun or stars; and these days in church life are clouded ones. Statistics and logs are also alike dry reading to him who can not read from them, not definite information, but suggestion helpful at least in guidance of ship or under-

taking. Hence the precedent established in previous reports and followed today in including in this one a brief statistical section.

We have 730 churches, one less than last year.

We have 759 ministers, ten more than last year.

We have 134,039 communicants, 1,877 more than last year.

We have 499 more families, and have received 6,990 on confession, 850 less than last year, our Banner year.

There have been 241 fewer infants, and 379 fewer adults, baptized.

We have 2,636 fewer catechumens reported, 11 fewer Bible Schools, and 174 fewer enrolled in them.

Our gifts have decreased for our own benevolences by \$21,972, no part of this loss falling on our Foreign or Home Missionary work, and for congregational purposes by \$8,882, no part falling we trust on the ministers struggling to live and to be honest in face of the diminishing purchasing power of his few dollars, while for other benevolences the reported increase is \$71,001, while the undoubted actual increase runs into the hundreds of thousands. Our church members have given their splendid war benevolence gifts largely through other channels than the churches.

The total of our money contributions reported is \$2,564,473, which does not include the gifts for congregational purposes of a score or more churches not reporting in this column, including one church of nearly 6,000 members, which contributes more than one-sixth of the whole amount of our benevolent gifts as reported, namely: \$118,978, out of \$741,672. Nor do these columns include the income of a number of endowments, some of these very large, which income is administered chiefly for congregational purposes by our churches.

The gain in membership over all losses is a substantial one. The columns showing small losses are relatively unimportant. Not so however, is the column devoted to catechumens in which there is indicated a falling off of 2636. One wonders how far this is due to facts indicated by the stars on the service flag in so many of our churches. If this does not explain in large part the situation the true causes should be sought with grave concern by the pastors and elders of the churches affected.

The gains in the total of gifts reflects in part increased prosperity in certain quarters, and a larger sense of responsibility in serving the Lord and our fellows as stewards of His good gifts to us. This sense of stewardship thus awakened extraordinarily by the world wide exigency, carefully nourished by intelligent training in the Scriptures of service and sacrifice, may result in a continuous growth in experience of the superior blessedness of giving and in larger achievement through the increased giving of years to come.

Losses and gains that little more than balance each other do not give cause for exultation, and while, in view of the general unsettling of conditions, we perhaps ought to be profoundly thankful that we simply hold our own, we should with prayer and purpose look forward to more persistent and resultful effort in the year that now faces us.

Your Committee feel that if only as a matter of record some note should be taken of the conditions amidst which we are working to-day, as these affect our task on its spiritual side. These new conditions touch us all as individuals at practically every point of contact we have with the world, and with such force as to compel many and constant re-adjustments in purpose and in action. They have by no means been fully developed and our bewildered consciousness of change lags behind the unceasing change itself. Supreme, above the difficulties of re-adjustment in the physical, and the other material sides of life, in habits of food, of clothing, of travel, of commercial and domestic life, loom up the spiritual re-adjustments. This is true for the Christian. The ways of Providence have taken on increased mystery to many believing minds. Every pastor among us knows this, and this is only one illustration of what we mean. And yet for the Christian there is a rock higher than himself and a gracious hand ever outstretched to him to lead him, just as soon as he will consent to be led, to its safety and its calm. Amidst all the chaos of the present time moves, as the eye of faith discerns, a single majestic figure of one who changes not, the same, yesterday, today and forever. We must for our soul's sake, and for our work's sake now, more than ever, keep close to Him. For our work's sake, for all about us are men bewildered as the Christian can never be. Their old ideals of life only a few days ago, so proudly cherished in contrast with the Christian's supposed superstition are gone, the base and terrible fruitage of these being stupendously revealed. They have nothing to guide them, nothing to comfort them. They have caught some vision of the ideal of sacrifice. Something of conviction as to its height and truth had penetrated them. But the real personal source of it all, the power of it, the surpassing, eternal glory of it, they do not yet understand. The welcome given by a sin wearied, disappointed world to the Gospel of the dying, the risen Christ, the Christ who cannot fail, in the third century of our era, awaits the preaching of that Christ today. A tremendous ploughshare is being driven through the field of human life. It turns and over turns. It is burying noxious weeds beyond the possibilities of re-growth. Heart soil is ready every where for the seed of the Kingdom. Shall we sow it? My brethren, pastors, elders, apostles every one, shall we sow it?

J. PRESTON SEARLE.

REPORT OF A SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON LOYALTY
RESOLUTIONS IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE
STANDING COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

The 112th Session of the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America convened at Asbury Park, N. J., June 6 to 12th, 1918, desires to renew its solemn pledge of loyalty to our President, our country and to the righteous and Christian cause for which our Government and her Allies are contending.

Again for ourselves and those whom we represent, we pledge ourselves, our resources, and our prayers.

The many ministers from our Churches, and the thousands of our own sons already in the Service, are an earnest of the larger sacrifice from which we will not shrink should the necessity arise.

RESOLVED,—That this statement of loyalty be communicated to the President of the United States by our President of Synod, and also that it be published in the *Intelligencer*, *De Hope*, the *Leader* and *Mit Arbeiter*, and that it be read from all our pulpits on Sunday, June 30th, 1918.

The letter embodying the pledge of loyalty was sent to President Wilson, and the following reply was received:

The White House, Washington, June 13, 1918.

My Dear Dr. Blekkink:

The President has received your letter of June 11th, and asks me to assure you and all concerned of his deep appreciation of these expressions of confidence and good will. He is very grateful to you for your pledge of support.

Sincerely Yours,

J. P. TUMULTY,
Secretary to the President.

Rev. E. J. Blekkink,
President, General Synod,
Reformed Church in America,
Asbury Park, N. J

A LETTER OF APPEAL TO THE CHURCHES BY THE PRESIDENT OF GENERAL SYNOD

(See *Minutes of General Synod 1918*, p. 415.)

TO THE MINISTERS, OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE REFORMED CHURCH
IN AMERICA.

Beloved in Christ, Greeting:

The General Synod of the Reformed Church, at its meeting in June, 1918, at Asbury Park, N. J., commissioned the President of Synod to direct a letter to the churches on the Present Need of Men for the Gospel Ministry.

In obedience to that command we address ourselves to you.

We profoundly appreciate the importance of the subject under consideration and the obligation the Synod has laid upon its servant.

The statement requires neither argument nor defence when we affirm that the greatest need of every community, the nations and the world is an honest, well-trained, consecrated and efficient gospel ministry. The minister is a specialist in the community on the knowledge of God and the way of salvation for man from sin and death to life eternal as the physician is on the healing of the body and general physical well-being. In the prayer the Saviour taught us He placed the needs of the Kingdom before that of daily bread.

Sometime ago a layman, referring to an existing vacancy in the church to which he belongs, in accents that rang with deepest sincerity, said: "A good minister is such a great blessing for the people." We are confident that he expressed the feeling and attitude of believers everywhere. What would our communities be without the Church and her ministry and what would become of ourselves and our children if these helps were suddenly and permanently taken from us?

While at all times there is need on the part of the Church to be deeply concerned as to the future supply of ministers for the Church, the Army, the Navy and the Domestic and Foreign Missionary work, the days in which we are living make it imperative. No institutions in the country are more seriously depleted in numbers, by reason of the war, than the theological seminaries. Recent statistics show that where there were formerly enrolled about 4,500 there are now less than 2,500.

Our own seminaries share in their loss. Of the young men that have left Rutgers, Hope and Central College and the New Brunswick and Western Seminaries, who, to their praise and our glory, are wearing the uniform, a large number were in preparation for the

gospel ministry. How many of these will return to us God only knows.

With such a decrease of prospective ministers in the schools and with more than fifty vacant churches in a single Synod, it can easily be seen that, unless some provision is speedily made, there will be a great increase of pastorless churches, communities without preachers and the foreign and domestic missionary work come to a standstill.

Although the Lord alone calls men into the ministry and must qualify them for the work, it takes the Church a number of years to do her part to prepare men for their service.

1. We, therefore, appeal to the churches, that earnest and constant prayer be made to God for an adequate supply of ministers. Doing this we shall be following the directions of Christ, to meet our present need, when He said: "The harvest is plenteous, but the laborers are few: pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that He send forth laborers into His harvest."

2. We appeal to pastors, elders, deacons and Sunday-school superintendents to present the claims of the ministry to gifted and consecrated young men, and if there is a favorable response to open at once ways for their training.

3. We appeal to our young people to urge upon those among their number who, in their judgment, seem to possess intellectual and spiritual qualities that might fit them for the ministry, the claims of Christ.

4. We appeal to the Christian young man and boy, who is seriously thinking about a choice of occupation, to consider the call to the gospel ministry before he decides in favor of another.

5. We appeal to the fathers and mothers of our churches that they dedicate all their children to service in the Kingdom, and in particular their sons to the gospel ministry, if it please God to place them in that position.

6. We appeal for prayer to God for the young men, who have been called into government service that their lives may be precious in His sight, that their purpose of entering the ministry may be deepened and strengthened, and that the time may not be far off when they shall be able to resume their studies in the various schools.

Yours in the love and service of Christ,

E. J. BLEKKINK,
President of General Synod.

Holland, Mich., August 3, 1918.

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ACTS AND PROCEEDINGS.

THE ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH GENERAL SYNOD OF THE REFORMED CHURCH IN AMERICA CONVENED IN REGULAR SESSION IN THE GRAND AVENUE REFORMED CHURCH OF ASBURY PARK, N. J., ON THURSDAY, THE SIXTH DAY OF JUNE, ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND EIGHTEEN, AT TWO-THIRTY O'CLOCK, P. M., AND ADJOURNED ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE TWELFTH AT THE NOON HOUR.

FORMATION OF SYNOD.

ARTICLE I.

OPENING OF THE SYNOD.

The Synod was called to order by the President, the Rev. J. Preston Searle, D. D., who called upon the Rev. C. D. F. Steinführer to offer prayer. Dr. Searle presided until the close of the afternoon session and preached the synodical sermon at the evening service from the text Rom. I:1 "a servant of Jesus Christ."

ARTICLE II.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

PARTICULAR SYNOD OF NEW YORK.

CLASSIS OF HUDSON—*Ministers*, Revs. M. J. Den Herder, E. T. F. Randolph. *Elder*, J. H. Walker.

CLASSIS OF KINGSTON—*Ministers*, Revs. H. D. Frost, G. C. Dangremond. *Elders*, Benj. F. Dunn, Moses S. Davis.

NORTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND—*Minister*, Rev. C. D. F. Steinfuhrer. *Elders*, E. Covert Hulst, William A. Cole.

SOUTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND—*Ministers*, Revs. Andrew Hageman, O. E. Fisher, John G. Addy. *Elders*, George W. Pool, Charles W. Osborne, George Tiffany, Dr. Cornelius.

CLASSIS OF NEW YORK—*Ministers*, Revs. Irving Husted Berg, Winifred R. Ackert, William E. Compton, Charles Nietzer. *Elders*, John M. Kyle, Jacob Schaus, William E. Reed, W. M. Beekman.

CLASSIS OF ORANGE—*Ministers*, Revs. William Colden, J. E. Straub, Willard Conger. *Elders*, George W. Decker, Edward Hahn, C. E. Cuddeback.

CLASSIS OF POUGHKEEPSIE—*Ministers*, Revs. J. E. Lyall, Ernest Clapp. *Elder*, C. B. Reardon.

CLASSIS OF WESTCHESTER—*Ministers*, Revs. Claus Olandt, John S. Allen, James Mulder. *Elders*, A. P. Marennes, J. P. Radcliff, Jr.

PARTICULAR SYNOD OF ALBANY.

CLASSIS OF ALBANY—*Ministers*, Revs. Frank F. Blessing, John B. Steketee, Donald Boyce. *Elders*, Walter R. Marden, Alexander Flansburg, Albert Carl.

CLASSIS OF GREENE—*Ministers*, Revs. Charles F. Stube, J. H. Heinrichs. *Elders*, George M. Seward, Mead W. Sayer.

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY—*Ministers*, Revs. C. Fred Benjamin, Jr., Rev. Louis H. Holden. *Elders*, A. H. Houghton, Floyd E. Ecker, E. W. Abell.

CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER—*Ministers*, Revs. W. J. Leggett, John Black. *Elder*, F. M. Niver.

CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER—*Ministers*, Revs. D. L. Betten, S. M. Hogenboom, A. Stegenga. *Elders*, A. J. Lacknor, Albert Bush, C. J. Broers.

CLASSIS OF SARATOGA—*Minister*, Rev. P. T. Phelps.

CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY—*Ministers*, Revs. J. O. Van

Fleet, H. C. Willoughby, George W. Furbeck. *Elders*, J. Alvin Ostrom, Richard J. Tongue, A. F. Dietz.

CLASSIS OF SCHOILARIE—*Ministers*, Revs. J. H. Brandow, George Z. Collier. *Elder*, W. E. Bassler.

CLASSIS OF ULSTER—*Ministers*, H. W. Brink, J. L. Leeper. *Elders*, Clarence P. Hendricks, Daniel York.

PARTICULAR SYNOD OF CHICAGO.

CLASSIS OF CASCADES—*Minister*, Rev. B. Van Heuvelen.

CLASSIS OF CHICAGO—*Ministers*, Revs. W. J. Dukier, H. Schipper, William Van Vliet. *Elders*, R. A. Van den Burg, John Sietsma, P. K. Dame.

CLASSIS OF DAKOTA—*Minister*, Rev. G. Menning. *Elders*, J. H. Heemeyer, K. F. Wymia.

CLASSIS OF GERMANIA—*Minister*, Rev. H. J. Potgeter.

CLASSIS OF GRAND RIVER—*Ministers*, Revs. J. Luxen, A. J. Van den Heuvel. *Elders*, H. Gunneman, J. Damstra, P. J. Hoekzema.

CLASSIS OF HOLLAND—*Ministers*, Revs. S. Van Der Werf, A. H. Strabbing, J. W. Te Paske. *Elders*, J. Schippers, G. Yntema.

CLASSIS OF ILLINOIS—*Ministers*, Revs. Theodore Shafer, Jerry P. Winter.

CLASSIS OF IOWA—*Ministers*, Revs. S. J. Menning, William Rottschaefer, P. A. J. Bouma. *Elders*, A. Haze, A. J. Knol, Labbertus Mol.

CLASSIS OF MICHIGAN—*Ministers*, Revs. Isaac Van Westenberg, James Wayer, Arend J. Te Paske. *Elders*, A. J. Bazuin, C. N. Addison, W. M. Brilstra.

CLASSIS OF PELLA—*Ministers*, Revs. Peter Braak, M. J. Hoffman. *Elders*, Dielis A. Van Zante, Ike Baarde.

CLASSIS OF PLEASANT PRAIRIE—*Minister*, Rev. H. Pannukuk.

CLASSIS OF WISCONSIN—*Ministers*, Revs. A. T. Laman, J. P. J. Voorberge, M. C. Ruissard. *Elders*, Peter Buteijn, J. W. Voskuil, J. W. Ross.

PARTICULAR SYNOD OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

CLASSIS OF BERGEN—*Ministers*, Revs. Orville J. Hogan, E. Ward Decker. *Elders*, Dr. John E. Pratt, J. J. Van Wagoner.

SOUTH CLASSIS OF BERGEN—*Ministers*, Revs. Cornelius Brett, H. W. Noble, R. H. M. Augustine. *Elders*, B. T. Van Alen, Robert L. Stevens, J. H. Dechert.

CLASSIS OF MONMOUTH—*Ministers*, Revs. Charles Palmer, Alfred Duncombe. *Elders*, W. C. Hulse, Thomas Sherman.

CLASSIS OF NEWARK—*Ministers*, Revs. James Dykema, H. K. Post, John Y. Broek, Otis M. Trousdale. *Elder*, Edward W. Beach.

CLASSIS OF NEW BRUNSWICK—*Ministers*, Revs. Henry Lockwood, Charles E. Corwin. *Elder*, Peter V. Cortelyou.

CLASSIS OF THE PALISADES—*Ministers*, Revs. A. W. Hopper, J. C. Miller, Anthony Luidens. *Elders*, Clarence G. Meeks.

CLASSIS OF PARAMUS—*Ministers*, Rev. J. H. te Grootenhuis, D. C. Weidner, Walter S. Bloom, J. A. Van Dyke. *Elder*, Peter Van Reen.

CLASSIS OF PASSAIC—*Ministers*, Revs. William J. H. Miller, T. Hager, H. E. Nies. *Elders*, Lyman Demarest, C. Dekker.

CLASSIS OF PHILADELPHIA—*Ministers*, Revs. C. F. C. Suckow, M. N. Kalemjian. *Elders*, Oscar J. Force, Jonas Landis.

CLASSIS OF RARITAN—*Ministers*, Revs. H. J. Wahl, William E. Davis, B. V. D. Wyckoff. *Elders*, Jacob Roller, James V. Smith, Jacob D. Quick.

REPRESENTATIVES OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARIES—Rev. Prof. J. Preston Searle from New Brunswick Seminary. Rev. Prof. Evart J. Blekkink from the Western Seminary.

Elder J. J. Van Wagoner of the Classis of Bergen, being recommended by the President and Stated Clerk of Classis, was seated as delegate by unanimous vote of Synod.

In order that the change in the Rules of Order, acted upon favorably by the Synod of 1917, (see minutes 1917, p. 10) might become effective in this Synod, it was necessary to ratify the action of the Synod of 1917 before the election of a president.

The Resolutions of that action were read to Synod by Rev. J. S. Hogan, and they are as follows:

(1R). Resolved, That under the provisions of Art. 182 of the Constitution, notice in writing is hereby submitted of an amendment to the Standing Rules now in force as amended and adopted in 1910, (Minutes, 1910, page 764, and for the present under suspension by vote of Synod; Minutes, 1915, page 349);

(2R) Resolved, That Synod approve as required under Art. 182, the following changes in the Rules of Order:

(a). Under Heading 3, to replace the words "On his election, the President takes the Chair" by the words: "The President and Vice President elect take their offices after the adjournment of the opening session."

(b). Transpose Heading 22: "Announcement of Standing Committees by the President" at the third session to be Heading 4 of the opening session, and increase the ordinal number of the Headings by one from 4 to 21.

The Resolutions were approved by Synod and thereby became a part of the Rules of Order.

ARTICLE III.

MODERATORS.

The President appointed Rev. A. J. Te Paske and the Rev. J. C. Miller, as tellers.

The Rev. Evert J. Blekkink, D. D., of Holland, Michigan, was elected President.

The Rev. William J. Leggett, Ph. D., of Chatham, N. Y., was elected Vice President.

The Revs. A. J. Te Paske and J. C. Miller were elected Temporary Clerks.

The Rev. William E. Compton was appointed Press Clerk for the coming year.

The Rev. Jasper S. Hogan, D. D., was appointed Chairman, and Elder George Tiffany was appointed Elder-at-large, on the Committee on Correspondence and Program for the coming year. The other member of the committee being ex-officio, the President of the General Synod, the Stated Clerk, and the pastor of the church entertaining General Synod in 1919.

ARTICLE IV.

READING OF MINUTES.

On motion the reading of the minutes of last session was omitted.

ACTS OF THE SYNOD.

ARTICLE I.

RULES OF ORDER.

The reading of the rules of order was omitted, and copies of the rules were placed upon the President's desk.

PRELIMINARY REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE AND PROGRAM.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America:

FATHERS AND BRETHREN: The Committee on Correspondence and Religious Exercise begs leave to submit a preliminary report at this time, pursuant to the orders of the Synod. The members of this committee have held frequent conferences in order to discharge the duties laid upon it.

It is with very deep sorrow that we record the death of one of our most faithful and efficient members, Professor Frederic R. Hutton, Sc. D. Ever wise in counsel, progressive in spirit, thorough in all that he undertook, his work on this committee has been of great value. The time saving methods recently adopted by the Synod bear the distinct marks of his genius and zeal.

Last year the Synod directed that the Committee on Cor-

respondence and Religious Exercises be authorized and directed to prepare and print the docket and program for the meeting of Synod in 1918 with the amendments of the Rules of Order provisionally incorporated therein which the Commission had reported, and the President of the Synod be requested to come to the opening session of the Synod of 1918 prepared to make announcement of the constitution of the Standing Committees of that Synod at its opening session. In following these directions the committee has had to provide for a change in procedure, affecting the opening session of the Synod.

As far as possible the committee has endeavored to accommodate visiting delegates in assigning them a place on the program. It has seemed wise to widen the scope of hearings usually given to representatives of other organizations, in order to co-operate with the forces of righteousness in the present war. However, it has been the purpose of the committee to conserve Synod's valuable time and arrange hearings only for those who had messages of vital importance.

As usual the various Boards have arranged the programs for the meetings presenting their special work, viz., Friday, Monday and Tuesday nights, and Ladies' Day.

Last year it was suggested upon the floor of Synod that a shorter name be given to this committee; the Synod thereupon requested the committee to suggest a briefer name for itself. It is therefore recommended that hereafter the Committee on Correspondence and Religious Exercises be called the Committee on Correspondence and Program.

Since the duties of this committee continue until the end of the Synod of 1918, its final report cannot be presented until near the hour of adjournment. As a part of this preliminary report we present this printed "Program of the General Synod" for the adoption of the Synod as the order of business for its several sessions.

Respectfully submitted,

JASPER S. HOGAN,

Chairman.

The report was accepted and adopted :

The hours of meeting and adjournment were fixed.

The limits of the house were fixed.

On motion the Van Benschoten Bequest was read by title.

ARTICLE II.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

DIRECTION—*Elders*, George Tiffany, C. E. Cuddeback, Dr. J. E. Pratt, E. Covert Hulst, C. N. Addison.

PROFESSORATE—*Ministers*, Revs. William J. Leggett, Andrew Hageman, H. K. Post, J. P. Winter, Isaac Van Westenberg. *Elders*, W. E. Bassler, George W. Pool, G. Yntema.

FOREIGN MISSIONS—*Ministers*, Revs. Irving H. Berg, Louis H. Holden, Claus Olandt, M. J. Hoffman, M. C. Ruisard. *Elders*, P. K. Dame, Peter Cortelyou, J. V. Smith.

DOMESTIC MISSIONS—*Ministers*, Revs. James Wayer, Willard Conger, D. McEwan, W. J. Duiker, J. H. Brandow. *Elders*, Clarence G. Meeks, William H. Van Steenberg, Dillis Van Zanten.

OVERTURES—*Ministers*, Revs. H. Schipper, C. F. C. Suckow, Peter Braak, B. V. D. Wyckoff. *Elders*, John M. Kyle, R. A. Vanden Berg, William E. Reed.

EDUCATION—*Ministers*, Rev. Seth Van De Werf, George Z. Collyer, Charles F. Stube, P. T. Phelps, E. W. Decker. *Elders*, W. M. Beekman, J. V. Smith, R. L. Stevens.

PUBLICATION—*Ministers*, Revs. W. R. Ackert, H. C. Wiloughby, C. E. Corwin, J. Luxen, Cornelius Brett. *Elders*, F. E. Ecker, C. P. Hendricks.

WIDOWS' FUND—*Ministers*, Revs. D. L. Betten, W. S. Bloom, W. E. Davis, William Van Vliet, John G. Addy. *Elders*, B. T. Van Alen, Moses S. Davis, J. Schipper.

DISABLED MINISTER'S FUND—*Ministers*, Revs. J. E. Lyall,

C. D. F. Steinfuhrer, P. A. J. Bouma, John Y. Broek, R. H. M. Augustin, Frank F. Blessing. *Elders*, Charles W. Osborne, A. J. Bazuin, W. Beach.

SYNODICAL MINUTES—*Ministers*, Revs. O. J. Hogan, C. F. Benjamin, John B. Steketee, W. O. Van Fleet, D. C. Weidner. *Elders*, J. H. Walker, Edward Hahn, Alex. Flansburg.

STATE OF RELIGION—*Ministers*, Revs. E. J. Blekkink, W. J. Leggett. *Elder*, C. Dosker.

JUDICIAL BUSINESS—*Ministers*, Revs. J. H. E. TeGrootenhuis, E. T. F. Randolph, John Black. *Elders*, J. W. Voskuil, P. J. Hoekzema.

CORRESPONDENCE AND PROGRAM—*Ministers*, Revs. J. S. Hogan, Evart J. Blekkink, Henry Lockwood, G. M. Conover. *Elder*, George Tiffany.

BENEVOLENT SOCIETIES—*Ministers*, Revs. A. W. Hopper, A. N. Stegenga, Ernest Clapp. *Elders*, W. A. Cole, A. H. Houghton.

SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE—*Ministers*, Revs. J. L. Leeper, H. D. Frost, S. M. Hogenboom. *Elder*, E. W. Abell.

NECROLOGY—*Ministers*, J. H. Raven, Jacob Weber, P. G. M. Bahler, G. DeJonge.

ACCOUNTS—*Ministers*, Rev. George W. Furbeck, James Dykema, Theodore Shafer, G. C. Dangremond. *Elders*, G. W. Decker, A. J. Knol, A. F. Dietz.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE—*Ministers*, Revs. Alfred Duncombe, William Rottschaefer. *Elder*, Oscar Force.

RESOLUTIONS—*Ministers*, Revs. O. E. Fisher, John S. Allen, A. T. Laman. *Elders*, Dr. Cornelius, J. W. Ross.

NEXT PLACE OF MEETING—*Ministers*, Revs. O. M. Trousdale, J. W. TePaske. *Elder*, J. P. Radcliffe, Jr.

ARTICLE III.

COMMUNICATIONS.

Communications were received and disposed of as follows:

Report of Board of Direction June, 1916.

Financial Statement of Treasurer of General Synod.

Overture from Classis of Cascades to be exempted from Classical Assessment and Endorsement of this routine by P. S. of Chicago.

Correspondence concerning the disposition of the property of the Second Reformed Church of Philadelphia.

Report of Church House Committee.

Report of the Special Committee to consider the organization of corporations for holding gifts and bequests for the Theological Seminaries.

All referred to Committee on Board of Direction.

Annual Report of the Board of Superintendents of New Brunswick Theological Seminary.

Nominations for Board of Superintendents of New Brunswick Theological Seminary.

Report of the Standing Committee on Seminary Grounds and Property, at New Brunswick and *Report* of the Treasurer.

Report of the Board of Superintendents of the Western Theological Seminary.

Nominations for the Board of Superintendents of the Western Theological Seminary.

Suggestion of Stated Clerk of Particular Synod of Chicago as to its advisability and competency of General Synod to elect two additional members of Board of Superintendents of the Western Theological Seminary from the Particular Synod of Chicago.

Report of the General Synod's Permanent Committee on the Finances of the **Western Theological Seminary.**

Nomination of Rev. Henry Hospers, D. D., for the chair of Old Testament Languages and Literature by the Board of Superintendents of the Western Theological Seminary.

Overtures for Dispensations.

All referred to the Committee on Professorate.

Eighty-fourth *Annual Report* of the Board of Education.

The 52d *Annual Report* of the Council of Hope College.

Financial Statement of the Benevolent Boards of Hope College, North Western Classical Academy and Pleasant

Prairie Academy and Classical Board of Education of the Northwest.

Report of Central College, Pella, Iowa.

Report of the Pleasant Prairie Academy.

Report of the Board of Trustees of the North Western Classical Academy.

Recommendation for aid to the North Western Classical Academy by the Classis of Iowa.

Report of the Wisconsin Memorial Academy.

Recommendation for aid for the Wisconsin Memorial Academy made by the Classis of Wisconsin.

All referred to the Committee on Education, Academies and Colleges.

Annual Report of the Board of Foreign Missions. Referred to Committee on Board of Foreign Missions.

Annual Report of Board of Domestic Missions.

Referred to Committee on Domestic Missions.

Report of Board of Publication and Bible School Work.

Report of Permanent Committee on English Preaching at The Hague.

Overture for Classis of Iowa concerning delays in sending supplies by Board of Publication and Bible School Work.

All referred to Committee on Publication and Bible School Work.

Letters from Dr. Wortman.

Financial Statement of Widows' Fund of Treasurer Frank R. Van Nest.

Referred to Committee on Widows' Fund.

Financial Statement of Disabled Ministers Fund of Treasurer Frank R. Van Nest.

Referred to Committee on Disabled Ministers' Fund.

Report of Committee to appoint a commission on the Million Dollar Pension Fund, referred to the combined committees in Widows' and Disabled Ministers' Fund.

Minutes of General Synod and the four Particular Synods were referred to the Committee on Synodical Minutes and References.

Overtures from Particular Synods of Albany and New

York concerning the withholding of aid from unpatriotic organizations or individuals. (To Special Committee on Loyalty Resolutions.)

Overture from Particular Synod of Albany concerning the elimination of the column "number who have communed during the year" from the statistical tables. (To Overtures.)

Overtures from the Particular Synod of Albany to amend Article 4, Section 42, omitting the word "male," so that it shall read "The elders and deacons shall be chosen from the members of the church in full communion who have attained the age of twenty-one years." (To Overtures.)

Overture to same effect for Classis of Montgomery.

Recommendation from Classis of Holland that the rule governing aid to students who marry before graduation be waived in the case of M. Eugene Flipse a student in the New Brunswick Theological Seminary. (To Education.)

Overture from the Classis of New Brunswick that a commission be appointed consisting of clergymen and laymen, to confer with a Committee of the House of Bishops and with similar representations of the Presbyterian church or other churches, looking toward affiliated relationships. (To Overtures.)

Overtures from the Classes of Pella, New Brunswick, Paramus and Schoharie, that General Synod petition the President of the United States to set apart a day of prayer confession and supplication. (To Committee on Resolutions).

Invitation to appoint four delegates to meet with other delegates, representatives of the Evangelical churches in the United States for the purpose of considering the subject of Organic Union of said Evangelical Churches: from the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A. Also the *action* of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian church in the U. S. A. in this matter. (To Committee on Closer Relations.)

Overture for "Plan of Federal Union" from the Council of Reformed Churches in America holding the Presbyterian system. (Action deferred until 1919.)

Overture from the Particular Synod of Albany—to appoint a Permanent Committee on constitutional amendments.

Report of the War Service Commission of the Reformed Church in America—East and West.

Referred to Committee on Overtures.

Report of Committee on Necrology. (Read.)

Request of Rev. H. L. Bowlby to speak in the interests of the Lord's Day Alliance.

Request for Rev. James Wayer to speak in the interests of the Chicago Tract Society.

Request of Rev. James K. Shield to speak in the interests of the Anti-Saloon League.

Request for Rev. J. P. Searle to speak representing the Alliance of Reformed Churches holding the Presbyterian system (Western section).

Request for hearing for Rev. L. B. Chamberlain of American Bible Society.

Request for hearing for Rev. Judson Swift, in behalf of American Tract Society.

Request from General War Commission of the Churches that Dr. Ira F. Wile address Synod on "Social Hygiene and the war."

Report and *Minutes* of Executive Commission of Alliance of Reformed Churches holding Presbyterian system.

Annual Report and *Minutes* of Council of the Reformed Churches in America, holding the Presbyterian system.

Credentials of Rev. J. P. Searle, D. D., to represent Council of Reformed Church in America holding the Presbyterian system.

Communications to the Constituent Bodies from the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America.

Resolutions concerning Boy Scouts of America, from Federal council commission on church and social service.

All referred to the Committee on Correspondence and Program.

Letter and *Resolutions* from Rev. Judson Swift, D. D.

Address of Rev. James K. Shield, D. D.

Address of Dr. Ira F. Wile.

Address of Rev. H. L. Bowlby, D. D.

Address of Rev. L. B. Chamberlain.

Report of the Permanent Committee on Temperance.

Recommendation of Resolution on Prohibition by the National Service and War-time Commission of the American churches.

Report of the special committee of the Lord's Day Alliance on Sabbath Observance.

All referred to the Committee on Benevolent Societies.

Report of the Permanent Committee on Systematic Beneficence.

Referred to the Committee on Systematic Beneficence.

Invitations for next meeting of General Synod.

Referred to Committee on Next Place of Meeting.

Other references were made during the sessions of Synod as follows:

Address of Rev. Hervey Wood, of the Native Races Anti-Liquor Traffic Committee, referred to Committee on Benevolent Societies.

Addresses of Rev. Chas. Bieler of the French Protestant Church, and of Rev. Paul S. Leinbach of the Reformed Church in the United States, referred to the Committee on Correspondence and Program.

Memorial to General Synod regarding a Denominational Program, was referred to a Special Committee composed of Revs. Harry W. Noble, P. A. J. Bouma, O. M. Trousdale and Elders B. T. Van Alen, and Dr. J. E. Pratt.

Address of Elder B. T. Van Alen in regard to Rev. Cornelius Brett, D. D., was referred to Committee on Resolutions.

Announcement of Prof. Dimment's election as President of Hope College.

Account of Prof. Dimment's life.

Request that Dr. Vennema be appointed on Council of Hope College.

All referred to Committee on Education.

Address of Rev. J. Preston Searle, D. D., for Alliance of Reformed Churches, and for Council of Reformed

Churches, referred to Committee on Correspondence and Program.

Address of Rev. William Adams Brown, D. D.

Address of Rev. Claus Olandt.

Resolution introduced on the floor of Synod that services in foreign tongue should be changed as soon as possible to language of Country; and other

Loyalty Resolutions referred to special committee composed of Rev. E. J. Blekkink, J. L. Leeper, J. P. Searle, H. Pankuk, I. H. Berg and Elders J. R. Kyle and Dr. J. E. Pratt, who were to act in conjunction with the Committee on Resolutions.

ARTICLE IV.

BOARD OF DIRECTION OF THE CORPORATION.

The following Report with accompanying documents was received from the Board of Direction of the Corporation.

It was referred to the Committee on Board of Direction.

Report of the Board of Direction

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America.

Together with the statement of the Treasurer the following is offered. After ten years of constant and priceless service our President Wm. N. Clark, has resigned from the Board. The burden of eighty-five years and the loss of his only son in the service of his country led to the step, nor could we persuade otherwise. Mr. Clark has maintained with singular devotion a great tradition set by a long succession of Presidents. His courtesy, dignity and wisdom gave distinction to our meetings. His constant faithfulness in the care of the funds and every duty of his responsible office was an assurance of the absolute security of the trust. Mr. Wm. L. Brower has been chosen President and we have filled the vacancy in the Board by selecting Mr. Wm. G. Gaston, an officer of the Harlem Church and cashier of the Fifth Avenue Bank of New York. It is the duty of the Synod to act on these names. The qualifications of both gentlemen are too well known throughout the church to call for a further statement.

Until the required number of Classes act affirmatively on the proposed amendment of the church constitution increasing the number of members to six the Board has no authority to act in the matter of enlargement. Our conferences with our dear friend the late Frederic R. Hutton, chairman of the Revision Committee, were entirely harmonious and we planned to act together in carrying out the directions of the last Synod.

The following is the joint recommendation:

"The Board joins Prof. F. R. Hutton in recommending to the General Synod the action presented by him at its meeting.

"The Committee on Revision of the Constitution of the Reformed Church in America, therefore, offers the following as a basis of what it would recommend to the Synod of 1918, if the Board of Direction shall concur therein.

"Resolved, That the Committee recommend to the Synod that it approve the following amendment of Sec. 113.

"The Board of Direction of the Corporation of the General Synod shall consist of a number of persons which is specified in its articles of incorporation, and shall be of at least six.

"The members of the Board of Direction shall be elected by the General Synod at its stated meeting and shall serve for three years. The members of the Board shall be divided into three classes of at least two members each, and the term of at least two members shall expire at each stated meeting of the General Synod.

"The General Synod shall elect at its stated meeting one of the members of the Board of Direction to be its President to serve for one year. The Board of Direction shall elect a Treasurer of the Board and of General Synod as soon as it has been constituted, to serve for one year. Such Treasurer need not be a member of the Board, unless he is such an elected member he shall have no vote in the Board.

"The Board of Direction shall report to the General Synod at its stated meeting a full statement of the funds, receipts and expenditures during its fiscal year. The fiscal year shall be from May 1 to the following April 30."

At a subsequent meeting of the Board of Direction the following resolution was adopted, viz.:

"Resolved, When the Classes approve of the proposed amendment to the Church Constitution and General Synod adopts, the Board will immediately request the Legislature of the State of New York to legalize such action."

The alterations in the Church House were carried out by a joint committee of all the Boards of the Church in a manner satisfactory to each and at a cost of \$4,476. This brings the cost of the house to \$81,503. A net return of 5 per cent. is secured to the trust funds thus invested by the rent of the rooms. For the past fourteen years the cause of the Disabled Ministers and Widows funds has been presented to the Churches by Dr. Denis Wortman. Through his efforts there has been an increase in their offerings and many bequests made by individuals. As an honorarium for his work \$1,500 a year has been given our revered Brother, now in his 84th year. It is the duty of Synod to direct the Board as to continuing the engagement of Dr. Wortman. The total contribu-

tions for the Widows Fund for the past year were \$10,253 and for the Disabled Ministers' Fund \$10,116, or about the same amounts as in previous years. The Board reaffirms its plea for action on the part of the Church to provide honorable help to the aged ministers and their widows. We know that both the good name of our Communion and her future growth are involved. We have received payment of the Elizabeth Diehl Legacy of \$2,000 for the Widows' Fund and of \$2,000 for the Disabled Ministers' Fund; also the gift of the Sioux Centre, Iowa, Church, of \$100 for the Widows' Fund and the Liberty bonds of \$50 for each Fund from the 1917 Synod.

At the May meeting of the Board we requested the Secretary to retire. The following resolution was then presented and unanimously affirmed:

"The Treasurer of the Church and Secretary of its Incorporation, Frank R. Van Nest, has completed twenty-five years of constant service in these responsible offices. Since he assumed this work the funds of the Church have more than doubled and their care and the other duties have equally increased throughout eleven months of the year. Mr. Van Nest is at his office from early morning until dark, and often until late at night carrying on without rest his complicated and difficult duties. Other trustees come and pass away, but each realizes his inestimable value to the Church; therefore be it,

"Resolved, That we request the Synod of 1918 to direct the Board to increase the salary of Frank R. Van Nest, Treasurer, if elected to the office, from \$2,500 to \$3,500 a year from June 1st, 1918."

Two facts are of singular interest in this connection:

First. In 1830 Abraham Van Nest became Director, then Treasurer and then President of the Board. On his death in 1864 his son, John Van Nest became Director, President and then Treasurer. On his death in 1892 his son, Frank R. Van Nest became Director and Treasurer.

Second. A careful review of the Reports of the Board for eighty-eight years shows that the Funds of the Church and offerings for distribution have been conserved and administered without loss of principle or interest, to the continued satisfaction of all

interested and at a cost to the church of less than 1 per cent. of income. We venture to affirm that this record is unique in the history of American Trusts.

On behalf of the Treasurers of the Classes the Board urges the Synod to exercise the utmost care in incurring expenses and also to consider ways and means for reducing the ever increasing costs of Synod. All such expenses can only be met by assessments on the Churches. The securities held by the Church have been carefully examined by the members of the Board and found to agree with the statement of investment submitted to Synod. The member whose term of office expires this year is Wm. G. Gaston. Action on his name and Wm. L. Brower as President is requested.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOSEPH R. DURYEE.

The following is the list of monies received i. e., for the several funds during the year:

The Theological Seminary at New Brunswick, N. J.

Legacy of Mrs. Elizabeth Diehl.....	\$2,000 00
Temporary Expenses	1,961 09
Alumni Fund, per Rev. Hy. Lockwood, Treasurer..	150 00

Endowment of the Widows' Fund.

Madison Ave. Ref. Church, New York City.....	2,500 00
First Ref. Church, Sioux Center, Iowa.....	100 00
Legacy of Mrs. Elizabeth Diehl.....	2,000 00
One Liberty Bond, 4 per cent. per Rev. Sawtell Prentice	50 00
Payment by Ministers at one time, 3 per cent. on \$1,250	37 50
Discount premium on bonds	5 47

Widows' Fund, Income.

From Churches, individuals and annual payments....	10,928 58
Interest on annual payments, deferred.....	24 93
Interest on fund, net	5,550 59
75 per cent. of annual payments, withdrawn	293 47
Payments	15,616 47

Transfer to Widows' Fund, 3 per cent. on \$1,250 payment by ministers at one time.....	37 50
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Disabled Ministers' Fund, "Endowment."

Madison Ave. Ref. Church, N. Y. City.....	2,500 00
Legacy of Mrs. Elizabeth Diehl.....	2,000 00
One Liberty Bond, 4 per cent., per Rev. Sawtell Prentice	50 00

Disabled Ministers' Fund, Income.

From Churches and Individuals	10,117 83
Interest on fund, net	9,435 92
Payments	16,887 22

Western Theological Seminary.

Legacy of John Lemmenes, per Fourth Professorship	480 50
One-fifth share of sale of lots, 29x30 Bosaddet, Grand Rapids, Mich., Est. of Kommer Schaddelee....	17 50
By cash, per Prof. Jas. F. Zwemer.....	25 00
Temporary expenses	255 49

Endowment of Fifth Professorship.

Legacy of Jacob Den. Herder.....	1,000 00
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Property and Contingent Fund.

By cash, per Prof. James F. Zwemer.....	3,726 00
Legacy of Mrs. Mary John Boon.....	481 00

Education Fund.

Legacy of Mrs. Elizabeth Diehl.....	500 00
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WM. L. BROWER,

President.

JOSEPH R. DURYEE, D. D.,

JOHN M. KYLE,

WILLIAM G. GASTON,

FRANK R. VAN NEST,

Directors.

New York, May 1, 1918.

EQUITABLE BUILDING, 120 Broadway, New York, May 31, 1918.

Mr. William L. Brower, President,
Board of Direction,
Reformed Church in America,
New York City, New York.

DEAR SIR:—Having completed our audit of the books of account and cash transactions as shown by the records of the Treasurer of the Board of Direction for the year ended April 30th, 1918, we submit herewith

STATEMENT OF CONDITION

as at April 30th, 1918.

CASH SUMMARY FOR YEAR

ended April 30th, 1918.

We find that the total amount of bequests and donations, of which the principal is to be invested, is one million seven hundred forty thousand six hundred seventy-two dollars and ninety-one cents (\$1,740,672.90); also that the total amount of income which will be disbursed subsequent to April 30th, 1918, according to the stipulations of bequests or donations or which is to be paid to the several church boards, is seventy-six thousand seventeen dollars and sixty-nine cents (\$76,017.69); which has been accounted for as shown in the attached statement of conditions.

By a perusal of the cash summary, attached hereto, it will be noticed that the total principal receipts during the year amounted to twenty-eight thousand five hundred ninety-eight dollars and ninety-three cents (\$28,598.93); while, forty-seven thousand thirty-four dollars and ninety-one cents (\$47,034.91) was invested, there being four thousand two hundred thirty-two dollars and twenty-six cents (\$4,232.26) available for investment.

We would call your attention to the fact that during the year ended April 30th, 1918, the proportion of net earnings credited to the Widows' Fund Income amounted to five thousand seven hundred ninety dollars and twenty-three cents (\$5,790.23), which together with the contributions by churches and individuals amounting to ten thousand nine hundred fifty-three dollars and fifty-one cents (\$10,953.51), making a total of sixteen thousand seven hundred forty-two dollars and seventy-four cents (\$16,742.74), from which payments have been made amounting to fifteen thousand six hundred sixteen dollars and forty-seven cents (\$15,616.47).

A similar condition prevailed as to the Disabled Ministers' Fund Income, as the proportion of net earnings credited amounted to nine thousand eight hundred forty-eight dollars and eighty cents (\$9,848.80), which, together with the contributions by churches and individuals amounting to ten thousand one hundred seventeen dollars and eighty-three cents (\$10,117.83), making a total of nineteen thousand nine hundred sixty-six dollars and sixty-three cents (\$19,966.63), from which payments have been made amounting to sixteen thousand eight hundred eighty-seven dollars and twenty-two cents (\$16,887.22).

It will therefore be seen that there is a constant and heavy call upon the income from these invested funds, and if the good work of the past is to be continued or enlarged upon, it would appear to us as important that your representatives to the General Synod earnestly urge the representatives of the churches that if possible they increase the amount of their former contributions.

We have verified the amount shown as balance in the Corn Exchange Bank as well as verified by inspection the several bonds and mortgages, also stocks and bonds as shown in the attached statement of condition. The amount shown as real estate and property consists of the original cost together with subsequent expenditures. We have satisfied ourselves that all cash transactions have been properly accounted for.

Respectfully submitted,

MCWHORTER, BOYCE, HUGHES AND FARRELL,
By CHAS. F. MCWHORTER,
Certified Public Accountant,
University of the State of New York.

GENERAL SYNOD REFORMED CHURCH IN AMERICA.
STATEMENT OF CONDITION APRIL 30, 1918.

PRINCIPAL FUNDS TO BE INVESTED:

Education Fund	\$230,858 74
Parochial School Fund	11,507 50
Permanent Seminary Fund	197,885 03
Donation of Colonel Henry Rutgers	5,000 00
Permanent Contingent Fund	10,423 80
Widows' Fund	123,982 14
Disabled Ministers' Fund	211,900 25
John Antonides Scholarship Fund	97,111 73
Bequest of Hiram J. Meenk	384 00
James Suydam Professorial Fund	60,000 00
George A. Sandham Scholarship Fund	4,000 00
James Suydam Fund for repairs and improvements, Professorial Dwellings	11,135 00
Mrs. A. Herzog for repairs to Peter Herzog Hall..	10,000 00
Board of Foreign Missions	12,206 08
Board of Domestic Missions	15,159 08
Hope College Endowment Fund	53,420 06
A. C. Van Raalte Professorship of Didactic and Polemic Theology in Western Theological Seminary	30,000 00
C. Van der Meulen second Professorship in Western Theological Seminary	30,000 00
James A. H. Cornell Professorship of Historical Theology in Western Theological Seminary...	30,000 00
Fourth Professorship in Western Theological Sem- inary	10,018 09
Property and Contingent Fund of Western Theo- logical Seminary	10,681 30
Augustus Elmendorf Theological Educational Fund	2,383 00
Arcof Theological Seminary Fund	58,673 78
Margaret Antoinette Thompson Fund	2,000 00
James Anderson Memorial Fund	1,222 85
G. A. Sage Endowment for Support and Maintenance of Peter Herzog Hall	25,000 00
Endowment Fund for Support and Maintenance of G. A. Sage Library	35,015 00
Endowment Fund for the purchase of books for G. A. Sage Library	20,000 00
G. A. Sage Professorial Fund	50,000 00
James Suydam Legacy for Support and Maintenance of Jas. Suydam Hall	20,000 00
James Suydam Legacy for repairs and improvements of Seminary buildings and grounds	20,000 00
Nathan F. Graves Lecture Fund	8,114 00
Church Building Fund	4,728 00
Library Alcove Endowment	18,214 42
Abraham J. Swit's Scholarship Fund in Western Theological Seminary	1,825 00
Angelina Silvernail Fund	25,000 00
Alida Van Schaick Legacy	109,669 10
Library of Theological Seminary, New Brunswick, N. J.	5,000 00
S. Helen Knieskern Annuity	1,000 00
Archibald Laidlie, D. D., Memorial Fund	5,000 00
Ralph Voorhees Fund	25,000 00
Board of Publication	2,193 12
Mrs. Ann Hertzog Memorial Fund	75,000 00
Catskill Church Faculty Fund	5,000 00
Fund for Professorial Dwelling	49 93
Alumni Endowment Fund for Theological Seminary, New Brunswick, N. J.	6,636 01
Property Fund of the Theological Seminary, New Brunswick, N. J.	14,536 48
Museum, Theological Seminary at New Brunswick, N. J., Legacy of John S. Bussing	2,000 00
Legacy of Mrs. Anna H. Carver	25,000 00
Legacy of Rev. Peter Lepeltak in trust for Arabian Missions	1,505 50
Legacy of Mrs. Mary B. Pell for the benefit of the Theological Seminary, New Brunswick, N. J.	13 91

Legacy of Abie J. Bell income, in perpetuity to be credited one-half each to Disabled Ministers' Fund Income and Permanent Seminary Fund Income	220 00	
Bequest of Annie M. Van Zandt in trust	4,000 00	
Fifth Professorship in Western Theological Seminary	1,000 00	
		\$1,740,672 90
INCOME FROM INVESTMENT OF FUNDS NOT AS YET DISBURSED:		
Education Fund	\$1,793 95	
Parochial School Fund	67 73	
Permanent Seminary Fund	8,936 58	
Donation of Colonel Henry Rutgers	240 16	
Widows' Fund	12,793 98	
Disabled Ministers' Fund	13,616 46	
John Antonides Scholarship Fund	571 58	
Bequest of Hiram J. Meenk	2 27	
James Suydam Professorial Fund	878 14	
George A. Sandham Scholarship Fund	318 11	
James Suydam Fund for repairs and improvements, Professorial Dwellings	260 94	
Mrs. A. Hertzog for repairs to Peter Hertzog Hall ..	258 85	
Board of Foreign Missions	285 07	
Board of Domestic Missions	345 58	
Hope College Endowment Fund	651 22	
Fourth Professorship in Western Theological Seminary	35 69	
Property and Contingent Fund of Western Theological Seminary	113 95	
Augustus Elmendorf Theological Educational Fund ..	222 56	
Arcot Theological Seminary Fund	553 76	
Margaret Antoinette Thompson Fund	11 77	
G. A. Sage Endowment for support and maintenance of Peter Hertzog Hall	597 15	
Endowment Fund for support and maintenance of G. A. Sage Library	856 70	
Endowment Fund for the purchase of books for G. A. Sage Library	517 71	
G. A. Sage Professorial Fund	169 29	
James Suydam Legacy for support and maintenance of Jas. Suydam Hall	517 71	
James Suydam Legacy for repairs and improvements of Seminary buildings and grounds	517 71	
Nathan F. Graves Lecture Fund	757 82	
Church Building Fund	116 95	
Library Alcove Endowment	387 91	
Abraham J. Swit's Scholarship Fund in Western Theological Seminary	83 74	
Angelina Silvernail Fund	813 24	
Alida Van Schaick Legacy	2,159 51	
Library of Theological Seminary, New Brunswick, N. J.	229 42	
Helen S. Knieskern Annuity	50 00	
Archibald Laidlie, D. D., Memorial Fund	466 98	
Board of Publication	50 63	
Mrs. Ann Hertzog Memorial Fund	4,516 95	
Catskill Church Faculty Fund	466 98	
Alumni Endowment Fund for Theological Seminary, New Brunswick, N. J.	886 61	
Prpoerty Fund of the Theological Seminary, New Brunswick, N. J.	416 99	
Museum, Theological Seminary at New Brunswick, N. J., Legacy of John S. Bussing	91 77	
Legacy of Mrs. Anna H. Carver	2,334 94	
Legacy of Rev. Peter Lepeltak in trust for Arabian Missions	69 06	
Legacy of Abie J. Bell income, in perpetuity to be credited one-half each to Disabled Ministers' Fund Income and Permanent Seminary Fund Income	10 10	
Contingent Expense of the Western Theological Seminary	255 49	
Salary Fund, Western Theological Seminary	2,635 46	

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Expense Fund	3,260 56	
Entertainment Fund	2,847 97	
Insurance Adjustment	6,582 00	
Special Fund for Expenses of Theological Seminary, New Brunswick, N. J.	1,391 99	
		\$76,017 69
REPAIR FUND, unexpended balance		26 29
TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR		\$1,816,716 88
ACCOUNTED FOR AS FOLLOWS		
Bonds and Mortgages	\$1,383,776 00	
Stocks and Bonds	32,707 49	
		\$1,416,483 49
Real Estate	143,822 29	
Van Schaick Legacy, Real Estate	40,000 00	
Property, 25 East 22nd St., N. Y.	81,503 68	
		265,325 97
ARCOT SEMINARY FUND:		
Bonds and Mortgages	\$41,800 00	
Stocks and Bonds	4,000 00	
	\$45,800 00	
Real Estate	8,831 00	
		54,631 18
CASH IN CORN EXCHANGE BANK:		
Principal of Funds uninvested	\$4,232 26	
Income from investment, of funds, not yet dis- bursed	75,980 38	
		80,212 64
EXPENSES OF PROPERTY:		
22 E. 22nd St., to be received from Boards.....		63 60
TOTAL AMOUNT ACCOUNTED FOR		\$1,816,716 88

BOARD OF DIRECTION REFORMED CHURCH IN AMERICA.
CASH SUMMARY.

Year Ended April 30, 1918.

PRINCIPAL:

Balance, May 1, 1917 \$22,668 24

Receipts:

Legacies	\$8,479 00
Church Contributions	5,100 00
Individual Contributions	3,301 00
Bonds and Mortgages Repaid	6,300 00
Bonds and Mortgages Repaid (Arcot)	1,100 00
Received from Boards for expenses of Prop- erty, 25 E. 22nd St.	935 73
Income credited to or transferred to principal of funds	2,783 20

Total 28,598 93

\$51,267 17*Disbursements:*

Bond and Mortgage Loans	\$40,000 00
Real Estate	1,622 93
Property 25 E. 22nd St., Alterations, including amounts reimbursed by Boards	5,411 98

Total 47,034 91

\$4,232 26

Balance, April 30, 1918

INCOME:

Balance, May 1, 1917..... \$60,003 23

Receipts:

Contingent Expenses, General Synod	\$6,365 16
Entertainment Fund, General Synod	2,814 78
Widows' Fund, General Synod	6,479 56
From Churches for pastors	2,801 02
From Ministers for annual payments	2,072 93
Disabled Ministers Fund	10,117 83
Arcot Theological Seminary	4,650 99
Board of Education for Permanent Seminary Fund	500 00
Board of Education for Contingent Expenses, Western Theological Seminary	500 00
Rent, Van Schaick Real Estate	2,349 38
Contributions for Salary Fund, Western Theo- logical Seminary	4,610 00
Insurance for Bangor Flat Fire.....	10,582 00
Miscellaneous Contributions	2,258 97
Miscellaneous Refunds	352 99
Interest	71,559 63
Rent, Real Estate	5,182 62
Rents received from Boards	231 70
Rents received from Boards	7,180 21

Total 140,289 77

\$200,293 00*Disbursements:*

Fund Income Payments	\$66,968 44
Widows' Fund	15,341 47
Disabled Ministers' Fund	15,787 22
Rev. D. Wortman	1,375 00
Entertainment Fund	2,809 25
Expense Account, General Synod	5,358 71
Real Estate Expenses	3,148 34
Bangor Flat Fire Repairs.....	4,000 00
Property Expenses, 25 E. 22nd St., N. Y.....	3,344 31
Expenses apportioned to Boards.....	3,396 68
Income transferred to Principal of Funds....	2,783 20

Total 124,312 62

Balance, April 30, 1918 \$75,980 38

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The General Synod of the Reformed Church in America,

Year Ended April 30, 1918.

Balance brought forward from last report.....		\$82,671 47
LEGACIES RECEIVED FOR SPECIFIED PURPOSES:		
Elizabeth Diehl, for Education Fund	\$500 00	
Elizabeth Diehl, for Permanent Seminary Fund.....	2,000 00	
Elizabeth Diehl, for Widows' Fund	2,000 00	
Elizabeth Diehl, for Disabled Ministers' Fund	2,000 00	
John Lemmenes, for Fourth Professorship in the Western Theological Seminary	480 50	
Kommer Schaddelee, balance for the Fourth Professor- ship in Western Theological Seminary	17 50	
Mrs. Mary John Boon, for Property and Contingent Fund of the Western Theological Seminary....	481 00	
Jacob Den Herder, for Fifth Professorship in Western Theological Seminary	1,000 00	
		\$8,479 00
CHURCH CONTRIBUTIONS FOR SPECIFIED PUR- POSES:		
Madison Avenue Reformed Church, N. Y. City, for Widows' Fund	\$2,500 00	
First Reformed Church, Sioux Center, Iowa, for Widows' Fund	100 00	
Madison Avenue Reformed Church, N. Y. City, for the Disabled Ministers' Fund	2,500 00	
		\$5,100 00
INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS FOR SPECIFIED PUR- POSES:		
For the Fourth Professorship in Western Theological Seminary, by Prof Jas. F. Zwemer	\$25 00	
For the Property and Contingent Fund of the Western Theological Seminary, by Prof. Jas. F. Zwemer	3,726 00	
The Alumni Endowment Fund, by Rev. Hy. Lockwood. Treas.	150 00	
		\$3,901 00
BONDS AND MORTGAGES REPAID		\$6,300 00
ARCOT THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY FUND. BONDS AND MORTGAGES REPAID IN PART.....		1,100 00
RECEIVED FROM BOARDS FOR EXPENSES OF PROPERTY, NO. 25 EAST 22d ST., N. Y.....		935 75
To Cash received from the following Classes for the Contingent Fund, General Synod, during the year, viz:		
April 30, 1918.		
Classis of Saratoga	1915	\$77 45
“ “ Pleasant Prairie	1916	72 73
“ “ Michigan	“	187 44
“ “ Poughkeepsie	“	103 22
“ “ Newark	“	323 31
North Classis of Long Island, balance.....	“	108 30

Classis of Illinois	"	71	87
" " New Brunswick	"	140	21
" " Rensselaer	1917	91	86
" " Albany	"	149	20
" " Bergen	"	116	64
" " Dakota	"	63	32
" " Germania	"	33	31
" " Grand River	"	275	39
" " Greene	"	67	68
" " Hudson	"	90	70
" " Iowa	"	232	72
South Classis of Long Island	"	308	70
Classis of New York	"	557	22
" " Palisades	"	178	02
" " Orange	"	164	91
" " Passaic	"	156	62
" " Pella	"	97	14
" " Raritan	"	166	07
" " Schoharie	"	52	02
" " Ulster	"	111	59
" " Westchester	"	155	18
" " Wisconsin	"	343	02
" " New Brunswick	"	135	45
" " Pleasant Prairie	"	67	82
" " Rochester	"	150	64
" " Holland	"	233	42
" " Philadelphia	"	111	50
" " Poughkeepsie	"	95	80
" " Montgomery	"	213	04
" " Newark	"	309	21
" " Paramus	"	300	77
" " Schenectady	"	168	62
" " Monmouth	"	78	05

 \$6.365 16

To Cash received from the following Classes for Entertainment Fund of General Synod, during the year, viz:

April 30, 1918.			
Classis of Saratoga	1915	\$22	59
" " Pleasant Prairie	1916	32	47
" " Michigan	"	83	54
" " Poughkeepsie	"	46	08
" " Illinois	"	32	09
" " New Brunswick	"	62	60
" " Rensselaer	1917	44	62
" " Albany	"	72	47
" " Bergen	"	56	66
" " Dakota	"	30	76
" " Germania	"	16	18
" " Grand River	"	133	76
" " Greene	"	33	87
" " Hudson	"	44	06
" " Iowa	"	113	04
South Classis of Long Island	"	149	94
Classis of Newark	"	150	19
" " New York	"	270	65
" " Palisades	"	86	47
" " Orange	"	80	10
" " Passaic	"	76	07
" " Pella	"	47	18
" " Schoharie	"	25	27
" " Ulster	"	54	20
" " Westchester	"	75	38
" " Wisconsin	"	166	61
" " Pleasant Prairie	"	32	94
" " Raritan	"	80	66
" " Rochester	"	73	17
" " Holland	"	113	38
" " Philadelphia	"	54	16
" " Poughkeepsie	"	46	53
" " Montgomery	"	105	91
" " Paramus	"	146	09

North Classis of Long Island	"	116 28
Classis of Schenectady	"	81 90
" " Monmouth	"	27 91

\$2,894 78

WIDOWS' FUND.

Received Personal Contributions during the year, viz:
April 30, 1918.

Mrs. C. L. Wells	\$100 00
Mrs. John D. Parsons, Jr.	100 00
Mrs. Hannah M. Bishop	50 00
Two Friends	50 00
Mrs. Emily A. Brinkerhoff	40 00
Mrs. Elizabeth Garretson	25 00
Mrs. Electa H. Jube	12 50
A Member of First Ref. Ch. Sioux Center, Ia.	12 50
Friend in Jersey	10 00
Rev. Horace P. Craig	5 00
Miss Charlotte Vander Veen	5 00
Miss Maria B. Labaugh	5 00
Mr. David S. Moore	5 00
Rev. and Mrs. Geo. W. Gulick	5 00
Mr. Arthur G. Vedder	1 00
Liberty Bond, 4 per cent. Coupon, \$50	87
A Friend, Grand Rapids, M.	50

\$427 37

Interest on deferred annual payments 24 93

Received from churches, during year, for detail refer
to Tabular Statement, in Minutes of General
Synod, 1918

\$5,627 26

6,079 56

Cash received from churches to apply to the credit of
Pastors, during the year, viz:

1917.			
May	3.	Ref. Ch. Flushing, N. Y., Rev. T. Mackenzie	\$20 00
	3.	Fourth " Kalamazoo, Mich., Rev. J. H. Kregel	20 00
	9.	" N. Yakima, Wash., Rev. B. Van Huevelen	20 00
	16.	Tabitha Verein of the Ger Ev. Ref Ch. Hoboken, N. J., Rev. John Rudolph	20 00
	21.	First " Grandville, Mich., Rev. J. G. Brouwer	13 55
	21.	Flatlands " Brooklyn, N. Y., Rev. Chas. W. Roeder	30 00
	23.	" Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Rev. C. P. Case	30 00
	28.	First " Jamaica, N. Y., Rev. R. K. Wick	40 00
	29.	First Holl. " Passaic, N. J., Rev. A. M. Van Duine	20 00
	29.	" Owasco, N. Y., Rev. Geo. G. Seibert	10 00
	29.	" Interlaken, N. Y., Rev. Geo. G. Seibert	10 00
	31.	" Sheyboygan Falls, Mich., Rev. B. M. Flikkema.	7 72
June	1.	" Glen Rock, N. J., Rev. D. C. Weidner	7 00
	2.	" Coopersville, Mich., Rev. A. DeYoung	20 00
	8.	Gano " Chicago, Ill., Rev. J. Sietsema	7 80
	11.	Ocean Hill " Brooklyn, N. Y., Rev. A. Hageman	5 32
	14.	" Boyden, Iowa, Rev. A. J. Van Lummel	30 00

	6.	Gallatin	Ref. Ch.	Mt. Ross, N. Y., Rev.	
				F. A. Force	20 00
	16.	Second	"	Paterson, N. J., Rev.	
				Wm. J. Lonsdale.....	30 00
	20.		"	Otley, Iowa, Rev. Peter	
				Grootus	20 00
	22.		"	Baldwin, Wis., Rev. A.	
				T. Laman	20 00
	28.		"	Scotia, N. Y., Rev. H.	
				B. Roberts	20 00
July	2.	American	"	Newburgh, N. Y., Rev.	
				M. Seymour Purdy....	13 47
	2.		"	Germantown, N. Y., Rev.	
				Benj. F. White.....	18 00
	3.	First	"	Catskill, N. Y., Rev.	
				John A. Dykstra.....	20 00
	3.	First	"	New Brunswick, N. J.,	
				Rev. J. S. Hogan.....	12 00
	9.	Broadway	"	Paterson, N. J., Rev.	
				Simon Blocker	9 83
	9.		"	Queens, N. Y., Rev. J.	
				S. N. Demarest.....	20 00
	9.		"	Wellsburg, Iowa, Rev.	
				Wm. Landsiedel	30 00
	11.		"	Bloomington, N. Y., Rev.	
				A. A. Zabriskie.....	20 00
	13.		"	Doon, Ia., Rev. E. S.	
				Schilstra	3 92
	13.		"	Doon, Ia., Rev. E. S.	
				Schilstra	47
	16.		"	Aplington, Ia., Rev. Geo.	
				Schnucker	25 00
	17.		"	Niskayuna, N. Y., Rev.	
				C. P. Ditmars	20 00
	17.	Second	"	Grand Rapids, Mich.,	
				Rev. Henry Hospers,	
				balance	1 64
	17.	Second	"	Grand Rapids, Mich.,	
				Rev. Henry Hospers.	4 65
	18.		"	New Concord, N. Y.,	
				Rev. John Black	1 60
	26.	First	"	Passaic, N. J., Rev. Ed-	
				ward Dawson	30 00
	26.		"	Friesland, Wis., Rev.	
				A. Vander Werf.....	20 00
	26.	Immanuel	"	Belmond, Iowa, Rev. E.	
				H. Thormann	30 00
Aug.	3.	First Holl.	"	Wortendyke, N. J., Rev.	
				Wm. Pool	10 55
	3.	First Holl., Young		Ladies' Soc'y of Ref. Ch.	
				Wortendyke, N. J., Rev.	
				Wm. Pool	5 00
	8.		"	Greenleafston, Minn.,	
				Rev. Matt. J. Duven..	20 00
	14.	First	"	Pella, Iowa., Rev. J.	
				Wesselink	30 00
	20.		"	Glen Rock, N. J., Rev.	
				D. C. Weidner.....	13 00
	22.		"	Chatham, N. Y., Rev.	
				Wm. J. Leggett.....	20 00
	28.		"	Newkirk, Iowa, Rev.	
				A. D. Dowstra.....	20 00
Sept.	4.		"	Claverack, N. Y., Rev.	
				H. Hageman	20 00
	13.	First	"	Kalamazoo, Mich., Rev.	
				J. Steunenberg	20 00
	21.	Ebenezer	"	Morrison, Ill., Rev. Jean	
				A. Vis	8 10
	28.	First	"	Sioux Center, Iowa, Rev.	
				F. Lubbers	30 00
Oct.	2.		"	Port Richmond, N. Y.,	
				Rev. O. L. F. Mohn..	30 00
Sept.	28.	First (Miss'ry)"		Hackensack, N. J., Rev.	
				Albert Von Schlieder	30 00

Oct.	3.	Ref. Ch.	Altamont, N. Y., Rev.	
			Geo. W. Furbeck.....	20 00
	3.	First	" Hasbrouck Heights, N.	
			J., Rev. P. T. Pock-	
			man, D. D.	10 00
	8.	First	" Grand Rapids, Mich.,	
			Rev. J. Alex. Brown..	30 00
	8.	First Holl.	" Paterson, N. J., Rev.	
			P. Siegers	30 00
	8.		" Fairview, Ill., Rev. J.	
			P. Winter	20 00
	8.	First Van V.	" Jersey City, N. J., Rev.	
			W. Reese Hart.....	20 00
	15.	American	" Newburgh, N. Y., Rev.	
			M. Seymour Purdy...	12 20
	16.		" Clifton, N. J., Rev. J.	
			C. A. Becker.....	30 00
	16.	First	" Cossackie, N. Y., Rev.	
			Wm. A. Dumont.....	10 03
	20.		" Lisha's Kill, N. Y., Rev.	
			J. O. Van Fleet.....	20 00
	22.	First	" College Point, N. Y.,	
			Rev. Henry Sluyter..	30 00
	22.	Third	" Muskegon, Mich., Rev.	
			John Broek	10 00
	22.		" Portage, N. Y., Rev.	
			Wm. S. Gruys	7 00
	24.	Collegiate	" Harlem, N. Y. City, Rev.	
			Edgar Tilton, Jr....	20 00
	25.	Broadway	" Paterson, N. J., Rev.	
			Simon Blocker	6 50
	26.		" Canajoharie, N. Y., Rev.	
			Victor J. Blekkink..	20 00
	26.	People's Park	" Paterson, N. J., Rev.	
			Titus Hager	40 00
	26.	Second	" Cossackie, N. Y., Rev.	
			Chas. F. Stube	20 00
	30.	Miss. Soc'y	" Pompton Plains, N. J.,	
			Rev. F. E. Foertner..	20 00
	31.	First	" New Brunswick, N. J.,	
			Rev. J. S. Hogan.....	8 00
	31.		" Florida, N. Y., Rev. R.	
			A. Pearse	5 00
	31.	First	" Zeeland, Mich., Rev. P.	
			P. Cheff	30 00
Nov.	2.		" West Sayville, N. Y.,	
			Rev. C. Muller.....	20 00
	2.		" Lester, Rock Rapids, Ia.,	
			Rev. Fred. G. Dekker	20 00
	2.	First	" Grand Haven, Mich.,	
			Rev. Hy. Harmeling..	20 00
	2.	Pella	" Pella, Neb., Rev. Wm.	
			Rottschaefer	14 50
	8.		" Neshanic, N. J., Rev.	
			John Hart	3 70
	8.		" Flatbush, N. Y., Rev.	
			J. Fred. Berg.....	40 00
	13.	Twelfth St.	" Brooklyn, N. Y., Rev.	
			Jno. C. Rauscher.....	20 00
	15.	Trinity	" Plainfield, N. J., Rev.	
			Jno. Y. Broek	20 35
	19.	First	" Chicago, Ill., Rev. Hy.	
			Schipper	25 00
	22.	First	" Maurice, Iowa, Rev.	
			John Vanderbeek....	22 83
Dec.	8.	Bergen	" Jersey City, N. J., Rev.	
			C. Brett, D. D.	20 00
	13.	Madison Ave.	" Albany, N. Y., Rev. N.	
			I. M. Bogert.....	20 00
	14.	Sandham Mem.	" Monroe, S. D., Rev. Jno.	
			A. Roggen.....	20 00
	15.	Second	" Englewood, Ill., Rev.	
			L. Dykstra	17 10
	17.		" Cedar Grove, Wis., Rev.	
			C. Kuyper	30 00

1918.			
Jan.	2.	Bethany Ref. Ch.	Clara City, Minn., Rev. C. Bauer 30 00
	5.	Broadway	" Paterson, N. J., Rev. Simon Blocker 8 08
	7.	S. S.	" Hospers, Iowa, Rev. G. H. Douwstra 20 00
	10.	First	" Roseland, Ill., Rev. J. F. Heemstra 30 00
	11.	Linlithgo	" Livingston, N. Y., Rev. M. J. Den Herder.... 20 00
	11.	American	" Newburgh, N. Y., Rev. M. Seymour Purdy... 12 96
	14.		" Linden, N. J., Rev. Wm. Schmitz 5 65
	11.	First	" Long Island City, N. Y., Rev. D. P. Doyle..... 7 00
	11.	S. S. First	" Long Island City, N. Y., Rev. D. P. Doyle..... 8 00
	17.	Bethel Mem.	" Aplington, Iowa, Rev. E. K. Russman 40 00
	23.		" Mt. Vernon, N. Y., Rev. C. H. Tyndall 5 70
	23.	S. Bushwick	" Brooklyn, N. Y., Rev. Andrew J. Meyer.... 20 00
	31.	First Van V.	" Jersey City, N. J., Rev. W. Reese Hart, bal... 10 00
Feb.	2.	First	" Somerville, N. J., Rev. Wm. S. Cranmer.... 5 06
	7.	Third	" Pella, Iowa, Rev. P. Braak 40 00
	12.		" Neshanic, N. J., Rev. John Hart 1 75
	12.	Ladies' Aid and	Missionary Society, Gano, Chicago, Ill., Rev. John Sietsma 5 00
	19.	First	" Somerville, N. J., Rev. Wm. S. Cranmer.... 20 00
Mch.	1.	Second	" New Brunswick, N. J., Rev. John A. Ingham... 30 00
	5.	L. M. S., First	" Long Island City, N. Y., Rev. D. P. Doyle.... 10 00
	14.	Union	" Paterson, N. J., Rev. A. Karreman 30 00
	18.	Dorcas Soc'y	" Wellsburg, Ia., Rev. Wm. Landsiedel 30 00
	23.	Sixth Holl.	" Paterson, N. J., Rev. H. P. Schuurman 30 00
	28.	Holland	" Clifton, N. J., Rev. J. H. E. TeGrootenhuis... 20 00
	30.	Second	" Marion, N. Y., Rev. John Wolterink 5 66
Apr.	1.	Free Grace	" Middleburg, Ia., Rev. H. Douwstra 40 00
	1.	Fourth	" Grand Rapids, Mich., Rev. H. Frieling..... 20 00
	3.	Second	" Rochester, N. Y., Rev. John A. Thurston 10 00
	4.	Clinton Ave.	" Newark, N. J., Rev. Albertus T. Broek..... 20 00
	4.	Ninth	" Grand Rapids, Mich., Rev. John Van West- enburg 7 00
	5.	Broadway	" Paterson, N. J., Rev. Simon Blocker 7 99
	5.	American	" Newburgh, N. Y., Rev. M. Seymour Purdy... 12 96
	6.	St. John's Ger.	" Jersey City, N. J., Rev. G. Andreae 40 00
	6.		" Beacon, N. Y., Rev. A. C. V. Dangremond... 20 00
	10.		" Mt. Vernon, N. Y., Rev. C. H. Tyndall 11 21
	11.	First	" Orange City, Ia., Rev. John Engelsman 40 00

12.	Emmanuel Ref. Ch.	Castleton, N. Y., Rev. E. A. McCullum	20 00
15.	Fifth St.	" Bayonne, N. J., Rev. F. S. Wilson	40 00
15.	"	" Metuchen, N. J., Rev. I. W. Van Zanten	20 00
16.	"	" Linden, N. J., Rev. Wm. Schmitz	4 35
16.	"	" Fultonville, N. Y., Rev. Theo. A. Hageman	20 00
18.	Cortlandtown	" Montrose, N. Y., Rev. Claus Olandt	20 00
18.	First Ger. Ev.	" Jersey City, N. J., Rev. Geo. C. Muller	40 00
19.	First	" Maurice, Iowa, Rev. J. Vander Beek	24 32
20.	Bethany	" Chicago, Ill., Rev. John Lamar	40 00
20.	First	" Albany, N. Y., Rev. Jas. S. Kittell	20 00
22.	No. Blendon	" Hudsonville, Mich., Rev. J. J. Burggraaff	3 00
22.	Ebenezer	" Morrison, Ill., Rev. Jean A. Vis	20 40
22.	Bethel	" Leota, Minn., Rev. J. J. V. D. Schaaf	2 50
22.	Bethel	" Leota, Minn., Rev. J. J. V. D. Schaaf	12 50
24.	First	" North Yakima, Wash., Rev. B. Van Heuvelen	25 00
25.	Grove	" New Durham, N. J., Rev. I. W. Gowen, D. D.	20 00
26.	First	" Grand Rapids, Mich., Rev. J. Alex. Brown	30 00
29.	Fifth	" Philadelphia, Pa., Rev. C. F. C. Suckow	20 00
29.	"	" Alvord, Iowa, Rev. D. Scholten	4 60
29.	Zion	" Grand Rapids, Mich., Rev. R. Bloemendaal	10 00
30.	"	" Neshanic, N. J., Rev. John Hart	2 00
30.	"	" Fonda, N. Y., Rev. H. C. Cussler	30 00
30.	Fourth	" Raritan, N. J., Rev. Hy. J. Wahl	7 50

\$2,801 02

Cash received from ministers for annual payments to the Widows' Fund, during the year, viz:

1917.			
May	1.	Rev. J. H. Schoon	\$20 00
	9.	" B. Van Huevelen	2 00
	16.	" O. J. Hogan	10 00
	21.	" J. G. Brouwer	6 45
	21.	" S. W. Ryder	30 00
	31.	" H. J. Pietenpol	13 00
	31.	" B. M. Flikkema	12 28
June	5.	" Henry W. Brink	20 00
	5.	" Jas. Ossewaarde	20 00
	6.	" John Baumeister	20 00
	19.	" Herman DeWitt, on account	10 00
	26.	" Theo. F. Bayles	30 00
July	2.	" Benj. F. White	2 00
	3.	" Garret Hondelink	20 00
	5.	" S. O. Lawsing	20 00
	13.	" John G. Gebhard	20 00
	19.	" James Cantine	20 00
	23.	" John Hoffman	20 00
	24.	" E. E. Calverly	20 00
	24.	" A. L. Warnshuis	20 00
	24.	" B. Rottschaefer	20 00
	24.	" L. R. Scudder	20 00

July	24.	Rev. W. T. Scudder	20 00
	24.	J. H. Warnshuis	20 00
	24.	E. S. Booth	20 00
	24.	D. C. Ruigh	30 00
	24.	W. G. Hockje	20 00
	24.	H. V. S. Peeke	20 00
	24.	A. Pieters	20 00
	24.	A. Oltmans	20 00
	26.	John A. Thurston	10 00
	31.	Ira Van Allen	20 00
	31.	Chas. S. Wright	20 00
Aug.	3.	William Pool, on account	4 45
	14.	W. J. Van Kersen	20 00
	20.	John Webbinga	30 00
	20.	J. E. Lyall	20 00
	30.	John Ossewaarde	20 00
Sept.	1.	H. Parmkuk	20 00
	1.	J. Meulendyke	20 00
	11.	Frank S. Scudder	20 00
	14.	Edward G. Read	20 00
	14.	L. B. Chamberlain	20 00
	21.	Geo. W. Labaw	20 00
	21.	Jesse W. Brooks	20 00
	27.	P. S. Beekman	20 00
	27.	Hy. Unglaub	20 00
	29.	Laurence Dykstra	33 00
	29.	John Van Westenburg	20 00
Oct.	1.	G. C. Dangremond	20 00
	1.	John H. Straks	20 00
	1.	O. J. Hogan, balance	10 00
	1.	Peter Crispell	20 00
	8.	Geo. W. Gulick	20 00
	11.	A. J. Reeves	20 00
	11.	James Cantine	20 00
	13.	Matthew Kelyn	20 00
	13.	John S. Gardner	20 00
	16.	S. M. Hogenboom	40 00
	16.	John L. Stillwell	20 00
	16.	Wm. A. DuMont	9 97
	22.	P. H. Milliken, D. D.	20 00
	22.	John Broek	10 00
	23.	Henry J. Scudder	20 00
	25.	W. S. Maines	10 00
	29.	William Pool, balance	25 00
	29.	A. F. Beyer	20 00
	29.	John Van Ess	30 00
	31.	R. A. Pearse	15 00
Nov.	1.	Wm. Schmitz	20 00
	2.	Richard H. Harper	15 00
	2.	Wm. Rottschaefer	5 50
	5.	Isaac Sperling	20 00
	5.	John Luxen	20 00
	5.	H. Vander Ploeg	20 00
	8.	Ame Vennema, D. D.	20 00
	8.	Andw. Hageman	4 68
	14.	Jas. L. Amerman, D. D.	20 00
	15.	Henride Vries	10 00
	19.	Henry Schipper	5 00
	30.	Henry D. Cook	20 00
Dec.	7.	E. J. Blekkink	20 00
Jan.	12.	Wm. S. Gruys, balance	23 00
	29.	S. Van der Werf	20 00
Feb.	25.	D. Wortman, D. D.	20 00
Mar.	4.	Jno. A. Thurston, balance, 1917	10 00
	13.	A. DeW. Mason, D. D.	20 00
	19.	John H. Gillespie, D. D.	20 00
Apr.	4.	John Van Westenburg	13 00
	5.	John C. Forbes	30 00
	8.	F. C. Scoville	20 00
	8.	Fred'k Mueller	20 00
	16.	John Giestema, balance	8 00
	18.	G. DeJonge	20 00
	19.	F. S. Schenck	20 00
	19.	Rich'd H. Harper, on account	15 00
	22.	A. Klerk	20 00

Apr. 29.	Rev. J. J. Burggraaff	34 00	
27.	" J. H. Schoon	20 00	
29.	" D. Schotten	15 40	
29.	" R. Bloemendal	30 00	
29.	" F. Reeverts	20 00	
29.	" S. C. Nettinga	20 00	
30.	" H. C. Willoughby	30 00	
30.	" W. E. Compton, on account	15 00	
30.	" D. P. Doyle, balance	5 00	
30.	" John Black	18 40	
30.	" John Hart, balance, 1916	10 25	
30.	" John Hart, balance, 1917	12 55	
30.	" James Ossewaarde	20 00	
30.	" C. L. Palmer	30 00	
Total			\$2,072 93

DISABLED MINISTERS' FUND.

Received Personal Contributions, during the year, viz:

April 30, 1918.		
Am. District Telegraph Co., interest	\$100 00	
Mrs. C. L. Wells	100 00	
Mrs. John D. Parsons, Jr.	100 00	
Mrs. Hannah M. Bishop	50 00	
Rev. Wm. Bancroft Hill, D. D.	100 00	
Two Friends	50 00	
Mr. A. A. Raven	50 00	
Mr. L. Kerr	25 00	
Mr. Chas. Hilton Brown	25 00	
Mrs. Electa H. Jube	12 50	
A Member of First Reformed Church, Sioux Center, Ia.	12 50	
Friend in Jersey	10 00	
Rev. Edw. G. Read, D. D.	10 00	
Mr. David S. Moore	10 00	
National Bank of Newburgh, dividend	16 00	
Rev. S. M. Zwemer, D. D.	5 00	
Rev. and Mrs. Geo. W. Gulick	5 00	
Rev. A. DeW. Mason, D. D.	5 00	
Mr. Arthur G. Vedder	2 00	
Dec. 31, 1917, and protest, etc.	1 55	
Mr. John Vanderbilt	1 00	
Liberty Bond, four per cent., coupon \$50	87	
A Friend, Grand Rapids, Mich.	50	
		\$691 92

Received from Churches, during year, for detail refer to
Tabular Statement in Minutes of General Synod,
1918

\$9,425 91

Total \$10,117 83

ARCOT THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY FUND, interest
received \$4,650 99

BOARD OF EDUCATION:

For Permanent Seminary Fund	\$500 00	
Contingent Expenses of the Western Theological Sem- inary	500 00	
		\$1,000 00

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE SALARY FUND OF THE
WESTERN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY \$4,610 00INSURANCE RECEIVED FOR FIRE AT BANGER
FLATS, BROOKLYN \$10,582 00

MISCELLANEOUS CONTRIBUTIONS:

Reformed Church, Chatham, N. Y.	\$5 22	
Received for Church Building Fund	37 17	
Contingent Expenses of Western Theological Seminary	255 49	
For Expenses of the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick	1,961 09	
		\$2,258 97

INTEREST RECEIVED FROM INVESTMENTS.....		\$71,559 63
RENTS:		
Alida Van Schaick	\$2,349 38	
Charged to Boards	7,180 21	
Real Estate owned	5,182 62	
		<hr/> \$14,712 21
MISCELLANEOUS REFUNDS:		
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, Stated Clerk, unexpended advance		
Entertainment Fund	\$120 89	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, Stated Clerk, unexpended advance		
for the Expense Fund	232 10	
Property, 25 East 22nd Street, refund of expenses....	175 68	
Insurance premiums refunded	56 02	
		<hr/> \$584 69
Total		\$248,776 97
BOND AND MORTGAGE LOANS		\$40,000 00
REAL ESTATE, cost obtaining titles		\$1,622 93
PROPERTY, 25 East 22nd Street, N. Y., alterations etc., including amounts reimbursed by Boards		\$5,411 98
FUND INCOME PAYMENTS:		
Education Fund	\$10,961 98	
Parochial School Fund	546 72	
Donation of Colonel Henry Rutgers	240 30	
JOHN ANTONIDES, Scholarship Fund	4,613 97	
Bequest of Hiram J. Meenk	18 25	
JAMES SUYDAM, Professional Fund	2,850 71	
GEORGE A. SUYDAM, Scholarship Fund	190 05	
JAMES SUYDAM, for repairs and improvements pro- fessional dwellings	529 04	
MRS. A. HERZOG, for repairs to Peter Herzog Hall.....	475 12	
BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS	579 93	
BOARD OF DOMESTIC MISSIONS	720 23	
HOPE COLLEGE ENDOWMENT FUND	2,138 09	
A. C. VAN RAALTE PROFESSORSHIP of Didachiand Po- lemic Theology in Western Theological Seminary	1,700 00	
C. VAN DER MEULEN second Professorship in Western Theological Seminary	1,700 00	
JAMES H. H. CORNELL PROFESSORSHIP of Historical The- ology in Western Theological Seminary	1,700 00	
FOURTH PROFESSORSHIP IN WESTERN THEOL. SEMINARY PROPERTY AND CONTINGENT FUND of Western Theological Seminary	307 59	
MARGARET ANTOINETTE THOMPSON FUND	95 02	
G. A. SAGE ENDOWMENT for support and maintenance of Peter Herzog Hall	1,187 80	
ENDOWMENT FUND for support and maintenance of G. A. Sage Library	1,663 63	
ENDOWMENT FUND for the purchase of books for G. A. Sage Library	950 24	
G. A. SAGE, Professional Fund	2,750 00	
JAMES SUYDAM, for support and maintenance of James Suydam Hall	950 24	
JAMES SUYDAM LEGACY, for repairs and improvements of Seminary buildings and grounds	950 24	
CHURCH BUILDING FUND	261 81	
LIBRARY ALCOVE ENDOWMENT	817 87	
ABRAHAM J. SWITS SCHOLARSHIP FUND in Western The- ological Seminary	256 30	
ANGELINA SILVERNAIL FUND	1,235 88	
LIBRARY OF THEOL. SEMINARY, New Brunswick, N. J.	237 56	
S. HELEN KNEISKERN ANNUITY	50 00	
BOARD OF PUBLICATION	104 20	
MRS. ANN HERZOG MEMORIAL FUND	1,015 86	
ALUMNI ENDOWMENT FUND for Theological Seminary, New Brunswick, N. J.	300 00	
PROPERTY FUND of the Theological Seminary, New Brunswick, N. J.	690 63	

LEGACY OF REV. PETER LEPELTAK in trust for Arabian Missions	71 50	
LEGACY OF ABBIE J. BELL, income in perpetuity to be credited one-half each to Disabled Ministers' Fund Income and Permanent Seminary Fund Income..	10 45	
BEQUEST OF ANNIE M. VAN ZANDT in trust	200 00	
PROF. JAMES T. ZWEMER, Emeritus	1,700 00	
PROF. JOHN H. RAVEN	62 46	
SPECIAL FUND for expenses of Theological Seminary, New Brunswick, N. J.	366 23	
PERMANENT SEMINARY FUND	9,252 02	
ARCOT THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY FUND	4,427 14	
CONTINGENT EXPENSES of the Western Theol. Seminary ..	736 75	
ALIDA VAN SCHAIK LEGACY	5,652 63	
Total		\$66,968 44
WIDOWS' FUND, Payments		\$15,341 47
DISABLED MINISTERS' FUND, Appropriations		15,787 22
REV. D. WORTMAN, D. D., services in behalf of Disabled Ministers' and Widows' Funds		1,375 00
ENTERTAINMENT OF DELEGATES, Etc.		2,809 25
EXPENSE ACCOUNT, sundry payments		5,358 71
REAL ESTATE, taxes, insurance, repairs, etc.		3,148 34
PROPERTY EXPENSES, 25 East 22nd Street, janitor and assistants	\$1,690 00	
Light, fuel, repairs, etc.	1,654 31	
		\$3,344 31
APPORTIONED TO BOARDS:		
Treasurer's Salary	\$2,500 00	
Expenses of Treasurer's Office	546 06	
Assistants	120 79	
Premium on Treasurer's Bond	25 00	
Auditors	100 00	
Stationery postage, etc.	75 48	
Telephone	29 35	
Total		\$3,396 68
Balance on hand		\$80,212 64
		<u>\$248,776 97</u>

FRANK R. VAN NEST,
Treasurer.

New York, May 28, 1918.

The subscribers having examined the accounts of Frank R. Van Nest, with the vouchers exhibited by him find them to be correct, having a balance of eighty thousand two hundred and twelve dollars and sixty-four cents in the Corn Exchange Bank. Also bonds and mortgages, bonds, etc., amounting to \$1,740,672.90.

JOHN M. KYLE,
JOSEPH R. DURYEE.

EXPENSE ACCOUNT OF THE GENERAL SYNOD.

To Cash, Exchange on out of town cheques.....	\$8 35	
160 Reports of the B'd of Direction and 500 interest notices	21	
Safe deposit, rent of safe.....	35	
General receipt book for treasurer.....	8 75	
Pro rata share of Bullinger's Guide.....	1 75	
		\$74 85
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. C. advance for Synod exp.	100	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, salary to June 3, '17....	125	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, salary to June 3, '18.....	500	
Rev. C. P. Case, salary as P. Clk. to June 3, '17	300	
Rev. C. P. Case, advance on acc. exps. of Gen. Synod	50	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. Clk. exps. to Sept. 18, '17	18 61	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. Clk. exps. to Sept. 15, '17	26 32	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. Clk., postage, stationery and printing	15 16	
E. J. Webster, stenographic report proceedings of Gen. Synod	275	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. C., paid 172 cheques trav. exps. of delegates	2,317 97	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. C., paid car fare reporter and Dr. Wortman	5 50	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. C., telegram to Pres. Wilson	1 49	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. C., paid Rev. J. B. Hunter Com. exps.	4 60	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. C., paid printing Church statistical report	15 50	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. C., paid Per. Clk. incidental exp. acc.	15 15	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. C., Rev. P. Moerdyke inc. postage, etc.	5	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. C., paid S. C. trav. exps. postages, etc.	31 43	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. C., paid Asbury Park Church	50	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. C., paid Rev. E. P. Johnson trav. exp. of Com.	3 47	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. C., paid Press Clk's exp	23 02	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. C., paid Press Clk's sal.	50	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. C., paid telegrams and telephone at hotel	2 46	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. C., paid printing of Com. on Rules of Order	4 50	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. C., paid stenographer...	24 01	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. C., paid Rev. J. M. Farrar Com. exps.	5 35	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. C., paid Rev. E. P. Johnson Com. exps.	11 96	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. C., paid Rev. I. W. Gowen, correspondent delegate to Ref. Ch. in U. S.	31 25	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. C., paid printing Synod's stationery	3 50	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. C., paid Rev. J. S. Hogan Ch. Com. on Correspondence	8 90	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. C., paid printing programs	72 00	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. C., paid unexpended bal. of advance	112 94	
		4,210 09
Share of cost 1,200 hymns and tunes per Rev. E. P. Johnson	11 22	
Rev. E. P. Johnson, exps. of Joint Com. on Hymnal, stationery, hotel meals, etc.....	25 01	
Rev. E. P. Johnson, trav. exps. to Phila. R. Ch. section Joint Com. on Hymnal, also 5 trips to N. Y.	22 07	
Rev. E. P. Johnson, trav. exps. to N. Y. and Phila. meetings of on Hymnal, 9 trips....	18 69	

Revs. W. P. Bruce and A. F. Mabon, trav. exps. attdg. Joint Com. preparing new Hymnal..	19 55	
Revs. Engelsman, Nettinga and Vanden Berg, attdg meeting Bd. of Supts W. T. Sem....	28 80	96 54
Revs. I. W. Gowen and A. Vanden Berg, attdg meeting Bd. of Supts. W. T. Sem....	31 10	
Revs. J. G. Gebhard and J. Larmar attdg meeting Council of Hope College.....	40 25	
Premium on insurance on Hope Coll. Bldgs. \$35,000	262 50	362 65
Rev. W. H. S. Demarest, Ch'm of Com. on Nominating Professor, one-half the exp. trips to Holland and Chicago	30	
Revs. W. P. Bruce and A. F. Mabon, trav. exp. attdg. meeting of Com. on Hymnal....	15 84	45 84
Rev. J. Addison Jones, trav. exps. 3 trips to Washington attdg. meeting Food Conservation	50	
Rev. J. Addison Jones, trav. exps. to New Brunswick on acc. installation of Prof. Jno. W. Beardslee, Jr.	8 50	
Revs. T. H. Mackenzie and Hy. J. Veldman, trav. exps. meeting of Council of Ref. Chs. in America at Phila.	30 11	
Supplies for Reformation Celebration	18	
Rev. E. W. Miller, exps. in re 400th anniversary of Reformation	38 56	
Pro rata of exps. of Alliance of Ref'd Churches in America	160	
Pro rata of exps. of Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America	132	
Pro rata of exps. of Council of Ref. Chs. in U. S. holding Presby. system	50	
9000 Pamphlets and State of Religion Ref. Ch. in America	71 50	
500 Pamphlets Adam Monsell Sayre and express	10 07	
	\$5,358 71	
Balance	3,260 56	
	\$8,619 27	
By Cash Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. C., refund of unexpended balance for expenses of Gen. Synod		\$112 94
Refund exchange on out of town cheques....		1 16
Rev. E. W. Miller refund of overpayment....		18 00
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. C., refund of advance for expenses of Gen. Synod.....		100
Contingent expenses and traveling exps. of delegates		6,365 16
By balance from last account		2,022 01
		\$8,619 27
By balance brought down		\$3,260 56

FRANK R. VAN NEST,
Treasurer.

New York, May 1, 1918.

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ANNUAL DIGEST.

The Board of Direction submits to General Synod its Annual Digest, as follows:

(For Detail of Cash Received or Distributed see Treasurer's Report).

I.

FOR THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, AT
NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J.

	Principal Invested.	Income on hand.
THE "GARDNER A. SAGE ENDOWMENT."		
For the purchase of books for the Gardner A. Sage Library	\$20,000 00	\$517 71
THE "REV. ARCHIBALD LAIDLIE, D. D." MEMORIAL FUND.		
Principal to be invested and income used for seminary printing, exclusive of the Catalogue	5,000 00	466 98
THE ALUMNI ENDOWMENT FUND.		
Balance per statement of condition.....	6,636 01	886 61
NATHAN F. GRAVES LECTURE FUND.		
Balance per statement of condition.....	8,114 00	757 82
THE JAMES ANDERSON MEMORIAL FUND.		
For Elocution	1,222 85	
AUGUSTUS ELMENDORF THEOLOGICAL EDUCATIONAL FUND.		
Legacy of Jane Helen Elmendorf, for education of Theological Students	2,383 00	222 56

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PERMANENT SEMINARY FUND.

	Principal Invested.	Income on hand.
Invested, as per balance sheet.....	\$154,272 37	
Invested Fourth Professorial Fund	32,597 66	
Invested Thomas DeWitt Professorship	11,015 00	
Interest on hand April 30, 1918.....		8,936 58

THE "JAMES SUYDAM ENDOWMENT."

For Professorship of Didactic and Polemic Theology	60,000 00	878 14
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THE "GARDNER A. SAGE ENDOWMENT."

For Professorship of Old Testament Languages and Exegis	50,000 00	169 29
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THE "RALPH VOORHEES" FUND.

For Professorship of Hellenistic Greek and New Testament Exegesis	25,000 00	
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THE "JAMES SUYDAM" LEGACY.

For maintenance and support of James Suydam Hall	20,000 00	517 71
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THE "JAMES SUYDAM" LEGACY.

For repairs and improvements of the Buildings and Grounds	20,000 00	517 71
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THE "JAMES SUYDAM" FUND.

For repairs and improvements of the Professorial Dwellings	11,135 00	260 94
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THE "GARDNER A. SAGE" ENDOWMENT.

For maintenance and support of the Gardner A. Sage Library	35,015 00	856 70
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THE "GARDNER A. SAGE" ENDOWMENT.

For maintenance and support of the Peter Hertzog Hall	25,000 00	597 15
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	Principal Invested.	Income on hand.
LEGACY OF MRS. ANN HERTZOG.		
"The income to be applied to keeping in good order and repair the Peter Hertzog Hall".....	10,000 00	258 85
LIBRARY ALCOVE ENDOWMENT FUND.		
For maintenance of the Gardner A. Sage Library	18,214 42	387 91
THE "ANGELINA SILVERNAIL" FUND.		
For maintenance and support of the Seminary....	25,000 00	813 24
THE SPECIAL FUND.		
For current expenses		1,391 99
PROPERTY FUND.		
For care and improvement of property.....	14,536 48	416 99
THE "CATSKILL CHURCH FACULTY FUND."		
For administration, lecture, etc.....	5,000 00	466 98
"GEORGE AUGUSTUS SANDHAM SCHOLAR- SHIP.		
Balance per statement of condition	4,000 00	318 11
LIBRARY OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMI- NARY, NEW BRUNSWICK.		
Purchase of books for Vedder Alcove.....	5,000 00	229 42
MRS. ANN HERTZOG MEMORIAL FUND.		
Income to be used in and about P. Hertzog Hall..	75,000 00	4,516 95
LEGACY OF MRS. ANNA H. CARVER.		
Memorial of Mrs. Hertzog	25,000 00	2,334 94

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	Principal Invested.	Income on hand.
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PROFESSORIAL DWELLING FUND.

Proceeds of sale of gore of land College Ave. and Seminary Pl.		49 93
Museum of the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick, N. J.	2,000 00	91 77

II.

FOR RUTGERS COLLEGE,
AT NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J.

THE VAN BENSCHOOTEN FUND.

Not on Books but reported by H. P. Schneeweiss, Esq., Treasurer of Rutgers College. Invested on bonds, secured by mortgages	20,000 00	
Total amount of Fund	\$20,000 00	

Interest Account.

Receipts.

Total interest income for year ending March 31, 1917	1,000 00	
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Payments.

Allowance on Salary of Professor of Ethics and Evidence of Christianity	1,000 00	
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DONATION OF COL. HENRY RUTGERS.

Amount held in trust for Rutgers College.....	5,000 00	240 16
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KNOX FUND.

Not on Books but reported by H. P. Schneeweiss,
Esq., Treasurer of Rutgers College.

Principal Account.

Present amount of Fund invested in bonds and mortgages		3,000 00
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	Principal Invested.	Income on hand.
Interest account receipts.		
Total interest income for year ending March 31, 1918		150 00
(No student in this Fund this year).		

III.

**FOR HOPE COLLEGE,
AT HOLLAND, MICHIGAN.**

ENDOWMENT FUND.

Balance per statement of condition	53,420 06	651 22
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IV.

**FOR THE WESTERN THEOLOGICAL
SEMINARY, AT HOLLAND, MICHIGAN.**

THE ALBERTUS C. VAN RAALTE PROFES-
SORSHIP OF DIDACTIC AND POLEMIC
THEOLOGY.

Balance per statement of condition.....	30,000 00
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THE CORNELIUS VANDER MEULEN PRO-
FESSORSHIP OF BIBLICAL LANGUAGES
AND LITERATURE.

Balance per statement of condition	30,000 00
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THE JAMES A. H. CORNELL PROFESSOR-
SHIP OF HISTORICAL THEOLOGY.

Invested, as per balance sheet.....	24,000 00
Donald Sage Mackay Scholarship	5,000 00
George Augustus Sandham Scholarship.....	1,000 00

THE FOURTH THEOLOGICAL PROFES-
SORSHIP.

Legacy of John Lemmenes	480 50
Legacy of Kommer Schaddelee	6,857 09
Legacy of Rev. Peter Lepeltak	1,505 50

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	Principal Invested.	Income on hand.
Contribution, per Prof. J. F. Zwemer.....	1,150 00	
Contribution, per Prof. J. F. Zwemer.....	25 00	
Interest on hand, April 30, 1918.....		\$35 69

THE FIFTH THEOLOGICAL PROFESSOR-
SHIP.

Legacy of Jacob Den Herder.....	1,000 00	
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PROPERTY AND CONTINGENT FUND.

Balance per statement of condition.....	10,681 30	113 95
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SALARY FUND.

Balance per statement of condition		2,635 46
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LEGACY OF HIRAM J. MEENK.

Income to be applied to the support and education of young men preparing for the ministry in the Western Seminary	384 00	2 27
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ABRAHAM J. SWIT'S SCHOLARSHIP FUND.

Balance per statement of condition.....	1,825 00	83 74
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V.

FOR EDUCATION.

GENERAL EDUCATION FUND.

Balance per statement of condition	230,858 74	1,793 95
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PAROCHIAL SCHOOL FUND.

Balance per statement of condition.....	11,507 50	67 73
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JOHN ANTONIDES SCHOLARSHIP FUND.

Legacy of John Antonides, on account	97,111 73	571 58
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MARGARET ANTOINETTE THOMPSON
FUND.

Income to be applied to poor students preparing for the ministry in the Reformed Church in America	2,000 00	11 77
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	Principal Invested.	Income on hand.
ARCOT THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY FUND.		
Invested, as per balance sheet	46,900 00	
On hand, uninvested principal	2,942 60	553 76
Real Estate	8,831 18	

VI.
MISCELLANEOUS FUNDS.

THE WIDOWS' FUND.

Invested, as per balance sheet.....	122,732 14	
Payments at one time by ministers.....	1,250 00	
Income on hand April 30, 1918.....		12,793 98

DISABLED MINISTERS' FUND.

As per balance sheet May 1, 1917.....	207,350 25	
Madison Ave. Reformed Church, New York City	2,500 00	
Legacy Elizabeth Diehl	2,000 00	
Liberty Bond, from General Synod, 1917.....	50 00	
	\$211,900 25	
Balance income on hand April 30, 1918.....		13,616 46

FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Legacy of Nicholas F. Vedder.....	\$4,386 23	
Legacy of Rev. John Venderveer, D. D.....	950 00	
Legacy of John Antonides.....	4,728 00	
From family of the late Rev. Goyen Talmage, D. D.	250 00	
Legacy of Phoebe Cowanhoven	891 85	
Legacy of Jane C. Morris, Morris Memorial.....	1,000 00	
Balance of interest on hand April 30, 1918.....		285 07

ARABIAN MISSIONS.

Legacy of Rev. Peter Lepeltak	1,505 50	69 06
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FOR DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

Legacy of Nicholas F. Vedder	4,386 23	
Legacy of Rachel Ann Ryerson	2,000 00	
Legacy of Rev. J. Vanderveer, D. D.....	950 00	

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	Principal Invested.	Income on hand.
Legacy of Jane Helen Elmendorf.....	953 00	
Legacy of John Antonides	4,728 00	
From the family of the late Rev. Goyñ Talmage, D. D.	250 00	
Legacy of Phoebe Cowanhoven.....	891 85	
Legacy of Jane C. Morris, Morris Memorial....	1,000 00	
Balance of interest on hand April 30, 1918.....		345 58

CHURCH BUILDING FUND.

Legacy of John Antonides	4,728 00	
Balance of interest on hand April 30, 1918.....		116 95

ALIDA VAN SCHAICK LEGACY.

Balance per statement of condition.....	109,669 10	2,159 51
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S. HELEN KNIESKERN LEGACY.

Balance per statement of condition	1,000 00	50 00
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BOARD OF PUBLICATION.

Legacy of N. F. Vedder	2,193 12	50 63
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PERMANENT CONTINGENT FUND.

Balance per statement of condition.....	10,423 80	
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FUND FOR ENTERTAINMENT OF SYNOD- ICAL DELEGATES.

Amount April 30, 1918		2,847 97
Annie M. Van Zandt Trust Fund	4,000 00	
Legacy of Mrs. Mary B. Pell for benefit of Theo. Sem., New Brunswick	13 91	
Legacy of Abie J. Bell income to be divided one- half each to Permanent Seminary Fund and Disabled Ministers' Fund	220 00	10 10

ENDOWMENT SCHOLARSHIPS

in the

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARIES, ETC., EAST AND WEST

May 1, 1918.

	Principal Invested.
Van Rensselaer	1,700 00
Wm. Patterson Van Rensselaer.....	1,700 00
Rutgers	1,700 00
Heyer	1,700 00
Cornell	2,000 00
Wyckoff	2,500 00
Margaret Burgess	1,700 00
John Clark	3,000 00
James Bogert, Jr.	2,000 00
Isaac L. Kipp	1,700 00
Tannake Turk	1,700 00
Richard Cadmus	2,000 00
Stryker	2,000 00
Hornbeck, Two Scholarships	4,000 00
Freeborn	2,000 00
James Bogert, Jr., Second Scholarship.....	2,000 00
Cuyler	2,000 00
Margaret Ten Eyck	2,000 00
Catalina Ten Eyck	2,000 00
Daniel L. Schanck	3,000 00
Moses Cowen	2,500 00
Bequest of Samuel Gates	1,745 98
Theodore Frelinghuysen De Witt	2,500 00
James Suydam. Four Scholarship	12,000 00
Edward Lansing Pruyn	2,500 00
Maria R. Lefferts	8,402 64
Garret Y. Lansing	2,500 00
Ernest Blois	2,500 00
Bequest of Joshua Hornbeck	2,000 00
Bequest of Ann James	2,500 00
Bequests of James B. Laing	7,500 00
Louisa Hasbrouck	5,000 00
Jacob Polhemus	2,500 00
Abram Storms	2,000 00
Gardner A. Sage. Two Scholarships	5,000 00

Amount carried forward

\$103,548 62

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Principal
Invested.
\$103,548 62

Amount brought forward.....		
Bequest of Maria Van Antwerp. For the James Van Antwerp Scholarship	2,522 72	
Bequest of Jane Brinkerhoff.....	5,000 00	
Bequest of Frederick J. Hosford. For Frederick Hosford Scholarship	2,500 00	
Bequest of David A. Jones.....	3,000 00	
Bequest of Robert Gaston	2,000 00	
Bequest of John Antonides	97,111 73	
Bequest of Peter P. Schoonmaker.....	2,850 00	
Bequest of Sarah Benham	7,397 60	
Bequest of James E. Hedges. For James E. Hedges Scholarship	2,500 00	
Bequest of Mary A. Bogardus. For James W. Bogardus Scholarship	3,000 00	
Bequest of Elias J. Hendrickson	10,000 00	
Bequest of Margaret Antoinette Thompson.....	2,000 00	
Bequest of Elizabeth H. Monroe. For Monroe Scholarship	2,500 00	
Sarah Suydam Lott, per Peter Lott.....	3,000 00	
Legacy of Anthony Rue	2,740 00	
Bequest of Dr. Edward L. Beadle. For Edward L. and Adeline Beadle Scholarship	3,500 00	
Bequest of Peter Lott	6,448 78	
Legacy of Nicholas F. Vedder	4,386 23	
Legacy of Peter Wyckoff	50,000 00	
John N. Jansen Scholarships	9,000 00	
Legacy of Catherine Jane Pryer, on account.....	1,200 00	
Legacy of Elizabeth Diehl	500 00	
	<hr/>	\$223,157 06
Bequests, etc., for the education of pious young men in preparing for the Gospel Ministry in the Theological Seminaries.		\$326,705 68
Bequest of John Kline	500 00	
Bequest of Nicholas Lansing	600 00	
Bequest of Janet Hinchman	470 00	
Gain on Sale of Government Bonds	468 54	
From family of the late Rev. Goyn Talmage, D. D.	250 00	
Bequest of Sarah V. B. Benham	500 00	
Bequest of Albert H. Randell	476 25	
	<hr/>	\$3,264 79

\$329,970 47

FRANK R. VAN NEST,
Treasurer.

New York, May 1st, 1918.

ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES OF GENERAL SYNOD.

May 1, 1918.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America:

In accordance with the resolution of the General Synod, I herewith forward an estimate of the amount necessary to be raised to meet the deficiency in the revenues of Synod for the year commencing May 1st., 1918.

EXPENSES RELATING TO THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AT
NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J.

Salaries of four Professors	\$12,000 00
Salaries, etc., of Stated Clerk of the Board of Superintendent..	40 00
Salary, etc., of the Treasurer of General Synod, Apportionment	386 00
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	\$12,806 00

No deficiency.

OTHER EXPENSES.

By balance on hand, May 1, 1918.....	\$3,260 56
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Traveling expenses of Delegates to Corresponding Bodies....	200 00
Salary, etc., of Stated Clerk	525 00
Salary, etc., of Permanent Clerk	325 00
Traveling expenses of Synod's Members of the Board of Superintendents of the Western Theological Seminary and Hope College Council	275 00
Pro rata expenses of Alliance of Reformed Churches.....	220 00
Expenses of meeting of General Synod	100 00
Sundries	1,600 00
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	\$3,245 00

Traveling expenses of Delegates to General Synod to be adjusted at this meeting of Synod.

FRANK R. VAN NEST,

New York, May 1st, 1918.

Treasurer.

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY IN INDIA.

Endowment Fund.

Professorships.

The General Synod	\$8,027 24
The Collegiate Church	13,109 82
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	\$21,137 06
Amount carried forward	\$21,137 06

Amount brought forward \$21,137 06

Scholarships' Church.

Church at Hudson	\$2,000 00
Collegiate Church at Harlem	2,001 00
First Church, Albany	400 00
Madison Ave. Church, Albany.....	2,000 00
First and Fair Sts. Churches, Kingston.....	782 00
Clinton Ave. Church, Newark.....	1,255 00
Flatbush Church	2,000 00
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	\$10,438 00

Scholarships' Individual.

A Missionary Friend's half	\$1,000 00
The Family Semelink	2,000 00
Ormiston Memorial	2,000 00
S. Talmage Mather	2,000 00
Greenwood	2,000 00
Donald Memorial	2,000 00
Katherine A. Rockwell.....	2,000 00
In His Name	2,000 00
Gamaliel G. Smith	2,000 00
Thomas and Sarah A. Jessup.....	2,000 00
William Brush	2,000 00
The Erskine Memorial	2,000 00
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	\$23,000 00

Total endowment paid in	\$54,575 06
Railroad bonds bought below par, difference.....	44 01
Gain on 12 shares Flatbush Gas Light Co. Stock.	58 50
Gain on sale of Brooklyn City R. R. Co. Stock and Bond	1,891 87
Gain on sale of One Bond Cedar Falls and Minne- sota R. R.	46 25
Gain on sales of Brooklyn real estate	483 60
Gain on sale of St. Joseph and Grand Island R. R. Stock	759 18
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	\$57,858 47
Legacy of Sara J. Monteath	1,000 00
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	\$58,858 47
Note of Maurice E. Viele, deceased, not paid, can- celled	200 00
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	\$58,658 47

GENERAL SYNOD.

Sale 2 shares 1st Ref. and 1 share 2nd Ref. stock Wheeling and Lake Erie R. R.....	15 31
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	\$58,673 78

The Fund at the present time amounts to \$58,673 78.

During the year just closed \$4,650.99 have been received, amount being interest, etc., received on the invested Fund.

Balance of income on hand May 1, 1918, \$553.76.

New York, May 1st, 1918.

FRANK R. VAN NEST,
Treasurer.

Report of Special Committee to consider the organization of Corporations for holding gifts and bequests for the Theological Seminaries.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America.

GENTLEMEN: Your Special Committee appointed in June, 1917, to consider the report of the special committee to consider the organization of a corporation for holding gifts and bequests for the Western Theological Seminary, which report was made to General Synod in June, 1917, and was referred to them for further consideration and report, beg leave to report that they have considered the whole question carefully but that in view of present war conditions and the unsettled financial and industrial conditions now prevailing, they are not ready to make a final report to the Synod at this time and therefore asks that this report be received as a report of progress and that the committee be continued and be permitted to report finally to the Synod at such time as they may deem wise and proper.

GERRIT J. DIEKEMA,
J. W. BEARDSLEE,
J. PRESTON SEARLE,
JOHN M. KYLE,
JAS. F. ZWEMER,
Special Committee.

The Report was accepted and adopted.

Report of the "Church House Committee" to the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America.

At the General Synod of 1917, a report was submitted from this Committee giving facts and figures relative to a complete remodeling of the interior of the Church House.

As the amount for the complete work was larger than the funds which were in sight, the plan had to be abandoned, however, during the months of July and August the entire Church Building was gone over and a great quantity of rubbish was taken from odd corners of the Building and carried away.

The halls and Assembly Room were redecorated. The lighting system throughout the Building was improved and an assistant janitor engaged who is in constant attendance on the elevator, and when not running the elevator, is stationed in the front hall to an-

swer questions and do what is possible to give information to the visitors of the Building.

The janitors' quarters were changed into a room for the addressograph, a Rest Room for the ladies of the Building, and an office for the Christian Intelligencer, the janitor now living outside the Building. Another room on the fourth floor which had not been available for office use was decorated and is now the office of the Secretary of the Young Women's Committee.

When the halls were redecorated, the offices were dingy by contrast, consequently the individual Boards were under the necessity of redecorating their offices. The Church House Committee, therefore, can report a complete renovation of the Building and many minor changes which add to the comfort and welfare of its occupants.

With the exception of the summer months, regular monthly meetings have been held by the House Committee. During the year the personnel of the Committee has remained the same as last year, with the exception of the resignation of the Chairman, Mr. Wm. N. Clark, whose resignation was accepted with much regret as Mr. Clark was one of the moving spirits in all the work which the Committee has done. Mr. William T. Demarest was elected Chairman of the Committee in the place of Mr. Clark.

Respectfully submitted,

"Church House Committee,"

per HOWELL S. BENNET,

Secretary.

This Report was referred to the Committee on Board of Direction.

The Committee on the Board of Direction of the Corporation presented their Report. It was accepted and adopted. It is as follows:

To the One Hundred and Twelfth Session of the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America:

Fathers and Brethren:—There have been received by the Committee on the Board of Direction the following matters:

First. The Tnnual Report of the Board of Direction with the Report of the Treasurer of Synod annexed thereto.

Second. Certain questions raised in the report of the Board of Direction, which call for Synodical Legislation.

Third. Various matters coming directly to the Committee from the Stated Clerk of Synod on which, by recommendation of the Committee, action seems necessary.

1. The Committee would report that from the annual Report of the Board of Direction it appears:

(a) That an audit has been made by Messrs. McWhorter, Boyce, Hughes and Farrell, certified Public Accountants of New York City, covering the financial condition and the cash summary for the financial year ending April 30, 1918, from which it appears that they have verified the bonds, mortgages and stocks and the amount shown as balances. They certify that all cash transactions have been properly accounted for and it also appears that all interest on loans has been paid.

(b) The cost of administration of the funds of Synod appears to be under two dollars for every thousand dollars invested and drawing interest.

(c) The bonds, mortgages and other securities have been personally inspected by the Board of Direction and found to agree with the statement of investment now submitted. The printed report has been checked against the originals signed by the Treasurer and found to agree therewith.

(d) The Board reports that the total contributions for the widows' fund for the past year were \$10,253 and for the disabled ministers' fund \$10,116, or about the same amount as in previous years. The Board reaffirms its plea for action on the part of the Church, to provide honorable help for the aged ministers and their widows, stating that they know that both the good name of our communion and the future growth of our Church are involved.

The Board further reports that for the past fourteen years, the cause of the Disabled Ministers and Widows' Funds, has been presented to the Churches by Dr. Denis Wortman, and through his efforts there has been an increase in their offerings and many bequests have been made by individuals; and, as an honorarium for his work \$1,500 a year has been given our Reverend Brother, now in his 84th year.

The Board further reports that it is the duty of Synod to direct the Board as to continuing the engagement of Dr. Wortman. This Committee desires to express its great sympathy with Dr. Wortman, for the state of health which prevents him from making the splendid efforts in the cause of the disabled ministers and widows' funds, that have been the habit of his life for many years, and its fullest appreciation of the great work that he has done. We feel, however, that it is necessary, at this time, in the interests of the Church, and in view of his enfeebled health, that Synod direct the Board of Direction to take such steps as may be necessary to ad-

vance, so far as possible, the cause of these funds, to the end, that the Reformed Church in America shall stand in as honorable a position towards its disabled ministers and their widows as that occupied by other prominent denominations in the country.

The Committee therefore recommends:—

1. That the thanks of Synod be extended to Dr. Denis Wortman for his great work and valuable service to the work of the Reformed Church in America, so ably rendered by him during so many years of his long and honorable life; that he be relieved from further active duty and given an opportunity for the rest he has so richly earned, and that in recognition of his faithful work and service, he be paid during the remainder of his natural life an honorarium at the rate of \$1,000 per annum, in place of the \$1,500 per annum heretofore paid him.

We further recommend that a committee to consist of three ministers be appointed by Synod to confer and act with the Board of Direction in securing the services of an efficient agent to take charge of the collections of the widows' and disabled ministers' funds, at a salary for such services, which shall be in some degree, commensurate with its importance and sufficient to secure the services of a man fully able to perform the work.

(e) The Committee has a report from the Church House Committee, a special committee concerning the proposed remodeling of the Church house at 25 East 22nd Street, New York City. Owing to the continued high cost of materials and to the scarcity and high price of labor, the original plan has not been carried out, but some changes have been made, including the fitting up of rooms for secretaries of the various committees, also a much needed rest room for the ladies of the building, these rooms being formerly occupied by the janitor. The whole house has been renovated and remodeled and the janitor service improved with the result that requirements for the present are practically satisfied, and the improvements are a decided benefit to the property. Those visiting the building now will appreciate the changes. The rentals to the different boards have been increased so that the income now shows a return of five per cent on the entire cost of this property. We recommend that the committee for the care and management of the building be continued.

The Committee offers the following resolutions for adoption by the Synod:

1. Resolved, That the report of the Treasurer be accepted and incorporated into the records of Synod.

Whereas Mr. William G. Gaston was elected a member of the Board of Direction to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Mr. William N. Clark, until the next meeting of Synod.

2. Resolved, That Mr. William G. Gaston be and he hereby is elected a member of the Board of Direction to serve for the term of five years.

Whereas, on the resignation of Mr. William N. Clark, President of the Board of Direction, William L. Brower was elected Chairman of the Board of Direction to serve until the next meeting of Synod.

3. Resolved, That Mr. William L. Brower be and he hereby is elected President of the Board of Direction to serve for the term of one year.

Whereas, the term of office of Mr. Frank R. Van Nest as Treasurer of General Synod will expire with the close of the present meeting of Synod, and Whereas, he has completed twenty-five years of constant service in this responsible office, and that since he assumed this work the funds of the church have more than doubled and their care and other duties have equally increased throughout eleven months of the year, and his services to the Church have been and are inestimable.

(4) Resolved, That Mr. Frank R. Van Nest be and he hereby is elected Treasurer of the General Synod for the term of one year next ensuing at an annual salary of \$3,500, payable quarterly, upon his executing and delivering to the President of the Board of Direction, a bond in the penal sum of \$10,000 conditioned upon the faithful performance of all the duties of his office, on such terms and in such form as shall be approved by the Board of Direction and with a Surety Company thereon as surety, to be approved by such Board, the premium on such bond to be paid from the funds of Synod.

(5) Resolved, That the following appropriations be made under the precedents and practice established in 1909, (minutes 1909, pp. 359-360) and be chargeable upon the assessments upon the classis for the year 1918-1919.

(a) A sum not to exceed \$160 for the expenses attaching to membership in the Alliance of the Reformed Churches throughout the world, being the allotment on pro rata of the Reformed Church.

(b) A sum not to exceed \$50 for the expenses attaching to membership in the Council of the Reformed Churches holding the Presbyterian System in the United States, being the pro rata or allotment of the Reformed Church.

(c) A sum not to exceed \$145 for the expenses attaching to membership in the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, being the allotment or pro rata of the Reformed Church.

(6) That the Synod authorize and direct the Treasurer of Synod to assess the Classes for the entertainment of the delegates

to Synod to an amount not to exceed 2½ cents per communicant member.

(7) Resolved, That the Synod authorize and direct the Treasurer of Synod to assess the Classes pro rata to meet the traveling expenses of the delegates to Synod to an amount not to exceed the sum of \$3,400.

(8) Resolved, That the Synod authorize and direct the Treasurer of Synod to assess the Classes pro rata to meet the contingent expenses of Synod to an amount not to exceed the sum of \$3,500.

According to a letter received and referred to us we are informed that the Second Reformed Church in Philadelphia has been disbanded and its property sold and that out of the proceeds of that property, they propose to contribute \$1,000 to the Building Fund of Asbury Park, N. J., Reformed (Dutch) Church, to be deposited with the Northern Trust Company of Philadelphia, and the remainder amounting approximately to \$18,000 to be deposited with said Trust Company as an Endowment Fund to be known as "The Second Reformed Dutch Church Memorial Fund," the income of said fund, only, to be paid to the Fifth Reformed (Dutch) Church of Philadelphia, and in case of the dissolution or disbanding of that church, or in case it should at any time unite with any other church, then and in that event, the whole principal of said Memorial Fund to revert to, and become the property of, the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America.

We hereby express our appreciation of their loyalty to the Church on the part of the congregation, much as we regret the necessity which has compelled them to disband.

A request from the Classis of the Cascades to be relieved from Synodical assessments for reasons of weight has been received.

The Committee presents the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Synod decline to grant the request to be statedly relieved by general resolution and exempted from all Synodical assessments, but recommend that the Classis be relieved from such assessment, for the year beginning May 1, 1918, for the reasons advanced in said overture.

The Classis of the Cascades is to be congratulated upon its success in raising money for benevolent purposes including its generous contribution to the One Day's Income Fund. The Committee hopes that the prosperity and success of this Classis will continue, and increase, so that in the future they may be able to include, with their other contributions, the payment of Synodical assessments.

From a statement showing a list of the securities of the General Synod, referred to us, it appears that in some cases the funds of the General Synod are invested in mortgages upon real estate

where the assessed valuation is but little in excess of the amount of the mortgage.

We therefore recommend;—

1st. That in such cases, wherever possible periodic reductions of loans now in force be demanded.

2nd. That as opportunity offers undesirable overdue loans be called.

3rd. That mortgage loans shall not be renewed or extended until after thorough inspection of premises and when so extended, provision be made in the renewal contract, where the equity above the mortgage is small for payments in reduction of the principal.

4th. That provisions be made for systematic visiting of the various properties, that their condition may be known, and the character of the neighborhood be more closely watched.

In the report of the auditors referred to us, is an item showing real estate held by Synod amounting to the sum of \$143,822.29. This property appears to be practically non-productive, the net income from it amounting to but a little more than \$2,000 per annum. We therefore recommend that unless some reason for holding the same exists, not known to this Committee, the said real estate be sold, even at some sacrifice, in order that the proceeds thereof may be invested so as to produce an income reasonably in proportion to the amount of the investment and that a list of such real estate be incorporated in their next report.

The Committee reports its satisfaction with the action of Synod, approving the report of the Committee on the revision of the Constitution.

Dated Asbury Park, New Jersey, June tenth, A. D. 1918.

GEORGE TIFFANY,
E. COVERT HULST,
C. E. CUDDEBACK,
C. N. ADDISON,
J. E. PRATT.

Committee on the Board of Direction.

At the session of Wednesday morning, June 12, a resolution was adopted that \$500 be assessed upon the classes, this amount to be used to defray the expenses of the Commission on the Million Dollar Fund; and that this amount be added to the budget of \$3,500 for contingent expense mentioned in Resolution (8) of the above Report, making the total of this expense \$4,000.

The Committee appointed to confer with the Board of Direction to name an agent for the Disabled Minister's and Widows' Funds is as follows: Revs. James M. Farrar, C. P. Case and J. S. Kittell.

ARTICLE V.

PROFESSORATE AND THEOLOGICAL SEMINARIES.

The following reports and communications were received and referred to the Committee on Professorate and Theological Seminaries, except when acted on directly by Synod.

Annual Report of the Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick, N. J.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America:

The Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick, N. J., met in the chapel of Hertzog Hall, Wednesday morning at ten o'clock, May 15th, 1918.

All the members of the Board were present except the representatives from the Classes of Albany, Paramus, Poughkeepsie, Saratoga and Schenectady; and one member from the Particular Synod of Albany, two from the Particular Synod of New York, and one from the Particular Synod of New Brunswick.

Rev. Edgar Tilton, Jr., D. D., was elected President, and Rev. C. G. Mallery, Temporary Clerk.

The Annual Report of the Faculty was read, showing the following students were in attendance during the year:

SENIOR CLASS.

*John William Porter Collier, Plainfield, N. J., B. D. (Allen University, 1911).

Bradley, Jacob Folensbee, Schoharie, N. Y., A. B. (Rutgers College, 1915).

Marion Gerard Gosselink, Pella, Iowa, A. B. (Hope College, 1915).

John Robert Howard, New Brunswick, N. J.

Frank Alvin Langwith, Oceanport, N. J., Litt. B. (Rutgers College, 1915).

Frederic Kull Shield, Highland Park, N. J., A. B. (Rutgers College, 1915).

*Ordained minister.

Harvey Ira Todd, Hyde Park, N. Y., A. B. (Rutgers College, 1915).

Andrew Everet Van Antwerpen, Paterson, N. J.

*†Joseph DeCross Virgil, Westfield, N. J.

MIDDLE CLASS.

‡Hugh St. Leger Booth, Yokohama, Japan, A. B. (Hamilton College, 1914).

Charles Henry Campbell, New York City, A. B. (College of City of New York, 1915).

Douwe De Boer, Hull, Iowa. (Hope College).

John Gabriel Gebhard, Jr., Mount Vernon, N. Y., A. B. (Hope College, 1916).

Erich Theodore Müller, Jersey City, N. J. Bloomfield Seminary Academic Department.

**Alexander Turner Paxson, New Brunswick, N. J.

‡Robert Wyckoff Searle, New Brunswick, N. J., A. B. (Rutgers College, 1915).

George Steininger, Woodhaven, N. Y., A. B. (Hope College, 1916).

†Paul Ven Erden, New Brunswick, N. J.

‡George Henry Whisler, Newark, N. J., A. B. (Rutgers College, 1916).

Frederick Zimmerman, Paterson, N. J. (Rutgers College).

JUNIOR CLASS.

Charles Edward Bloodgood, Catskill, N. Y., A. B. (Rutgers College, 1917).

Martin Eugene Flipse, Holland, Mich., A. B. (Hope College, 1916).

Lawrence Henry French, North Plainfield, N. J., B. Sc. (Rutgers College, 1917).

George Carl Hock, Newark, N. J.

James Edward Hoffman, Overisel, Mich., A. B. (Hope College, 1917).

‡John Seymour Moore, New York City, A. B. (Hope College, 1917).

*Ordained minister.

**Not a candidate for the ministry.

‡On leave of absence for War Service.

†Not taking Hebrew and Greek.

††John Christian Tanis, Elizabeth, N. J.

John Albert Tillema, Morrison, Ill., A. B. (Hope College, 1914).

Arthur Winfield Winter, Mahwah, N. J., A. B. (Hope College, 1917).

The Committee on the Reception of Students and the Committee on Mid-Winter Examinations presented their reports. The reports of the Committees on Written and Oral Examinations, at the close of the year, were also received. With only minor exceptions, the examinations were well sustained and heartily commended. It was voted to grant Professorial Certificates to the members of the Senior Class, and that the members of the Middle and Junior Classes be duly advanced.

Messrs. Booth, Searle and Whisler, at their own request, have been given indefinite leave of absence for War Service. Mr. Moore of the Junior Class has been conscripted and has been sent abroad in War Service; he is therefore reported as a Junior absent on leave.

Mr. Paxson, in view of his faithfulness, excellent work and manifest adaptedness for his chosen type of ministerial work, has been admitted to full standing in the English branches and as a candidate who will seek Synod's dispensation from the languages in order to his ordination.

Mr. Langwith is the Sandham Scholar of the Senior Class, and Mr. Zimmerman of the Middle Class. The Rev. Edward Lodewick Prize for preaching has been awarded to Mr. Shield.

The Rev. John H. Gillespie, D. D., Lector in Missions and Instructor in New Testament Text Criticism, has given the Seminary another year of faithful and highly valued service. The Board supported the Faculty in their desire that Dr. Gillespie should be appointed Lector in the latter subject again.

The Committee on the vacant sixth Professorship and on the vacant Lectorship in Biblical Theology has exercised the authority given to it by the General Synod to make temporary arrangements for filling the Lectorship in Biblical Theology vacated by Professor Berg, and to make partial arrangements for meeting the tasks which are to be performed by the sixth Professor, when he shall be chosen. Under this authority the Committee secured the services of Rev. Simon Blocker as Acting Lector in Biblical Theology, and the Rev. J. W. Beardslee, Sr., D. D., as Acting Lector in the English Bible. Mr. Blocker has rendered the usual service of three hours a week in his lectorship, and Dr. Beardslee has, in the same number of hours, taught the English Bible to the students who do not take the

†Not taking Greek.

‡A licentiate of the Presbyterian Church.

original languages. The work of both has met with the cordial appreciation of their students.

President Henry L. Southwick of the Emerson College of Oratory in Boston, has lectured on public speaking and given personal lessons to each student. Prof. E. L. Barbour, of Rutgers College, has given his regular course of instruction in the same field. The services of both have been of great value to the students.

Mr. Herman F. Dietman has given his usual and valuable course in music.

Four lectures on Missions, on the Graves Foundation, were given by the Rev. J. C. R. Ewing, D. D., LL.D., of India.

Three lectures on the Christian Ministry were given by the Rev. John Timothy Stone, D. D., of Chicago.

The Alumni Association's Endowment Fund income has provided two courses of lectures, three in each course. The first was on the Problems of the Country Church, the lecturer being President Kenyon L. Butterfield, LL.D., of the Massachusetts Agricultural College; the second on the Problems of the City Church, by Rev. William R. Taylor, D. D., of Rochester, N. Y. All of these courses made special appeal to the interest and appreciation of the Faculty and students.

Other single lectures provided for from the Catskill Church Fund were by Dr. Edgar J. Banks, the Archeologist, and the Rev. Sartell Prentice, D. D.

The following have given addresses or lectures under the auspices of the Society of Inquiry:

Rev. Luman J. Shafer,	Rev. W. P. Bruce, D. D.,
Mr. F. Marmaduke Potter,	Rev. Pietro Moncada,
Mr. W. H. Ramsaur,	Mr. W. T. Demarest,
Rev. John Van Ess,	Rev. W. I. Chamberlain, D. D.,
Rev. E. G. W. Meury, D. D.,	Rev. Paul Micou,
Mr. Theodore N. Pockman,	Rev. F. S. Booth, D. D.,
Mrs. C. M. Lacy Sites,	Mr. George Irving,
Rev. James Dykema,	Rev. Karl Kumm, D. D.

The usual Missionary Conference was held under the auspices of the Society of Inquiry, and was instructive and inspirational in high degree.

The Rev. Professor Johnson represented the Seminary at the Fiftieth Anniversary of Drew Theological Seminary in October.

Our Seminary, in common with others, has suffered in its attendance by reason of the war. This year, however, we have suffered less than other Seminaries; but in the year to come a full share of loss is to be expected, especially in the Junior Class.

The following action was taken:

Resolved, That the Board of Superintendents hereby extends to the Rev. Professor J. Preston Searle, D. D., its hearty congratulations on the completion of twenty-five years of service as Professor of Systematic Theology. We rejoice in the interest he has ever taken in advancing the welfare of the Seminary, and express the hope that he may be permitted to continue for many years to come the work so successfully carried on in the past.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on the vacant sixth Professorship, based upon the same reasons which resulted in deferring a nomination last year, the following resolutions were adopted:

1. Resolved, That this Board express its grateful appreciation of the valuable and efficient service rendered during the past year by Rev. J. W. Beardslee, Sr., D. D., and Rev. Simon Blocker.

2. Resolved, That this Board requests General Synod to appoint Rev. Simon Blocker Lector in Biblical Theology at a compensation of \$500 per annum.

3. Resolved, That this Board reports to General Synod its conviction that further delay, for at least a year, in the filling of the sixth professorship is expedient and practically necessary.

4. Resolved, That Rev. J. W. Beardslee, Sr., D. D., be appointed Acting Lector in the English Bible for the next Seminary year at a compensation of \$500.

5. Resolved, That this Committee be continued with the powers already granted to it, and with special authority to expend not more than \$1,000 of the income of the Ann Hertzog Memorial Fund for special lectures or instruction in the subject of Christian Education.

In reference to the Seminary grounds and property, the following action was taken:

Whereas, the income of the Seminary is insufficient to meet its annual expenses, a condition intensified by the large increase in the cost of fuel, labor, etc., be it

Resolved, That the churches of the Denomination be more urgently requested not only to continue, but to increase, their generous gifts towards the support of the Seminary; also be it

Resolved, That to the donors of the books given to the library be extended the cordial thanks of this Board.

After listening to a statement of the Rev. John H. Brandow, Synodical Missionary of the Particular Synod of Albany, regarding the decreasing number of men preparing for the ministry, it was

Resolved, That Mr. Brandow be requested to submit these facts to the Board in writing, for transmission to the General Synod, and it was

Resolved, That the Board of Superintendents lay this matter before the General Synod with the request that the Synod suggest some line of procedure looking toward increasing the number of candidates for our ministry and devise some scheme whereby the attention of our ministers and congregations be called to this important matter of securing recruits for the ranks of our ministry.

The following statement was prepared by Mr. Brandow and is herewith transmitted to General Synod:

"There are now within the Synod of Albany 29 vacant pulpits. Three of this number are double fields, and four of the number we class as summer churches. Besides these we have 8 churches that are supplied by outsiders. Combining the two classes we have in this Synod 37 churches or fields that lack a minister of our own Denomination.

"Being considerably disturbed by the look of the situation here I have been at pains to learn of conditions in the other Particular Synods. As a result of correspondence with the Stated Clerks of Classes I find that there are 9 vacancies in the Particular Synod of New Brunswick, 32 in the Synod of New York, 21 in the Synod of Chicago, and adding to these the 29 in the Synod of Albany, we learn that the number of vacant pulpits, at this juncture, in our Denomination is 91. That means that 12 1-3 per cent. of our 731 organized churches are without pastors. In addition to this I am informed that 27 mission fields in the Synod of Chicago are sadly in need of men. The sum of these two classes of vacancies apprizes us that we have places for 118 ordained ministers of the Word.

"Where shall we look for men to head these leaderless churches and home mission fields? Naturally we turn our eyes to our theological seminaries. But how many have they prepared to step in the vacant places? On inquiry I find that 14 men graduate this year from our two seminaries, and that two of these have enlisted for war work. That leaves 12 men for the 118 vacant places, and this reckons not of the demands of our foreign fields. Think of it, 14 men graduating from our two seminaries when we need 120, at least, for home and foreign fields. On looking up the records I find that back in 1862, the year of the beginning of the civil war, our New Brunswick seminary graduated 23 men, this year 7, for our church. In 1860 there were in that seminary 63 undergraduates, this year 26. In both of our seminaries there are now 54 undergraduates. Besides these there are 31 men in college having our ministry in view, and only 3 or 4 from the eastern Synods expecting to enter college the coming fall, so the Sec'y of our Board of Education informs me. Allowing 7 years to the preparatory course that promises us 12 new ministers per year. If in 1860 and following, with about 425 churches, they had places for 21 graduates per

annum, we surely, at that rate, should be turning out 37 new ministers per annum now, or about three times what we are getting. And certainly we need annually that number of recruits to enable us to keep what we have got, or to hold our own in the world. But the church of Jesus Christ has no business to be content with simply holding her own in this hostile world. The Christ life, which is the church's life, if she has any, is aggressive in its nature. The church must either drive ahead or acknowledge that Satan is stronger than the Son of God, that the legions of Hell are mightier than the hosts of Heaven."

"But the shortage of ministers, as above described, is not peculiar to our Denomination. Complaints and warnings of similar character are being uttered by all Protestant Denominations throughout the world. The Roman Catholics, on the other hand, seem to have no lack in their priesthood anywhere. During the student year of 1894-5 there were in attendance at 58 leading theological schools 4,004 students, whereas twelve years later there were only 3,304, a falling off of 18 per cent. There were Protestant schools here in the U. S. During the same period the membership of our Prot. churches increased 25 per cent. while the white population increased 20 per cent.

"Among the reasons for this unhappy condition the following might be mentioned. First, a marked decadence in the spiritual life of our Protestant churches, due to several causes which we need not mention here. Second, an unwillingness on the part of Christian parents to urge their sons to enter the ministry of the Gospel. Among the reasons they give are, the meagre salaries offered, and the unfair criticisms and shameful treatment to which ministers are often subjected. A third and principal reason for this dearth in the ministry can be traced to the fact that many Protestant married couples refuse to have any children, or at best limit their families to from one to three. Hence we cannot in the nature of things look for ministers or other Christian workers in childless families. I have given careful attention to this matter. I know of several churches, which if their continued existence should depend on themselves, will become extinct in from one to three generations. Roman Catholics and Jews are outpopulating Protestants in America."

Vacancies occur in the following Classes: Greene, Kingston, Long Island—North, Montgomery, Passaic, and Rochester, also one each in the Particular Synods of Chicago, New York and New Brunswick.

The following committees were appointed:

RECEPTION OF STUDENTS.

Rev. W. H. S. Demarest, D. D., Rev. A. T. Broek,
 Rev. Charles S. Wright, Elder Austin Scott, LL.D.

MID-WINTER EXAMINATIONS.

Rev. W. H. S. Demarest, D. D., Rev. Charles S. Wright,
 Elder Austin Scott, LL.D.

WRITTEN EXAMINATIONS.

Rev. Charles S. Wright,	Rev. Henri de Vries,
Rev. C. D. F. Steinfuhrer, D. D.,	Rev. A. T. Broek,
Rev. Herman Hageman,	Rev. F. S. Wilson,
Rev. J. M. Farrar, D. D.,	Rev. C. E. Crispell,
Rev. T. P. Vernoll,	Rev. H. W. Brink,
Rev. Edgar Tilton, Jr., D. D.,	Rev. Albert von Schlieder,
Rev. C. P. Ditmars,	Rev. C. G. Mallery.

A suitable resolution was passed expressing the sorrow of the Board in receiving the announcement of the sudden death of Professor Frederic R. Hutton, Sc. D., as he was just starting from his home in New York to perform his duties as a member of this Board, serving on the Committee on Written Examinations.

The President of the Board, Rev. Edgar Tilton, Jr., D. D., was appointed to deliver the address to the graduating class next year, with Rev. Henri de Vries his alternate.

The Commencement Exercises were hold in Kirkpatrick Chapel, Thursday morning, May 16th, at 11.45. The Professorial Certificates were presented to the members of the graduating class by Professor F. S. Schenck, D. D., LL.D. The address on behalf of the Board of Superintendents was delivered by Rev. T. P. Vernoll, the retiring President of the Board. Rev. Wm. I. Chamberlain, Ph. D., D. D., delivered the Alumni Oration.

CHARLES G. MALLERY,
 JOHN H. BRANDOW,
 C. D. F. STEINFUHRER,
Committee.

Attest: JASPER S. HOGAN,
Stated Clerk.

Report of the Permanent Committee on the Finances of
 the Theological Seminary, at New Brunswick.

General Synod's Permanent Committee on the Finances of the Seminary at New Brunswick, N. J., would respectfully report, that the endowment of the Seminary has been increased by \$4,400 and that the offerings from the churches for the current expenses of the Seminary have been \$1,961.09.

The successive slight annual declines in the rate of interest obtaining in the last few years now amount to a total of decline, which combined with the greater cost of repairs, of labor and of fuel creates some difficulty in administering the Seminary as Synod and the Committee wish it done.

We therefore, ask Synod for renewed authorization to appeal in its name to every church in the Particular Synods of New York, Albany and New Brunswick, for offerings for the current expenses of this institution.

The larger needs of the Seminary are a new Library Building to be connected with the Gardner A. Sage Building, but which should bear a different name; a new house for the Sixth Professorship, for which an appropriate site has been secured; and an increase of \$10,500 in the Property Fund, the income of which is applied to the point of greatest need in the care of the splendid property of the Seminary.

We therefore, recommend the passage of the following resolutions:

1. That the renewed authorization asked for in the above report be granted.
2. That the larger needs of this ancient school of the prophets be commended to those entrusted in the training of the future ministers of our Church and able to make or devise large gifts, and to our ministers and elders who are the advisers of such potential donors.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) J. R. DURYEE, *Chairman*,
F. R. VAN NEST, *Treasurer*,
WILLIAM N. CLARK,
E. COVERT HULST,
SAMUEL ROWLAND,
W. E. FLORANCE,
E. E. OLCOTT,
J. ADDISON JONES,
EDGAR TILTON, JR.,
J. PRESTON SEARLE.

This report was not referred to the Committee on Professorate.

It was read, accepted by the Synod and the resolutions were adopted.

Annual Report of the Board of Superintendents of the Western Theological Seminary.

To the General Synod, R. C. A.:

The Board met in Semelink Family Hall, May 7-8, 1918. The meeting was opened with prayer.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

Ex-officio, Prof. James F. Zwemer, D. D., President of the Faculty.

FROM THE PARTICULAR SYNODS.

Albany—Rev. James S. Kittell, D. D.

New York—Rev. James M. Farrar, D. D.

Chicago—Revs. Peter Moerdyke, D. D., J. Engelsman, A. Vandenberg, S. C. Nettinga, Elder H. E. Langeland.

FROM THE CLASSES.

Cascades—Rev. B. Van Heuvelen.

Chicago—Rev. H. J. Pietenpol.

Holland—Rev. B. Hoffman.

Illinois—Rev. J. Winter.

Iowa—Rev. F. Lubbers.

Michigan—Rev. R. Bloemendal.

Pella—Rev. J. Wesselink.

Pt. Prairie—Rev. J. G. Theilken.

OFFICERS.

President, Rev. F. Bloemendal.

Vice-President, Rev. B. Hoffman.

Temporary Clerk—Rev. F. Lubbers.

The Executive Committee and Committee on Reception and Examination of students for the year, are Revs. R. Bloemendal, B. Hoffman, G. Tysse and Elder C. Dosker, together with the Faculty and the President of Hope College.

STUDENTS.

SENIOR CLASS.

John Henry Bruggers, Marinus Cook, Roelof Duiker, Lippo Potgeter, Minor Stegenga. Charles Anton Stoppels, Henry Darwin Ter Keurst.

MIDDLE CLASS.

Albert Bakker, Fred Henry De Jong, Frank De Roos, Cornelius Dolpin, Edwin Walter Koeppe, John Kuite, Raymond John Lubbers, Herman Maasen, Arthur Maatman, John Samuel Ter Louw, Gradus Vander Linden, Harry Van Egmond.

JUNIOR CLASS.

Leonard Braam, Walter Jasper Heyenga, Tiede Hibma, Henry O. Hospers, Irwin Jacob Lubbers, Henry Van Dyke, Anthony Van Westenburg.

The Reports of the Committee on written examinations and of the Board on oral examinations were satisfactory and all examinations were sustained. Professorial certificates were awarded to the Seniors, and the Middle and Junior Classes were advanced in course, with the exception of Joseph Hydanus of the Middle Class who did not present himself for examination.

THE FACULTY.

From its Report we note that the loss by the removal of two teachers to the Seminary at New Brunswick was keenly felt. The Rev. John W. Beardslee, D. D., Jr., accepting the call of the General Synod to the Professorship of Hellenistic Greek and New Testament Exegesis in the New Brunswick Seminary, and his honored father a veteran teacher accompanying him thither.

At a special session of the Board the Rev. Henry Hospers, D. D., was appointed for the year to fill the vacancy in the Chair of Old Testament Languages and Literature caused by the departure of Professor Dr. John W. Beardslee, D. D., LL.D.

By request of the Board the four Professors divided the work of the Chair of New Testament Languages and Literature among them with gratifying results and the Board requested that the same arrangements be made for the ensuing year.

In view of present conditions and the insufficiency of present funds the Board postponed the nomination of a Professor for the above named or Fifth Chair for the present.

The Board nominated unanimously to the General Synod the Rev. Henry Hospers, D. D., for election as Professor of Old Testament Languages and Literature.

The conditions of the various Funds: Educational, Contingent, Library, Salary, and Permanent were found to be in a satisfactory and encouraging state every one having closed the year with a credit balance.

In regard to the latter General Synod's Permanent Committee on the Finances will present a report in detail with its recommendations.

LIBRARY.

We are glad to learn that the shelves of the Library are being constantly supplied with books and that the fund for new books is also being replenished. We recommend this fund to the generosity of the patrons of the Seminary.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

The Board recommends the following:

1. That the General Synod be requested to direct the Board of Direction to appropriate \$500 toward the maintenance and support of its Western Seminary on account of increased expenses in properly providing for General Synod's property.

2. That General Synod recommend the Seminary to the Board of Education in the sum of \$500 for an appropriation for teaching, to be paid to the Treasurer of The General Synod.

3. That in view of the insufficiency of the present Endowments of only \$30,000 each to meet the payments of the salaries of the occupants of these Chairs at the rate fixed by the Synod, the action of the Board increasing these endowments by ten thousand dollars each be endorsed and recommended to the churches, and that the Treasurer of the Seminary be asked to secure these amounts as soon as possible.

The Commencement exercises were held in the Third Reformed church in the evening of May 8th. The Rev. James S. Kittell, D. D., delivered the address on behalf of the Board. The Rev. Henry Huenemann was chosen to deliver the address next year with Rev. R. Bloemendal as his secundus.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES S. KITTELL, chairman.

F. LUBBERS,

B. VAN HEUVELEN.

Attest: P. MOERDYKE,

Stated Clerk.

Committee.

Report of the Permanent Committee on the Finances of
the Western Theological Seminary:

To the General Synod of the R. C. A.:

Your Permanent Committee on the Finances of the Western Theological Seminary, at Holland, Michigan, begs leave to report as follows:

During the year our Secretary and Treasurer has, as Emeritus Professor and Treasurer of the Seminary been engaged in caring for all the Finances of the Seminary and specially for the Salary and the Permanent Funds. His labors have met with ready and generous responses.

THE SALARY FUND.

This fund provides for what moneys may be needed during the year to supplement the income of the three small endowments, to the credit of this Seminary, whose income is at present by no means sufficient to meet the annual salary payments of Synod's professors in your Western Theological Seminary. It is evident that the interest on thirty thousand dollars at a fraction over four per cent. does not meet the demands on the Salary Budget for four or five Professors.

How, during past years, this Fund was faithfully gathered and has been just as regularly supported, until it became a perennial and dependable source of income, a veritable sheet anchor in our varied experiences of struggle, is a matter of record.

Growing apace from a mere annual \$500, then slowly climbing into the thousands, until it reached last year its high water mark of \$3,437. For the year now closed its results surprised us all. The income of this fund reached the splendid sum of \$4,895.61 including \$500 appropriated by the Board of Education for the support of the teaching force.

However encouraging this exhibit may be it is patent to all, that this Salary Fund should not be burdened beyond what is proper. Your Committee is convinced, owing to the prosperity and growth of your Western School of the prophets, whose rich fruitage on the home and foreign fields of our Church is in evidence, that the time has come to increase our Endowments, each by \$10,000, in order that a large income from vested funds may meet the demand of changing times; we are glad to know that the Board supports this movement.

THE PERMANENT FUNDS.

After the endowment of the Fourth Professorship was raised to a little more than \$10,000 and the Endowment of the Maintenance Fund was also raised to a like sum, viz. \$10,000, as this year's report of Synod's Treasurer will show; all efforts were given to lay the foundation of an endowment for the Fifth Chair, and, notwithstanding these war-times with their many calls upon the benevolences of our constituencies, with the following gratifying results.

There is to the credit of this Endowment for the Fifth chair:

In cash on deposit in the First State Bank of Holland.....	\$8,257
In the form of negotiable promissory notes.....	315
In the form of consistorial pledges bearing 5 pct. int.	2,500
In the form of two Liberty Bonds.....	1,000
In the form of cash pledges payable this summer....	500

A total of	\$12,572
Added to the Fourth Chair Endowment	1,655
Added to Property and Maintenance Endowment.....	3,525

Total increase of permanent funds.....\$17,752

Another year of similarly successful effort will see the Endowment of the Fifth Chair endowed in the sum of at least thirty thousand dollars; but it too, like the other three, should be endowed in the sum of forty thousand dollars.

We know what dark clouds lowered these days over the financial operations of educational institutions, but there is one rift in these clouds that sends a cheering ray of light. It is the fact that, while the Government does not encourage the use of Liberty Bonds to meet ordinary obligations in payment of debt, because it contemplates the non-circulation of these securities, it does not discountenance the transfer of such Bonds to another permanent investment, thus keeping the Loans invested with the Government. We have been greatly encouraged by the donation of such Bonds to our Permanent Funds. It opens a splendid way of loyally serving the nation's need and at the same time helping to supply the want of a permanent institution that conserves the nation's spiritual forces.

Since the movement, looking toward some sort of corporate powers, which the Board of Superintendents desired at the instance of this Committee, has been postponed for the present, we request the Synod to authorize your Committee, or its Secretary as Treasurer of the Seminary to receive and hold for the General Synod whatever annuities or mortgages may be received or offered in favor of the Western Theological Seminary.

The term of membership in your Committee of Messrs. B. Dos-

ker and John N. Trompen expires at this meeting, and the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. T. Prins should also be filled.

We recommend, that the Synod ask our churches to give the needs of the Salary Fund, during these days when we make efforts to increase our Permanent Funds, a place on their annual budget, as many have begun to do.

B. DOSKER,
JOHN N. TROMPEN,
JOHN WILTERDINK,
Committee.

PRELIMINARY REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PROFESSORATE AND THEOLOGICAL SEMINARIES.

To your Committee was referred the nomination by the Board of Supt's. of the Western Seminary of the Rev. Henry Hospers, D. D., to the chair of Old Testament Languages and Literature in said seminary.

1. We would report that the nomination is in order and that the election of a Professor of Old Testament Language and Literature in the Western Theological Seminary, be made the order of the day immediately after the reading of the journal on Tuesday morning.

2. We would further recommend that nominations other than the above may be made immediately after the adoption of this preliminary report.

For the Committee,

WM. J. LEGGETT,
Chairman.

This preliminary report was adopted.

On motion, Synod waived its privilege to make further nominations.

At the Tuesday morning session Synod unanimously elected the Rev. Henry Hospers, D. D., to the chair of Old Testament Language and Literature in the Western Theological Seminary.

Dr. Hospers was notified, and telegraphed his acceptance and his Commission was signed by the President in the presence of Synod.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE PROFESSORATE AND THEOLOGICAL SEMINARIES.

The Committee on the Professorate presents the following report:

The following communications have been put in our hands.

- I. From the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick, N. J.
 1. The Annual Report of the Board of Superintendents.
 2. The Report of the Standing Committee on Seminary Grounds and Property accompanied by the Treasurer's report.
 3. The Report of General Synod's Committee on the Finances of the Seminary.
 4. Nominations to the Board of Superintendents.
- II. From the Western Theological Seminary.
 1. The Annual Report of the Board of Superintendents.
 2. The Report of General Synod's Committee on the Finances of the Seminary.
 3. Nominations to the Board of Superintendents.
 4. Nominations by the Board of Superintendents of Rev. Henry Hosper, D. D., as Professor of Old Testament Languages and Literature.
 5. A personal letter from the Stated Clerk of the Particular Synod of Chicago.

III. Overtures from five classes asking for dispensation for students for the ministry.

1. There has been received and placed in our hands the Annual Report of the Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick, N. J.

The report shows *nine* in the class just graduating, to whom were granted Professorial Certificates. *Ten* in the middle class were advanced to the senior class. Three of these, Messrs. Booth, Searle and Whisler, at their own request have been given indefinite leave of absence for war service.

Nine in the Junior Class were duly advanced to the Middle Class. One of these Mr. John S. Moore has been conscripted and sent abroad in war service. He is therefore reported as a Junior absent on leave.

Mr. Langwith is the Sandham scholar of the Senior Class and Mr. Zimmerman of the Middle Class. The Rev. Edward Lodewick prize for preaching has been awarded to Mr. Shield.

The Rev. John H. Gillespie, D. D., Lector in Missions and Instructor in New Testament Text Criticism has given the seminary another year of faithful and highly valued service. Your Committee in accord with the desire of the Faculty and Board of Sup-

erintendents would move that General Synod appoint Dr. Gillespie Lector in New Testament Text Criticism for another year.

The committee appointed by General Synod last year to make temporary arrangements for filling the Lectorship in Biblical Theology and to partially arrange for the tasks of the Sixth Professor when appointed, secured the services of Rev. Simon Blocker as acting Lector in Biblical Theology and the Rev. J. W. Beardsley, Sr., D. D., as acting Lector in the English Bible, we recommend that Synod appoint Rev. Simon Blocker Lector in Biblical Theology at a compensation of \$500 per annum. And also the appointment of Rev. J. W. Beardsley, Sr., D. D., as acting Lector in the English Bible for the next seminary year at a compensation of \$500. And that the filling of the sixth professorship be delayed for at least another year.

Resolved, That Synod heartily commends the work done by the seminary through its professors and outside lecturers and that Synod hereby extends to Prof. Searle its most sincere and heartfelt congratulations over the fact of his completion of twenty-five years of faithful service as Professor.

Resolved, That our churches be urged to continue and increase their generous gifts toward the upkeep of the seminary grounds and property.

Resolved, That Synod concur with the request that the seminary be authorized to expend not more than \$1,000 of the income of the Ann Hertzog Memorial Fund for special lectures or instruction in the subject of Christian education.

We recommend the following nominations to the Board of Superintendents:

From the Classis of Greene—Rev. J. Herge.

From the Classis of Kingston—Rev. T. A. Beekman.

From the Classis of N. Long Island—Rev. C. D. F. Steinfuhrer.

From the Classis of Montgomery—Rev. C. Fred Benjamin.

From the Classis of Passaic—Rev. T. P. Vernoll.

From the Classis of Rochester—Rev. G. H. Hospers.

From the Classis of Raritan—Rev. Chas. G. Mallery.

From the Particular Synod of Albany—Elder J. T. Lansing.

From the Particular Synod of Chicago—Rev. M. Flipse.

From the Particular Synod of New Brunswick—Elder J. E. Pratt, M. D.

From the Particular Synod of New York—Elder Chas. W. Osborne.

For members of the Committee on Grounds and Property of the New Brunswick Seminary for the period of three years: Messrs. W. E. Florance and E. Covert Hulst.

With reference to the request of the Board of Supts. that Synod

suggest some line of procedure toward increasing the number of candidates for the ministry your committee would propose the following:

While we deplore this present condition of lack of candidates for the ministry as presented by Rev. Mr. Brandow in a carefully prepared statement to the Board, yet we are not hopeless concerning the power of God to conscript men into His service.

We therefore recommend that the President of Gen. Synod be asked to prepare a letter of appeal upon this most important subject to be distributed freely among our churches and that Synod ask our membership to pledge themselves to greater and more earnest prayer and effort, not slackening our desires until His will be done.

THE WESTERN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

From all the reports we gather that this school of the prophets has enjoyed another year of continued blessing. The earnest purpose and vision of teachers and students, the fresh vigor with which they "carry on," the unremitting diligence and genius of method that are revealed in the financial statements, give the church reason for joy and thanksgiving.

Seven young men have this year been graduated. All the various funds closed the year with a balance. While conditions have not seemed ripe for the nomination of a fifth professor, the subjects to be connected with that chair have been, with good success, taught by the other professors.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. That we commend, to the generosity of friends, the Seminary Lecture Course. A little help will go a long way towards securing notable lecturers during the year.

2. That we likewise commend to the whole church the Library Fund for the purchase of new books.

3. That, in view of the constant increase in the cost of repairing and maintaining property, General Synod hereby directs the Board of Direction to appropriate \$500.00 for such maintenance and repairs of the Seminary buildings.

4. That General Synod recommend the Seminary to the Board of Education in the sum of \$500.00 for an appropriation for teaching, to be paid to the treasurer of General Synod.

5. That General Synod hereby endorses the action of the Board of Superintendents in moving to increase the endowments of the several chairs and that General Synod does hereby fix the endowments each chair at \$40,000; and, further, that the Treasurer of

the Seminary is directed to seek the securing of the required increases.

6. That, in view of the increases needed in the Salary Fund, and until the required increases for the Permanent Endowments are secured, the churches are asked to place the Salary Fund in their annual budget or on their list of benevolences.

7. Inasmuch as the committee appointed last year to consider last year's report of the special committee on the question of forming a corporation in the West, which shall invest money for the Seminary, has reported to this synod that the matter is for the present in abeyance, Resolved, That we hereby authorize the Synod's Permanent Committee on Finance for the Seminary to receive and hold, ad interim, for the General Synod, whatever annuities or mortgages may be received for the seminary.

8. We recommend the re-election, as members of Synod's Permanent Committee on Finance, of Messrs. B. Dosker and John N. Trompen; and that A. H. Meyer be chosen to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. T. Prins; also, since the Rev. J. W. Beardslee, D. D., is too far removed to make quick consultation an easy matter, that G. J. Diekema be elected as an additional member of the committee.

9. A private communication referring to a possible increase of representation in the Board from the Particular Synod of Chicago was referred to this committee. We have found no authority for such an increase and therefore recommend that the matter be referred to the Board of Superintendents for possible consideration.

10. NOMINATIONS.—No nomination to represent the Particular Synod of New Brunswick was received.

We recommend that the following nominees be elected:

Particular Synod of New Brunswick—Rev. I. W. Gowen.

Particular Synod of New York—Rev. J. M. Farrar.

Particular Synod of Chicago—Rev. G. Tysse, Elder E. Tenninga.

Classis of Chicago—Rev. H. J. Pietenpol.

Classis of Wisconsin—Rev. J. J. Hollebrands.

Classis of Grand River, Rev. Abr. De Young.

Classis of Holland—Rev. Benj. Hoffman.

Classis of Pleasant Prairie—Rev. J. G. Theilken.

Classis of Cascades—Rev. Ben Van Heuvelen.

Classis of Illinois—Rev. J. P. Winter.

No nomination was received from the Classis of Michigan. The Rev. Ralph Bloemendal was duly nominated by the classis and we recommend that he be elected.

We infer from the Minutes of Synod, 1917, that no one was chosen to represent the Dakota classis. The Rev. D. McEwan has

been considered a member of the Board, having been nominated by the Dakota classis. We recommend that he be now elected, and his name substituted for that of B. W. Lammers.

11. In view of the lamented death of the Rev. Matthew Kolyn, D. D., professor of Church History, we recommend that this General Synod direct its president to convey personally to the bereaved family the whole hearted sympathy of this Synod and that this resolution be adopted by a rising vote.

We recommend that in the matter of the installation of Rev. Henry Hospers, D. D., as professor of Old Testament Language and Literature that the following be the order of exercises:

The date of the installation to be arranged by the faculty of the Western Theological Seminary. To preside, Rev. B. Bloemendal, president of the Board of Superintendents. To preach the sermon the President of Synod, or his secundus the vice president; to deliver the charge to the pastor-elect, Rev. B. Bloemendal or his secundus, Rev. P. P. Cheff; to offer the prayer of installation, Rev. Henry Veldman. The President of General Synod to represent the Synod in the matter of signing the formula.

We farther recommend that Rev. James F. Zwemer, J. B. Nykerk and E. Myer be a committee to attend to the moving of Dr. Hospers, and that the treasury of General Synod bear the expense.

Overtures have been received as follows:

1. From the Classis of Hudson asking for a dispensation to Mr. A. B. Waldorf Smith, from the study of Hebrew and Greek during his Theological course. Mr. Smith is a member of the Smith Jr. Reformed Church, has an ordinary English education and excellent character and spirit. Last fall he entered the Junior class on probation in our New Brunswick Theological Seminary, but after a trial of a month or more found he could not do the required work, and returned home. He believes he could pursue the course if relieved from the requirements in regard to Hebrew and Greek. Your committee recommends that Mr. Smith be advised to enter the Seminary in September, and take the regular course excepting Hebrew and Greek and if his work is satisfactory to himself and his instructors at the end of the year, that he apply to the session of General Synod in 1919 for a dispensation.

2. An overture from the Classis of Pleasant Prairie asks for a dispensation for Otto G. Poppen from the constitutional requirement of a Professorial certificate. Mr. Poppen is a member of the Pookersburgh, Ia., Reformed Church, received his academic Education at our Pleasant Prairie Academy and graduated from the Mission House College of the Reformed Church in the U. S., and owing to his delicate health, and the distance from our Western Theological

Seminary, he entered and this spring graduated from the Theological School of the Christian Reformed Church at Grundy Center, Ia. The classis most heartily recommends Mr. Poppen to the General Synod for this dispensation. Your committee recommends that this dispensation be granted.

3. The Classis of New Brunswick asks for a dispensation from the study of Hebrew and Greek in the Theological Seminary in behalf of Alexander T. Paxson on account of his lack of college training. Mr. Paxson is engaged in city mission work, and has done creditable work—except in Hebrew and Greek—in our Seminary for the past two years for which he is commended by his instructors.

We recommend that the requested dispensation be granted to Mr. Paxson.

4. The Classis of New York overtures General Synod for a dispensation in behalf of Mr. Gaetano Iorizzo excusing him from the constitutional requirement of a Professorial certificate, and from examinations in Hebrew and Greek. This brother pursued studies for two years in the academic department of Bloomfield Seminary and for three years in Colgate Theological Seminary from which institution he graduated last month. Since his conversion in 1908 he has been employed as a colporteur by the Am. Bible Society for two years, and by the Am. Tract Society for four months, and has labored in Italian Missions in and about New York for about four years. He is a member of the Collegiate Church. Your committee recommends that this dispensation be granted.

5. The Classis of Newark requests a dispensation from the constitutional requirements of a Professorial certificate and from examinations in Hebrew and Greek for Dominico Febrile, who for the past eight years has conducted the Italian mission in the bounds of the classis. Mr. Febrile we learn had fair educational advantages before he came to America in 1903, and in this country has sought to gain knowledge by reading and study, and has been zealous in religious work among his fellow countrymen. He desires to be ordained that he may more effectively serve them in the gospel.

We recommend that this dispensation be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. J. LEGGETT,
WELLINGTON E. BASSLER,
GERRIT YNTEMA,
ANDREW HAGEMAN,
JERRY P. WINTER,
ISAAC VAN WESTENBURG,
HENRY K. POST,
GEO. W. POOL,

Committee.

The Report was adopted.

ARTICLE VI.

EDUCATION, ACADEMIES AND COLLEGES.

The following reports and communications were received and referred to the Committee on Education, Academies and Colleges.

THE FIFTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COUNCIL OF HOPE COLLEGE.

The Council of Hope College herewith presents to the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America its Annual Report as follows:

For more than a year the sombre cloud of war has hung over our land and has cast its dark shadow upon our institution, at is has upon our homes and churches and businesses. The call to the colors has been answered by no less than sixty-four of our young men and they are busy in all lines of service—on land and sea and in the air, in this country and on the other side—fighting for democracy and for justice and freedom. Our students have felt that the atmosphere created by the war is dissipating and some have found it difficult to concentrate their minds, yet they have applied themselves with commendable fidelity and made creditable progress, while the faculty throughout the year have had an eye single to the attainment of high ideals in the educational field and have magnified their profession.

I. ORGANIZATION OF THE COUNCIL.

At its regular meeting in June, 1917, the Council was organized by the election of the following officers:

President—Rev. Albert Vanden Berg.

Vice President—Rev. Henry J. Veldman.

Secretary—Hon. Gerrit J. Diekema.

Treasurer—Prof. Edward D. Dimment.

The term of office of the following members appointed by General Synod expires with this session:

Mr. A. A. Raven, Rev. John Lamar.

II. THE FACULTY.

The following changes have occurred in the personnel of the faculty:

Prof. Bruno Meinecke, A. M., was elected to the chair of Latin to succeed Prof. Milton J. Hoffman, who accepted the Presidency of Central College. The chair of Bible and Philosophy has been supplied during the year by Reverends H. J. Veldman and P. P. Cheff. The chair of History made vacant by the year's leave of absence granted to Prof. Wynand Wichers, has been filled by Mr. John J. De Boer. Miss Elma G. Martin, instructor in History and German, resigned to take up graduate work in Cornell University.

III. THE ENROLLMENT.

The enrollment of students for the year is as follows:

College	205
Preparatory School	84
School of Music	66
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Total	355

While the chief cause of the reduced number of students of college grade is the war, it must also be remembered that the Reformed Church has placed a second college in the western field. Moreover, the city of Grand Rapids, from whose high schools Hope has always drawn freely, is now conducting a Junior College. The lower enrollment in the Preparatory School is due in part to the fact that a number of village schools within easy distance of Holland are doing ninth and tenth grade work, and high schools throughout the state are admitting, without charge to the student, the boys and girls from the rural districts.

IV. RELIGIOUS CONDITION.

The religious condition of the institution has been maintained upon the high level of former years. The enrollment of the Y. M. C. A. is 111 and that of the Y. W. C. A. is 113. The attendance at the weekly devotional meetings has been good and the influences that have gone out have been strong and uplifting.

The event of the year, which stands out with particular vividness is the Student Friendship Campaign, to which Hope College contributed \$1,000.00 for suffering student prisoners in Europe.

The student Patriotic League, organized to supervise all patriotic efforts of the Hope Y. W. C. A., has been busy ministering to the comfort and good of the students in khaki. Throughout the year it has superintended a regular system of letter writing, by means of which every two weeks a letter is written by some one connected with the College and sent to all Hopeites in service.

The Student Volunteer Band now numbers 20 active members and 14 others who are now in the service of their country.

V. PRIZES AND CONTESTS.

In the Michigan Oratorical League contest, held in Kalamazoo on March 8th, Hope gained the singular distinction of winning first place both on the men's and women's side. For four successive years we have won first honors in the men's contest. The following institutions are represented in the League: Adrian, Albion, Alma, Hillsdale, Hope, Kalamazoo, Olivet and Ypsilanti Normal Colleges.

Mr. Walter A. Scholten and Miss Gertrude Schuurman, both members of the class of 1918, were the successful contestants.

VI. SCHOLARSHIPS.

Hope College has been exceptionally fortunate during the year in obtaining scholarships for its graduate students. The following were awarded:

Johns Hopkins University, \$500, Biology, to Mr. Paul Visscher, 1917.

Ohio State University, \$300, Chemistry, to Mr. Paul Stegeman, 1917.

University of Cincinnati, \$150, Medicine, to Mr. Gerard Raap, 1916.

University of Cincinnati, \$150, Medicine, to Mr. M. J. Flipse, 1917.

New York University, \$225, Chemistry, to Edward Diepenhorst, 1918.

University of Michigan, \$300, Chemistry, to Otto E. Huntley, 1918.

Bryn Mawr, \$525, Latin, to Miss Clara E. Yntema, 1916.

VII. THE LIBRARY.

The year has added 352 volumes to the Library, some of them rare and of great value. The additions include 60 carefully selected volumes on Biology. A legacy of \$150 for the Library Fund has been received from the late John W. Wichers, 1910.

Magazines and periodicals on the Reading Room tables and in the Department Libraries number 47, besides 12 newspapers, daily and weekly.

VIII. THE FINANCES.

Although the income from tuition has been less, and the cost of laboratory and other supplies, notably fuel, has been abnormally

high, the College has been able to close the fiscal year with a small balance in the treasury. The debt has been decreased by \$3,116, and the Permanent Fund has been increased by \$2,339.80. Legacies in the amount of \$2,650 have been officially reported and \$1,000 has been received for loans to needy and deserving girls.

IX. APPLICATION FOR AID.

Appreciating most heartily the help which the Church through its Board of Education has given to Hope College the past year, we would respectfully request General Synod to authorize an appropriation of \$4,000 for the ensuing year.

We also earnestly request the General Synod to recommend Hope College again to the benevolence of all the churches for an annual offering or for a small percentage of the amount collected through the weekly envelop system. We make grateful mention of the fact that the number of churches so contributing to the college is annually increasing.

X. ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TREASURER, APRIL 1, 1917— APRIL 1, 1918.

CURRENT FUNDS.

RECEIPTS.

Cash brought forward	\$204 28
Interest—	
Mortgages	23,873 99
Bonds	990 07
Notes	426 96
Daily Balance	18 75
Trust Funds	544 02
Board of Education	4,000 00
Church Contributions	4,064 26
Individual Gifts—for Current Expenses.....	1,414 82
Individual Gifts—Van Raalte Hall	1,116 00
Fees and Rents	7,637 83
Replacement	140 66
Prizes	57 00
Land Rents	51 50
Trust Funds Current	225 00
Sundries	361 00
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	\$45,126 14

DISBURSEMENTS.

Salaries	\$26,378 41
Light	278 51
Fuel	2,826 34
Water	131 67
Printing and Stationery	692 15
Repairs	743 09
Supplies	1,039 56
Labor	19 05
Taxes	525 51
Trust Funds	7,299 48
Travel	444 03
De Hope	24 00
Permanent Loans Repaid	2,204 28
Van Raalte Hall—Loans Repaid by Special Gifts.....	1,116 00
Sundries	1,230 83
Balance	173 23
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	\$45,126 14

PERMANENT FUNDS.

RECEIPTS.

Cash brought forward	\$8,753 30
Loans Paid—Current	2,204 28
Loans Paid—Building	1,116 00
Loans Paid—Mortgages	40,946 45
Loans Paid—Bonds and Accrued Interest.....	2,259 63
Notes Paid	3,700 00
Cash, Alumni Association	50 18
Cash, Individuals	2,339 80
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	\$61,369 64

DISBURSEMENTS.

Invested—	
Mortgages	\$34,725 00
Bonds and Accrued Interest	8,722 00
Bonds U. S. L. L.....	1,500 00
Trust Funds—General Synod Fund for Western Theo.	
Sem., returned to Rev. J. F. Zwemer	1,000 00
Balance Cash Forward	15,422 64
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	\$61,369 64

GENERAL SYNOD.

SURVEY OF PERMANENT FUNDS—APRIL 1, 1918.

ANNUITIES.

De Swarte Susan	\$100 00	
Semelink Gymnasium Fund	4,000 00	
Semelink Monument Fund No. 1..	3,000 00	
Semelink Monument Fund No. 2..	500 00	
Voorhees Fund	100,000 00	
	<hr/>	\$107,600 00

TRUST.

Board of Benevolence—

Alida Mink Fund	\$9,178 65	
Lepeltak Fund	1,505 50	
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Prizes—

Beekman Bible	\$1,500.00	
Birkhoff Literature	1,000 00	
Coles Debate Fund	1,000 00	
Raven Oratory Fund	1,000 00	
Southland Medals	100 00	
	<hr/>	4,600 00

Scholarships—

Philo Sherman Bennett	500 00	
Semelink Preparatory	2,000 00	
Westerveld for Girls	1,000 00	
	<hr/>	3,500 00

Western Theological Seminary—

Semelink Salary	3,000 00	
Semelink Scholarship	2,000 00	
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	<hr/>	\$131,384 15

ENDOWMENT.

Inactive Funds—

Building Loans	\$14,511 28	
Current Loans	19,985 30	
De Hope	2,500 00	
Real Estate	10,000 00	
	<hr/>	\$46,996 58

Securities—

Mortgages and Bonds	\$429,426 56	
Less Annuities and Trusts	131,384 15	
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Trust Funds

Board of Direction 53,420 06

Board of Education 4,500 00

57,920 06

Cash 15,422 64

\$418,381 69

Total Permanent Funds \$549,765 84

Promissory Notes not included above..... 4,850 00

EDWARD D. DIMNENT, *Treasurer*.

Submitted to and Approved by the Council, April 24th, 1918.

XI. PRESIDENT VENNEMA RESIGNS.

At the April meeting of the Council, Dr. Vennema asked that he be relieved of the duties of his office at the close of the present college year. He will then have completed seven years of service as President of Hope College.

The matter was referred to a special committee consisting of Hon. G. J. Diekema, Hon. A. LaHuis, and Rev. G. DeJonge, who reported as follows:

"Your special committee appointed to consider the request of President Vennema to be released from his duties as president of the College, beg leave to report that they have carefully considered the request, and after such consideration they feel that the Council should not grant the request, provided the president can be induced to remain. We feel that his power and usefulness have constantly increased, and that he occupies a commanding position among the College Presidents and Educators of the State of Michigan. He has the respect and confidence of the whole church, both east and west, and his experience has made him increasingly useful with both faculty and students.

Colleges are going through a severe strain during these days of war, and we would deem it a great loss to our College to release so experienced and capable a leader at this particular time.

Every reason which induced the Council to give Dr. Vennema a unanimous call seven years ago appeals to us now with equal force to have him remain with us.

We congratulate him upon his achievements, financial and otherwise, during his administration, and hereby renew to him our pledge of loyalty and personal devotion."

Duly appreciating this expression of confidence and esteem on the part of the Council, the President after further consideration declared that he felt that he owed it to himself and to the institution to adhere to his original decision. Thereupon the Council re-

luctantly acquiesced and the matter of nominating his successor was referred to the Executive Committee to report at the meeting on June 4th.

The fears expressed in our last report to General Synod that on account of the war the attendance of students would be considerably smaller this year, have proven to be well founded and the continuance of the war will still further reduce the enrollment. A considerable number of those who have gone to the colors were students preparing for the ministry. The conviction is forced upon us that if the Church is not to lack well trained and capable men to be leaders in the sphere of religion and in the affairs of the kingdom of Christ during the *post bellum* reconstruction period, she must now make a "selective draft" of boys to go in training for ministerial and missionary service. Medical schools are much concerned about the matter of recruiting young men for the healing profession. Our Christian churches and colleges should be no less solicitous to replenish the depleted ranks of trained religious leaders.

GERRIT J. DIEKEMA,
Secretary of the Council.

The following communication was received from the Secretary of the Council of Hope College while the Synod was in session.

June 5th, 1918.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America.

Gentlemen: On June 5th, 1918, Professor Edward D. Dimnent was elected by unanimous vote of the Council of Hope College as the President of the College to succeed Rev. Ame Vennema, D. D., resigned, and I was instructed by the Council, as its Secretary, to communicate to you this action and to ask the General Synod to ratify and confirm the action of the Council in electing Professor Dimnent to the Presidency.

Very truly yours,

G. J. DIEKEMA,
Secretary of the Council of Hope College.

The following communication was also received in regard to the newly elected president.

Prof. Edward D. Dimnent, the newly elected president of Hope College, graduated from Hope in 1896 with high honors. As a stu-

dent, he made an enviable record for scholarship which has rarely been equalled and never excelled. After his graduation, he took two years of study in the Western Theological Seminary. During one of these years, 1897, while carrying on his full studies at the Seminary, he also performed the duties of assistant professor of Latin and Greek at the College.

In 1898, when Prof. John G. Gillespie resigned the Chair of Greek at Hope to become a professor in The New Brunswick Theological Seminary, the Council elected Prof. Dimment as his successor and he discontinued his theological studies to accept this call. Though only twenty-three years of age at the time and coming in daily contact with the young people who had been his fellow students, he at once filled his new position to the entire satisfaction of the college authorities, and the student body. In addition to his duties as professor of Greek which he has since performed, he has acted as registrar and treasurer of the College.

In 1906 he was elected as vice-president to succeed the late Prof. John H. Kleinheksel, which position he declined.

No man is more familiar with all business matters connected with the College and no teacher is more universally beloved by the students. He has been called to assume new responsibilities in the very prime of life, ripe in experience, with rare scholarship, in almost every line of human research, and with an almost unlimited capacity for work. Of him the late Pres. Kollen once said, "Dimment knows more about more things than any man I have ever seen." He will guide Hope along the lines laid down by the fathers and will keep her abreast with the forward march of the times.

SECOND ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CENTRAL COLLEGE.

Pella, Iowa, May 21, 1918.

To the General Synod R. C. A. convened at Asbury Park, N. J.,
June 6, 1918.

Fathers and Brethren: The second year of Central College as an institution of the Reformed Church in America has come to a successful close; and it is with profound gratitude to Almighty God that its Board of Trustees hereby makes its annual report to the General Synod R. C. A. as follows:

THE FACULTY.

The new President of Central College, the Rev. Milton J. Hoffman, D. D., who was elected May 28, 1917, and formally inducted into office May 23, 1918, has proven himself the right man in the

right place. He took hold of the work connected with his new office with enthusiasm and evident ability; and the success of this second year of administration under the auspices of the Reformed Church in America, and the progress made toward getting this institution appreciated and cherished among the constituency it is designed to serve, is largely due to his effective and untiring efforts.

The school has managed to get along this year with fourteen professors and instructors in addition to the president. Five of these have now served their first year, namely, Miss Nesta Williams, A. M., as professor of Education and Psychology; Mr. C. C. Church, A. M., as professor of History and Political Science; Miss Ada M. Stow, as director of the Commercial Department; Miss Louise Stallman, A. B., as instructor of Mathematics in the Academy; and Mrs. M. J. Hoffman, as professor of Voice in the School of Music. These, together with the others who were with us also the year before, have done good and satisfactory work.

In view of the high cost of living and the large demands on everybody in these times of war, the Board felt constrained to raise the salaries of all its teachers ten percent. for the ensuing year.

ENROLLMENT.

In spite of the fact that the war has made terrific inroads upon the colleges of the country, even gone so far as to compel many schools to close their doors, while the almost unanimous verdict of the entire country is that enrollment has fallen off from ten to fifty per cent., the enrollment of Central College is twenty percent. larger than last year. Eleven of our students have been called away for war service during the school year, and doubtless many were kept at home on account of the war that would otherwise have gone to school, yet we are able to give the following summary of students:

College	51	
Seniors	5	
Juniors	11	
Sophomores	17	
Freshmen	18	
Academy	61	
Seniors	7	
Juniors	3	
Sophomores	17	
Freshmen	34	
Special	3	
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Commercial	20	

Music	55		
Juniors	1		
Sophomores	2		
Freshmen	2		
Unclassified	50		
Winter Course	11		
Summer School	66		
Music	30		
Academy	36		
		152	
			267
Less duplicates			58
Total number of students			209

Two things call for special mention in regard to this matter. First, that the lower classes in both College and Academy are proportionately very much larger than the higher. That proves that the school is taking on a new lease of life. Second, that over ninety percent of these students come from districts that have never contributed any students to the educational institutions of the Reformed Church. That proves that we are developing new strata of educational activity in the Reformed Church, and that we are not duplicating the work of other institutions.

DISCIPLINE.

The conduct of the students has been very commendable. The watchword of the first chapel service was "Loyalty," and with wonderful consistency the students have carried out the pledges silently made. The administration has from the first enjoyed the hearty co-operation and respect of the student body. The religious affiliation of the students has been more pronouncedly Reformed than ever before in the history of the school. Of the total enrollment of 209, one hundred and twenty-one are of the Reformed Church; thirty-six are of the Baptist Church; and thirty-five of other churches.

BUILDINGS AND EQUIPMENT.

On account of the burning of the Auditorium building, in which also the college Library as well as the Gymnasium was housed, the administration felt constrained to provide more buildings. The Library books that were saved from the fire were temporarily stored in one of the rooms of the old Central building. But if the

library was to be used to advantage, more room was needed. Besides, old Cotton Hall afforded altogether inadequate and unsatisfactory accommodations for the young ladies from a distance that were in attendance at the college. If the school was to continue and draw students, a Ladies' Dormitory was among the imperative needs. So the Board conceived the plan of raising funds for building purposes by issuing 10 year bonds drawing $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. interest. Subscriptions for some \$50,000 of these bonds have been received, and up to date about \$33,000 has been actually paid in for the same. And so on the ruins of the old Auditorium building, using the old foundation and walls as far as possible, a new fire proof library building has been raised, and Central College now owns one of the most commodious and serviceable college library buildings of any in the state. Work has also begun on a Ladies' Dormitory building, which is to be modern in construction, fire proof, and affording adequate accommodations for the young ladies' of the school. The basement is equipped as a large dining hall, where the young men as well as the young women can secure board at reasonable rates.

FINANCIAL.

It affords great relief and satisfaction to the administration of the College to state that they were able to close the college year without debt. While in some respects our finances are not what they should be, and are far below what we hoped them to be, yet we feel grateful that in spite of war conditions and extraordinary drains on our treasury, we have been able to meet our obligations as we went, and that our credit is good, 100 cents on the dollar. The churches have contributed loyally toward our current expense fund, fully doubling their contribution of last year. For this the administration feels profoundly grateful. This also augurs well for the support of the school, in the future. And this is the more gratifying since every Classis west of the Mississippi has willingly promised 4 per cent. of their benevolences next year toward the support of Central College. If that promise is realized, it means that Central will secure still greater support from the churches.

The canvass for the enlargement of our endowment has been lagging somewhat. This was partly due to the illness of our Financial Agent, who on that account was confined to his house for more than three months. Nevertheless we are able to report an addition of some \$38,000 to our endowment this year, making the total of our productive endowment up to date about \$96,000. By action of the different Classes, Central College now has the right of way to canvass in all the Reformed churches west of Chicago, and the ad-

ministration feels that we have need of more men to take advantage of these open doors.

In view of the growing needs of the college, the Board of Trustees would respectfully ask General Synod to recommend their school to the Board of Education R. C. A. for at least the same amount that was designated last year, namely \$3,500.

Respectfully submitted,

J. WESSELINK,
Secretary of Board of Trustees.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE NORTH- WESTERN CLASSICAL ACADEMY.

To the General Synod, R. C. A.

Fathers and Brethren: The past year was characterized by an unprecedented series of surprises; some of which brought but little cheer, while many were freighted with agreeable consequences. The effects of the war have been felt in many ways, and it is readily understood that they have not contributed to the prosperity of the institution. However, we have been favored above many other schools of learning and in some respects the war has been a blessing for us. In looking back over the past year, it may be difficult to estimate correctly the value of the work done; however, a survey of the past years reveals abundant reason to be grateful. The many graduates of this institution who are now filling positions of usefulness in church and state furnish proof positive that the Academy abides under the blessing of God Almighty.

Last year a class of eleven was graduated, making the total number of graduates 377. More than half of these eleven are continuing their studies in higher institutions, and some are preparing themselves for the Gospel ministry or medical missionary work.

The enrollment this year has been, we believe, the largest in the history of the institution, 86 boys and girls having entered. Four of last year's students who otherwise would have been with us entered the service of the United States.

The actual attendance at present is 82. Two of the four who have left us have joined the forces of Uncle Sam, and two found their abilities unequal to the work. Owing to an unusual amount of sickness, the attendance has been somewhat irregular. We regret this, but such conditions are beyond our control. Necessity for discipline has been at a minimum this year; and for this credit is due both to the good will of the students and the tact of the teachers. The work of the students has been fair; more could be done

by many. The need for a suitable and convenient place for physical training remains pressing.

The corps of teachers of this year is on the whole as good as any we have ever had. The order in the various rooms leaves only little to be desired. Likewise it may be said that the teachers are intellectually able to impart knowledge. Greater interest on the part of the students in the work would naturally produce better results. We are glad that all but one of the teachers will return next year; and even this one would but expects to be called into service at any time.

The nature of the work has been the same as last year. Such subjects as Domestic Science and Agriculture were not offered because there was no particular demand for them. It were desirable if we could offer these subjects at any time, but the difficulty of securing as teacher of these branches one who is at the same time in sympathy with the Reformed Church causes us to hesitate to press this matter. Encouraging words as to the work done in this institution have been received from the State Board of Education.

The financial condition of the Academy is very encouraging: this is true of both the Endowment and the Contingent Funds.

The Endowment Fund, two years ago, amounted to \$15,425.00. Since that time, because of a successful drive made by Elder K. De Jong, Rev. F. Lubbers, and others, this Fund has been increased to \$48,505.07. Of this \$33,050.00 is invested in mortgages and notes well secured; the rest is in the form of notes on which the contributors themselves pay interest.

The following statement will show the condition of the Contingent Fund.

CONTINGENT FUND.

From April 3, 1917, to March 31, 1918.

RECEIPTS.

Balance, April 3, 1917.....	\$1,068 04
Board of Education, R. C. A.....	600 00
Miscellaneous	7 81
Individual gifts	190 00
Fees from students	1,638 00
Interest from Endowment Fund	2,343 89
Donations from churches—	
Pella Classis	15 00
Cascades Classis	13 60
Dakota Classis	137 46
Iowa Classis	2,728 12
Total	<hr/> \$8,741 92

EXPENDITURES.

Salaries—	
Janitor	\$480 00
Teachers	4,370 00
Light	12 90
Fuel	485 85
Printing	54 50
Library	55 00
Reading room	25 00
Postage	7 61
Repairs and labor	191 75
Supplies	132 87
Contest and Commencement	8 72
Paving of streets	256 12
Miscellaneous	532 68
Balance, March 31, 1918.....	2,155 92
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Total	\$8,741 92

This statement speaks for itself. However, two or three items need to be particularly noted. From the Board of Education, R. C. A., but one-half of the appropriation has been received. The amount received in fees has increased because of the increased number of students, and because of the fact that the fees are now \$20.00 instead of \$18.00. An interesting and encouraging item is the amount received as interest on invested monies. This is about \$1,500.00 more than last year; and this fact will teach us to appreciate the value of an adequate endowment. The churches of the Iowa Classis have contributed generously, while some of the Dakoto Classis churches have been negligent.

All but one bill has been paid. There is still due on the street paying assessment \$3,500.00. To liquidate this in part, about \$1,000.00 has been collected from the neighboring farmers and townspeople. Where the remainder is forthcoming, we do not know. Outside of this about \$1,600.00 will be needed to pay running expenses for the remainder of this school year.

The past two years has abundantly demonstrated that the Academy has a host of friends. The reason for this, we believe, is found in the fact that this institution has been permitted to send into the world many men and women to labor for the welfare of state and church. However, it remains true that many of the young people of this community are lost for the church and do not receive a higher Christian education in the schools of the church. To counteract this and to solve this problem, not a few have become persuaded of the necessity of raising this institution to the rank of a

Junior College, by adding the first two years of college work. This is the program we suggest and believe feasible if all pull together.

Respectfully submitted,

BOARD OF TRUSTEES N. W. C. A.,
Orange City, Iowa.

ANNUAL REPORT OF PLEASANT PRAIRIE ACADEMY.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church of America.

In presenting our annual report it is with hearts of gratitude to God that, notwithstanding the many difficulties we had to encounter during the past year, our work has not suffered seriously, but, on the contrary, we have been signally blessed in many ways.

THE FACULTY.

We lost two members. Miss Heitland was called home and Prof. H. E. Schoon called to follow the flag in the service of the country.

We found it very difficult to fill these places until we succeeded in getting Mr. William Everts, a graduate of Central College at Pella, who filled the place made vacant by the resignation of Prof. Schoon; and Miss Heitland's place was temporarily supplied by two members of our Senior Normal class, all of which did acceptable work.

Since Prof. Everts in all probability will also be called to serve the country, we are again in the same condition as last year, but steps have been taken already to secure proper teachers to fill the vacancies. Our aim is, of course, not only to secure teachers, but able teachers who are also in sympathy with our Reformed church and members of the same.

ENROLLMENT.

During the first Semester of the present school year we have had an enrollment of 44. Adding to these the three graduates of last June gives us 47, a better showing than in any previous year. During the present Semester the number has decreased, principally by reason that the boys above 21 years of age were called home to be drafted for service in the camps. This leaves us in the middle of the second Semester only 34 students. These, of course, are conditions beyond our control.

Our students vary in age considerably, from 14-26 years, the average being above 17 years. This shows that an academy like ours can draw students which a high school cannot draw.

Perhaps it may also be of interest to state what our students are studying for. When we lately took a canvass, we found that 9 expressed their intention to prepare for the ministry of the Gospel, 10 to become teachers, 3 electrical engineers or draftsmen, 1 wants a business education, and 1 intends to become a nurse. The rest were undecided.

RELIGIOUS CONDITION.

We can see that the work of the Academy on religious lines is appreciated and bears good fruit. It applies to us, however, also, what the good book says: "The natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit." In many cases it requires time and patience until we can notice a living interest by the student. The word of James applies here: "Be patient therefore, brethren. Behold the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth and has long patience for it, until he receive the early and the latter rain." James 5:7. Faith and prayer lays hold upon the promise: "My word shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it." And of the truth of these promises we have seen many examples, when the student has finished the Academy course, and we expect to see more.

Much time—4 periods each week, for three separate classes, is devoted to instruction in the Bible and the catechism the first hour of each day. Two devotional meetings are held mornings and evenings, led by the teachers and one prayer meeting led by the students. By these means a spiritual atmosphere is cultivated and the influence is wholesome to all.

THE FINANCES.

In the following we give the treasurer's report for the year ending March 12, 1918:

Receipts—

From Churches	\$2,476 56
Students' Fees	523 75
Interest	185 58
Board of Education	1,200 00
<i>Expenses to date.....</i>	<i>\$3,794 04</i>

To this your Committee will add that subscriptions for the Endowment Fund were gathered during the year to raise same to at least \$12,000.00.

PRESENT CONDITION.

When we look back upon this school year full of difficulties, we must proclaim the truth loudly: "Hitherto the Lord has helped us!" The long severe winter, the scarcity of fuel, a defective heating plant, great winter storms with mountains of snow, deteriorating in slush and mud, which made regularity of attendance by outside students almost impossible and other things combined to hamper us in our work. But the boys and girls showed great courage in fighting the game, and for which they deserve commendation. When our coal gave out and none was to be had, the boys worked their way through the deep snow and cut down some trees of the Campus to keep us warm and alive until more fuel arrived and could be gotten.

Many improvements are needed, because the buildings, which were erected 24 years ago are becoming defective, especially the roofs. Plans were under way to give new roofs to them, and would have been carried out last year had not the question come up of moving the school to a different location. This question is to be definitely settled at the spring session of Classis, but whether or not the matter be attended to this year, if the work is to go on. Of other improvements which are under way and which are very much needed, we can speak more definitely later on.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. That our hearty thanks be given to the Board of Education and to churches, societies and individuals of the Classes of Pleasant Prairie and Germania for the splendid support they have given to this cause.

2. That the Classes named above be asked to give us their approval in applying for aid from General Synod for another year, in the same sum as received last year, \$1,200.00, which application is hereby respectfully made.

3. That Pastors, Churches, Societies and individuals of the Classes of Pl. Prairie and Germania be called upon to continue their friendly attitude towards the cause of Christian Education and, if possible, increase their gifts to the extent that the school may become self-sustaining in the near future.

Respectfully submitted,

For the Ex. Com. of the Board of Directors,

A. F. BEYER, *Principal*.

SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WISCONSIN
MEMORIAL ACADEMY'S BOARD OF TRUSTEES,

March 28, 1918.

Dear Brethren: In presenting this annual report we can speak of the past year as one, not of extraordinary gains in any special line, but rather of regular, routine work. The instruction has been carried on as usual, the school's work is recognized without question by the State University, its graduates continue to give a good account of themselves in the Wisconsin normals and colleges and at Hope, its attendance has slightly increased, there have been no unpleasantnesses to mar the school term, and a wholesome interest and hearty support have been manifested by the friends of the institution. All these things have contributed to a year which we can regard with some degree of satisfaction, and which we trust will prove a stepping-stone to further progress in the future.

FACULTY.

At the close of the school term last June the Academy lost the valuable services of Principal Willard P. Vander Laan, who had served as the head of its faculty for six years. Theodore F. Zwemer has taken his place as principal and had charge of Bible Study, Greek, and some of the Science and Latin. Miss Catherine Hekhuis remained in charge of the English-Latin department until the illness of her mother compelled her resignation in December; Miss Ruth Veldhuis was engaged in her place. Mr. Elmer J. Ter Maat succeeded Mr. M. E. Flipse in History, and Miss Susanna Soerens came in place of Miss Minnie De Feyter in Mathematics and German.

STUDENTS.

Last June a class of seven was graduated. This fall a Freshman class of nineteen was enrolled making a total attendance of forty-eight. The present attendance is forty, a slight increase over last year.

One of the striking features of the Academy is the excellent attitude toward the school on the part of the students. With almost no exception there is a hearty co-operation between them and the faculty, stimulated by a wholesome Academy enthusiasm.

The attitude of the students toward their work is also, on the whole, satisfactory. There are several students with a very fair measure of natural ability, and not a few others who attain results of the first order by dint of hard and thoro study.

GENERAL SYNOD.

OBJECT OF TEACHING.

The aim of the instruction given has been not simply to have the student accumulate a mass of facts, but to train him in the art of thinking for himself and in the ability to act, to develop in him a right attitude toward his work, and in it all to hold forth the ideal of Christian character as the "summum bonum" of all learning and development.

EQUIPMENT ADDED.

A small sum has been invested in the course of the year for physical laboratory equipment, so that a complete and up-to-date laboratory course is being given. From the money left by the class of 1917 a new flag is being purchased, since the old one is too worn for display outside. It is probable that other additions will be made from the proceeds of the annual entertainment given by the students and the coming Senior class play. This is only one expression of the loyalty of the student body.

FINANCES.

The following is a condensed statement of the condition of the treasury:

Balance on hand, March, 1917.....	\$500 03
Total received throughout the year.....	3,096 68
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	\$3,596 71
Total expended	3,215 31
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Balance on hand	\$381 40

As the sum of seven hundred and fifty dollars is still to come from the Board of Education, it is probable that the school year will close without an increased deficit. Financially, we have been just able, this year, to hold our own.

NEEDS.

The Academy's needs remain unchanged, and the first is an endowment fund. This will put the Academy's finances on a sound footing, and make possible a distinct advance.

The need requiring most emphasis just at present is that of more students, especially from the outlying churches. While the

enrollment today is larger than last year, it is not as large as some years previous, and certainly not as large as it should be.

Also, only fifteen percent of these come from outside of Cedar Grove and the vicinity. And yet the Academy was designed to serve all the Wisconsin churches, and, certainly, it is to such an institution, rather than to a state high school that one must look for the development of an educated Christian leadership in the church. This year a hearty co-operation on the part of pastors of several outlying churches has not only been an encouragement, but also produced tangible results. An awakening of interest and enthusiasm among the churches seems to be the answer demanded by this need for more students.

RESOLUTIONS.

At the March meeting of the Board of Trustees it was resolved:

That Classis be asked to kindly recommend the Academy for aid to the Board of Education in the amount of \$1,500.00.

That Classis be asked to approve the reappointment, as members of the Board, of H. Damkot, J. B. Huenink, James Kooman and Rev. J. H. Straks, for the regular term of three years, and to appoint Rev. H. Dykhuizen in the place of Rev. H. M. Bruins, also for the term of three years, and Rev. P. Swart in the place of Rev. H. K. Pasma for the term of two years.

And above all, the interest, the sympathy, and especially the prayers of the churches are requested, that God may grant the Academy his guidance and blessing and enable it to fulfill its allotted task in the upbuilding of his kingdom.

Respectfully submitted,

Board of Trustees,

THEODORE F. ZWEMER, *Principal*.

CORNELIUS KUYPER, *Sec'y of the Board*.

THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, ACADEMIES AND COLLEGES.

Mr. President, Fathers and Brethren:

Your Committee on Education begs to report; we have received the following communications:

1. The eighty-sixth annual report of the Board of Education.
2. The annual report of Trustees of the Northwestern Classical Academy, together with a request from the Classis of Iowa for aid from the Board for the Academy in the amount of \$1,200.

3. The annual report of the Board of Direction of the Pleasant Prairie Academy, with a request for aid from the Board in the amount of \$1,200.

4. The seventeenth report of the Board of Trustees of the Wisconsin Memorial Academy, accompanied by a request from the Classis of Wisconsin for aid to the Academy, in the amount of \$1,500.

5. The fifty-second annual report of the Council of Hope College, containing a request to Synod to authorize an appropriation of 4,000 for the ensuing year.

6. A communication from the Council of Hope College regarding the election of Professor Edward D. Dimment as President of Hope College.

7. The second annual report of the Board of Trustees of Central College, with a request for aid in the amount of \$3,500.

8. Financial statements of the Classical Board of Benevolence, the Northwestern Classical Academy, the Pleasant Prairie Academy, and the Classical Board of Education of the Northwest.

9. A communication from the Classis of Holland, asking Synod to waive the rule governing aid to students who marry before graduation, in the case of M. Eugene Flipse, a student in the New Brunswick Theological Seminary.

The report of the Board of Education informs Synod that 63 students for the Ministry are not enrolled as being aided by the Board, and that 19 are out on war leave.

A copy of rules for medical missionary students is embodied in the report, and submitted to Synod for its approval.

The report states that the Board looks with continued favor upon the proposition relative to the acceptance of Central College, and the efforts on the part of those appointed to secure funds to raise the required endowment fund of \$200,000.

The statement of the investigation made by the Board's committee on survey indicates that the most important work just now is the study of the sources of ministerial supply, and that conditions are exceedingly serious. Large numbers of men have gone into the war service; few men are offering themselves for the ministry; changes that will be made by war conditions, and reconstruction after the war will require trained men.

The situation must be met by an intensive cultivation of the field.

The Christian ministry, as a profession, must be presented to Sunday Schools and public schools; the advantages, claims and joys of the Christian ministry must be revealed to the youth.

The financial statement shows that \$10,213.26 was received in contributions from churches, which is more than ever recorded be-

fore since the opening of the century. In addition to this amount \$3,509.32 came from special sources. On account of these generous contributions, and the small number of students needing aid this year, the Board has been able to pay in full the appropriations recommended by General Synod, and to make some additional appropriations to colleges and seminaries.

Your committee calls the special attention of Synod to the conclusion of the Board's report. It emphasizes the two mighty truths of God's eternal covenant plan for saving and blessing the world, through the gift of His Son, and that He is calling and training and baptizing with His spirit of power men to go into all the world to preach the gospel, as his witnesses. It urges the prayer and effort of the church for the students following the Flag, that they may be spared and return to their studies; that young men permitted to continue their studies for the ministry may not hastily enlist for War service, and that the needed students may be found to fill up the ranks of the Christian ministry.

The Board reports that the term of office of the following members will expire, and that their places are to be filled:

Rev. Ame Venneman,	Mr. John E. Ackerman,
Rev. John W. Beardslee,	Mr. Charles L. Livingston,
Rev. Elias W. Thompson,	Mr. Henry H. Dawson,
Rev. Jasper S. Hogan,	Mr. Francis B. Sanford.

The Board nominates Reller D. Van Wagenan for recommendation by the General Synod to the Board of Trustees of Rutgers College, for aid from the Rebecca Knox fund.

The Board of Trustees of the Wisconsin Memorial Academy reports a successful year. Its school work is recognized without question by the State University. Last June it lost the valuable services of its Principal, Williard P. Vander Laan, who had served at the head of its faculty for six years. Theodore F. Zwemer has taken his place. The present number of students in attendance is forty, all of whom are loyal, and their work is satisfactory. The Institution closed the year with a small balance on hand. The need of an Endowment Fund is keenly felt.

The Pleasant Prairie Academy reports a year of blessings in spite of difficulties. A change in the faculty is reported on account of the resignation of two teachers. The enrollment is 44, which is a better showing than in any previous year. Students vary in age from 14 to 26 years. Nine are preparing for the gospel ministry. Much time is devoted to the study of the Bible, and the catechism, and two devotional meetings are held each day. The Board of Direction reports a real need of improvement in the building, and have plans under way to remove the school to a different locality.

The report of the Northwestern Classical Academy indicates many reasons for gratitude. A class of 11 graduated, the majority of these are continuing their studies in higher institutions, and some of them are preparing for the gospel ministry, or medical missionary work. The Academy has an enrollment of 86. The necessity of discipline has been at a minimum. Need of a suitable place for physical training remains pressing. The Board reports that the financial condition is very encouraging, both as to the endowment and contingent fund. During the year the Endowment Fund has been increased from \$15,425.00 to \$48,505.07. The Contingent Fund shows a balance of \$1,068.04. It is evident that the Academy has a host of friends. The reasons for this is found in the fact that this institution has been permitted to send a large number of men and women into the world (377) who labor for the welfare of State and Church.

Central College sends a most gratifying report. The new President, the Rev. Milton J. Hoffman, has proved himself the right man in the right place, and the success of this second year of administration under the auspices of the Reformed Church is largely due to his effective and untiring efforts. While in other institutions the enrollment on account of war conditions has fallen off from 10 to 15 per cent., Central reports a 20 per cent. increase in excess of last year. The total number of students in all departments is 209. One hundred and twenty-one are of the Reformed Church, 36 are Baptists, and 35 belong to other denominations. It deserves special attention that 90 per cent. of these students come from districts that never contributed any students to the educational institutions of the Reformed Church. The Board reports too, that a marked progress has been made in buildings and equipment. To provide for the immediate need, the Board conceived a plan for raising funds for building purposes by issuing ten year bonds, drawing 4½ per cent. interest. Subscriptions for about 50,000 of these bonds have been received, and \$33,000 actually paid. On the ruins of the old Auditorium building a new fire-proof Library building has been raised. Work has also begun on a Ladies' Dormitory building.

The administration closed the year without a deficit. Churches have contributed loyally to current expenses, and every Classis west of the Mississippi has willingly pledged four per cent. of its benevolences next year towards the support of the College. Strenuous and successful efforts are being made to raise the required Endowment Fund of \$200,000. Just about one-half of this amount has been secured.

The Council of Hope College reports that the Institution is affected by war conditions. Sixty-four students have entered the service of the country. The enrollment of students is as follows:

Colleges 205. Preparatory School 84. School of Music 66.
Total 355.

The report states that in addition to the war as the cause of the reduced number of students, it should be remembered that a new college has been placed in Iowa, a Junior College in Grand Rapids, that a number of village schools within easy distance of Holland are doing ninth and tenth grade work, and that High Schools throughout the State are admitting students without charge. The religious condition of the Institution has been maintained upon the level of former years.

The Student Friendship Campaign to which Hope College contributed \$1,000 for Suffering student prisoners in Europe, and the Student Patriotic League organized to supervise all patriotic efforts, of Hope Y. W. C. A. are counted among the special events of the year.

In the Michigan Oratorical League Contest, Hope gained the singular distinction of winning first place, both on the men's and women's side. The College closed the year with a small balance in the treasury. The debt was decreased by \$3,116. The permanent fund increased by \$2,339.60.

The Institution has sustained a great loss in the resignation of Dr. Vennema as President, after seven year's of successful service. He has the respect of the entire church East and West, and occupied a commanding position among the College Presidents and Educators of the State of Michigan.

The Communication of the Secretary of the Council reports the election of Prof. Edward D. Dimment, by a unanimous vote of the Council, as President to succeed Dr. Vennema, and asks General Synod to ratify and confirm this action.

"Professor Edward D. Dimment, the newly elected President of Hope College, graduated from Hope in 1896 with high honors, as a student he made an enviable record for scholarship which has rarely been equaled and never excelled. After his graduation he took two years' of study in the Western Theological Seminary. During one of these years, 1897, while carrying on his full studies at the seminary, he also performed the duties of Assistant Professor of Greek and Latin at the College.

In 1898 when Prof. John G. Gillespie resigned the chair of Greek at Hope to become Professor in the New Brunswick Theological Seminary, the Council elected Prof. Dimment as his successor, and he discontinued his theological studies to accept this call. Although only 23 years of age at the time, and coming in daily contact with the young people who had been his fellow students, he at once filled the new position to the entire satisfaction of the College authority and the student body. In addition to his studies of Greek,

which he has since performed, he has acted as Registrar and Treasurer of the College.

In 1906 he was elected as Vice President to succeed the late Professor John H. Kleinheksel, which position he declined.

No man is more familiar with all business matters connected with the College, and no teacher is more universally beloved by the students. He has been called to assume the new responsibilities in the very prime of life, ripe in experience, with rare scholarship, in almost every line of human research, and with an almost unlimited capacity for work.

Of him the late President Kollen once said: "Dimment knows more about more things than any man I have ever seen." He will guide Hope along the lines laid down by the fathers, and will keep her abreast with the forward march of the times."

While it is a matter of deep regret that Dr. Vennema felt constrained to resign as President of Hope College, the Council is to be congratulated on their choice of Prof. Dimment who possesses so many excellent qualifications for the position.

The term of officers of the following members expires with this session of General Synod:

Mr. A. A. Raven, Rev. John Lamar.

As to the recommendation of the Classis of Holland, in regard to the support of one of the students in the Seminary at New Brunswick, your Committee after careful consideration, reports that the rule governing students who marry before graduation, has been in operation since 1857, and reads:

"Students shall cease to receive the assistance of the Board when they marry."

In a few exceptional instances the Board of Education has assumed the authority to permit a student to marry while pursuing his Seminary studies, and to continue to receive aid from its fund.

Your Committee recognizes the wisdom and desirability of Synod's rule, but believes that every case should be determined upon its own individual merits, and that the scholarship, character and efficiency of the student who marries, as well as the special providences in his life, should have consideration in deciding upon the wisdom or unwisdom of his course in so doing.

Inasmuch as the Board of Education is the proper and appointed organization to investigate and decide upon these individual merits, your Committee is of opinion that the special recommendation should be referred to the Board with full authority to act in the matter.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

Your Committee offers the following recommendations:

1. That the following be appointed by General Synod as members of the Board of Education:

Rev. J. W. Beardslee, Sr.,	Mr. John E. Ackerman.
Rev. Milton J. Hoffman,	Mr. Charles L. Livingston,
Rev. Elias W. Thompson,	Mr. Henry H. Dawson,
Rev. Jasper S. Hogan,	Mr. Francis B. Sanford.

That the Rev. Theodore W. Welles, who has served the Board as Recording Secretary for so many years be made an Honorary Life Member of the Board, and that Rev. J. F. Zwemer of the Western Theological Seminary be appointed as Active Member of the Board in the place of Dr. Welles, and that Prof. Edward D. Dimment fill the unexpired term of Prof. F. R. Hutton, deceased.

2. That the Board's committee on survey continue its excellent work of investigating and giving information on the things vital to education.

3. That Synod continues its fullest sympathy with the existence and work of the Council of Church Boards of Education, and desires to continue its relationship with this Council through our own Board.

4. That the Central College Committee of the Board be continued, and that the Board be authorized to fill the vacancy on this Committee caused by the death of Dr. F. R. Hutton. That Synod hereby expresses its profound appreciation of the eminently able services of Dr. Hutton, deceased, rendered by him as member of this Committee.

5. That Synod recommends Reller D. Van Wagenan, to the Board of Trustees of Rutgers College for aid from the Rebecca Knox Fund.

6. That Synod approves "Rules for Medical Missionary Students" prepared by the Board of Education.

7. That the last Thursday or Sunday of January be observed throughout the Church as a day of Prayer for Schools, Colleges and Seminaries.

8. That the Wisconsin Memorial Academy be recommended to the Board of Education for aid in the amount of \$1,500.

9. That the Pleasant Prairie Academy and the Northwestern Academy be each recommended to the Board for aid in the amount of \$1,200.

10. That Hope College be recommended to the Board for the sum of \$4,000.

11. That Central College be so recommended in the amount of \$3,500.

12. That the following be appointed members of the Council of Hope College:

Rev. A. Vennema, Rev. John Lamar.

and that Synod appoint the Honorable Arend Visscher, and the Hon. G. J. Diekema, whose appointment was omitted last year.

13. That all churches be strongly urged to give an annual offering to Hope College.

14. That Synod commends the interest of Central College to all churches, especially to that section which the College will primarily serve.

15. That Synod ratify and endorses the election of Prof. Edward D. Dimment, as President of Hope College, and that both the President and Vice President of Synod be asked to take part in the installation services of Prof. Dimment, and that Synod defrays the traveling expenses of the Vice President, Dr. Leggett.

16. That the request of the Classis of Holland in regard to the aid of Mr. M. Eugene Flipse be referred to the Board of Education with full authority to act.

17. That the Board of Education be recommended to the Churches for at least \$20,000 and that every church be urged to make a strenuous effort to raise its quota towards this amount.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

(Signed)

S. VANDER WERF,
GEO. Z. COLLIER,
PHILIP T. PHELPS,
E. WARD DECKER,
CHARLES F. STUBE,
WM. M. BEEKMAN,
ROBERT L. STEVENS,

Pending the adoption of the Report Synod was addressed by Rev. John G. Gebhard, Cor. Sec'y of the Board, Rev. E. W. Thompson, president of the Board, and Rev. Milton Hoffman, president of Central College.

The Report was adopted.

ARTICLE VII.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

The Permanent Committee on Sunday Schools and Young People's Societies has been discontinued.

References formerly made to the Committee are now made to the Standing Committee on Publication and Bible School Work.

The work formerly performed by this Committee has been taken over by the Board of Publication and Bible School Work.

ARTICLE VIII.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

There has been placed in the hands of your Committee, the annual report of the Board of Foreign Missions, the annual report of the Women's Board of Foreign Missions, a copy of their work in Asia, a Forward Movement plan signed by all the Secretaries of our Board, and the detailed plan of this Forward Movement for our Foreign Board. In attempting to digest this material, your Committee has found it convenient to consider it under three heads:

First—The work on the field.

Second—The work in the Home Office, and

Third—The work among the home churches.

Owing to the large amount of material thus coming under the work of this Committee, we would respectfully suggest that hereafter advanced copies of the reports of the Boards be placed in the hands of the Chairman of the Committee not later than ten days before the meeting of General Synod. This would greatly facilitate the preparation of the report.

The consideration of these three departments of the work of Foreign Missions as represented by the reports placed in the hands of your Committee shows a most amazing and gratifying result. With the world torn by conflict and the consequent upheavals in all communities where our mission stations are placed, with anxiety and complex problems at home, the Board has nevertheless, had what must be considered in many ways the most unusual year in its history. While it is difficult to restrain our enthusiasm, we must present at least, some proof of the actual facts, in order that General Synod may have some idea just how remarkable this year has been.

I. THE WORK OF THE FIELD.

CHINA.

The outstanding feature of the report of the Amoy Mission is the plan to take over the new territory to the North of our pres-

ent work. This extension will be made possible by the completion of the Amoy Commemoration and Fagg Memorial Fund. The normal activities among the churches in China have been maintained, while the education and medical work shows gain above the average, although like the rest of the world, China has felt the impact of the strife among the nations. In the Amoy district, on September 12, a terrific typhoon left ruin and death in its wake. A Christian who was on one of the cargo boats in the harbor that night was washed off into the raging sea. After a thrilling experience he finally succeeded in reaching shore. He came to his Pastor and said, "I am going home to tell my parents I shall do the Lord's work and prepare to be a preacher." "They are heathen and object, but I shall tell them their son died in the storm. My life has been brought back out of death and I owe it to the Lord who rescued me."

Although the loss to mission property was large, it has been repaired through a special grant from the Board.

The second outstanding experience of the year's work was the visit of Mr. Buchman of Hartford, Conn., whose evangelistic work has raised the spiritual tone of the mission, and has been a splendid preparation for Mr. Eddy's coming evangelistic campaign.

INDIA.

After reading carefully the report of the Arcot Mission in India, your Committee would note four outstanding features:

1. We are impressed with the work of the Indian church board in developing an autonomous church. The progress of self-determination in the Indian church is cause for great gratification.

2. In the guidance and participation in the mass movement in India, our mission has played an important and conspicuous part. This mass movement is one of the most remarkable experiences of missionary history. With people coming, not only individually and in small groups, but actually by communities, knocking for admission at the doors of the Christian church, you can readily understand the great responsibility which this places upon our mission, and all affiliated with them in this remarkable evangelistic work.

3. We note also with satisfaction, the increase of interdenominational work, which has been developed during the past year by our mission in co-operation with the other Boards. There is a unity in Christian work on the field in India, which marks the way for the church at home. The example of this co-operative effort is inspiring to us all.

4. Reading between the lines of the report, your Committee is impressed by the conditions as they exist in India, which have wider

significance for the future; not alone of Christian missions, but for civilization. Not much is permitted to pass the censors, but we believe we are within the confines of propriety when we state that our missionaries and Government in India have the most cordial understanding. Our missionaries have been of real assistance to Government in maintaining peace in India during these troublous times. The significance of this co-operation must be apparent to all who realize the nature of the problem facing the British Government in India.

JAPAN.

The report from the Japan Mission shows that a large advance has been made there. This has been the first year of the re-united mission. Where formerly our work had to be carried on in the Northern part of Japan, after crossing the territory of the Reformed Church in the United States, now all that work has been turned over to our denomination, and our work is now centered in the southern part of Japan, and especially upon the Island of Kiu Shiu. The recognition of Dr. Booth, who was decorated by the Mikado, is one of the outstanding incidents in the year's work. Your Committee has been especially impressed with Mr. Peiters' remarkable evangelistic campaign through newspaper advertising. He is recognized as the leader of all the missionaries in Japan in this particular form of Christian enterprise. He has been advertising in the newspapers the essentials of christian truth, and through this way has disseminated over a large territory, the message of the gospel. The work of our missionaries in Japan in both christian and educational institutions shows very clearly that we have every reason to rejoice, and take courage. No more difficult field, nor any more important work, demands the attention of our Board. By emphasis upon evangelism, and also by the re-organization for greater efficiency, we believe the past year has been of the utmost significance for our work in Japan.

ARABIA.

The report from Arabia reads like a romance. Your Committee makes no attempt here to digest that report. We respectfully refer the members of Synod for details to the report itself. However, if the members of Synod will recall that it is in this part of the world that the British Government has been successfully operating against the forces of autocracy, in the Orient, and if we further realize, that it is here that a halt has been called upon the German plan for the Bagdad route, we will gain some idea of the almost unbelievable

changes that have occurred as affecting the work of our Arabian Mission.

While it is evident from the report that the Arab is more tolerant than ever, it is equally evident that he is finding it exceedingly difficult to see very much for the future, either in his old religion, or in the new faith, which our missionaries proclaim. If Mohammedanism has failed to prevent the nations from flying at one another's throats, so equally does the Arabian view the failure of the Christian's faith. To him, sin and selfishness are as evident in the one case as in the other. Nevertheless, there are not wanting signs of the opening of this great Mesopotamian field to the Gospel of Christ.

Your Committee would call your attention to three outstanding facts in the history of the year in Arabia.

1. The development of the most cordial relations between the British Government and our missionaries is of utmost significance. The British Government shows a disposition to use our schools for higher education at Basrah, and to make them the basis of all the educational development of the Mesopotamian Valley. Our missionaries are writing the text books, and teachers with our Normal certificates are to be appointed to the schools. In this time of tremendous change, is it not of utmost importance, and indeed, of prophetic significance, that the missionaries of the Cross should be so involved in the whole situation?

2. Especially important in the report of the Arabian Mission is the account it gives of Dr. Harrison's visit to the Sheik of Riadh, where he was not only very cordially received, but invited to return. This is in a real sense the centre of the whole empire of Islam, and is probably the most important city in the entire peninsula. Through this opening, for which years of prayer have been offered, there is certain to be a great opportunity for the growth and development of Christianity.

3. In commenting upon the report of the Arabian Mission, we would not omit the testimony of our missionaries to the real spiritual advance of Christ's Kingdom, in this strong-hold of the most powerful of the non-christian religions. It has been a year of outstanding progress, and of great achievement, notwithstanding the restrictions and difficulties, which however, the superb faith of Christian men and women is able to meet.

II. THE WORK AT HOME.

The *Work at Home*, as carried on by the Board of Foreign Missions and its Secretaries, has also been remarkable in a year of war. Problems new and difficult have continually bristled upon the horizon of our Board. The account of the year's activities is all the

more wonderful when one remembers how seriously all forms of work have been affected. If there is one enterprise, which would seem of necessity to be bound to suffer, one would naturally think it would be the work of Foreign Missions. Let the history of the past year be the challenge to all who imagine that God can forget His own.

The death of Dr. John G. Fagg was a serious blow both to the Board, and the church as a whole. It was fortunate that Dr. Henry E. Cobb was so magnificently capable of assuming the duties as President of the Board, which had been laid down by his long time friend and colleague. Dr. Cobb's winsome personality and great adaptability to the emergency have proved a great blessing in the year's work.

After four years of capable and helpful service, Dr. E. W. Miller was compelled, in October, to withdraw from the position of Home Secretary.. It was a matter of much regret that his health necessitated this action. Your committee would join with the Board in extending to him earnest wishes for a complete and speedy recovery. Again, it was providential and fortunate that the Rev. L. J. Shafer was home on a furlough from Japan, and able to assume the duties of Home Secretary temporarily. He has filled this position with great efficiency, and his work has resulted most happily for the Board.

Owing to Mr. Shafer's return to his work in Japan, the Board has found it necessary to fill his place, which it has done by the happy choice of Mr. F. M. Potter, formerly President of Voorhees College, in Vellore. Mr. Potter brings to the office of Associate Secretary unusual qualifications. He is the first Rhodes scholar from Rutgers' College and at Oxford made an enviable reputation both for scholarship and in other ways, including tennis and music. Until forced by ill health to return to this country, he was most successful as President in a critical period of the history of Voorhees College. The Board is to be congratulated upon his selection.

The success of the past year is most gratifying when you recall the scarcity of men on the home field, and the resultant difficulty of securing adequate missionary forces. For example, eight of our physicians who were doing efficient work on the foreign field or soon to go there, have responded to the call of their country. Other missionaries and candidates are also responding to the call for such service. We cannot but rejoice in the knowledge that our Board of Foreign Missions has made no small contribution to the great call of the Nation, and that our Service Flag contains 19 blue stars. Nevertheless, we cannot understand the difficulties of the year unless we remember how greatly the war has increased the task.

In addition to these difficulties, the Board opened the year with

a staggering deficit balance of \$29,500.00, the largest in many years. Indeed, the deficit at the beginning of the year seemed almost insuperable, and no one could have blamed the Board if at this session of General Synod they had been obliged to report a corresponding increase in the deficit. Is it not amazing, and is it not encouraging to learn that the Board has not only wiped out this deficit, but has met all its obligations in the maintaining of the regular work on the field, including the increased cost of maintenance of missionaries on all four fields. This has been done in spite of the increase of gold transmission to Amoy, which single item amounted to an increase of \$7,500. While it is only fair to say that there is a very probable liability of approximately \$11,000 when the bills for exchange to China come in, nevertheless, it is simply marvelous how the Board has been able to meet all of its obligations, including the debt of last year, and that, without curtailing the regular work of the missionaries. Nor is this all, for in addition, there has been raised \$50,000 for the Amoy Commemoration and Fagg Memorial Fund, and \$15,000 towards the Basrah Education Fund, a total of \$65,000, out of the \$100,000 needed for this advanced work; and your Committee has been informed that the balance of this money is practically assured.

It is worthy of note that the Board has been able to reduce the cost of administration over last year, in addition to its splendid record. As the Secretary has expressed it in his report, "We have met the obligations inherited from 1917 and all the obligations at present resting upon us both regular and special created by war conditions, both for the Board and the Arabian Mission, and our credit is unimpaired."

How large a part of this result is due to the wise counsel and untiring efforts of the Board and its Secretaries, we leave you to judge, but, your committee is of the opinion that it expresses the hearty sentiments of the General Synod when it congratulates the Board and Dr. Cobb, Mr. Shafer and Mr. Van Kersen for this remarkable result.

III. COOPERATION OF HOME CHURCH.

But the story of the year is not complete, nor indeed, could the results thus described be reached, were it not for the co-operation of the church at home. When we talk about the work that the missionaries have done upon the foreign field, and the skill exhibited in the might effort, we must remember that all this depends absolutely upon the response from the home base. The real reason for the gratifying results in the foreign fields is after all the loyal support of the Christians at home. Hence, we rejoice to learn that not only have

the churches on the foreign field increased their membership, upon confession of faith, by 25 per cent., and their contributions by 40 per cent.; not only has the Board in New York been able to decrease its expenses while carrying on the great work, but the churches have shown that with all the demands that have been made upon them within the past year they are unwilling to neglect the challenge put up to them by the Foreign Board. We are all familiar with the endless demands for contributions to the Red Cross, the Y. M. C. A., and the other various relief organizations, and yet our Churches increased their per capita giving from \$1.98 to \$2.04, and from all sources with a per capita giving of \$2.46 as against \$2.31 for last year.

Your Committee is informed that there probably is only one denomination which exceeds the Reformed Church in the matter of per capita gifts to Foreign Missions. Surely, that is a record for which we may reasonably be proud. The result of this increase in giving is that for the first time the total receipts of the year passed the figure of \$325,000 set by the General Synod for the last four years as the goal, and the gain over last year is \$22,839.00, by far the highest in our history.

Your Committee is of the opinion that one of the factors in producing the result was the general response to the One Day's Income Fund, which netted the denominational boards \$35,000 of which the Foreign Board received \$12,615.17.

Your Committee would therefore respectfully urge upon the Synod, and through them upon all of our churches, the continued support of this One Day's Income Fund.

From the beginning, our foreign work has been creditable to the churches. We are proud of our record, and justly so. The chart before you illustrates the steady growth of the work of the Kingdom commended to our care and the support of our churches to that work. The coming year will be more fraught with perplexities and difficulties as time goes on. The challenge of this magnificent report presented to the General Synod by our Board of Foreign Missions, is after all only the outcome of the work of that part of the church of our Lord and Master which this Synod represents. Christ bids us be loyal to Him. He summons us to carry on the work. Will you do it? The answer must come from you.

While we rejoice in what has been done, we would not allow our enthusiasm to carry us beyond the sober facing of the fact, that each year the missionaries have earnestly and urgently requested such advances as the Board could see its way clear to grant, and each year the Board has found it necessary to decline. Therefore, your Committee would express the hope that the Board may see its way clear to grant such reasonable advance as the mission-

aries may request, believing that the challenge of this year's unique and unparalleled report will be only a spur to the meeting of larger responsibilities on the part of our Churches.

CONCLUSIONS.

In all that we have said of the work of our Foreign Board we have been mindful of the splendid co-operation of the Women's Board, and appreciate the work of this latter organization, and while the work of the Women's Board does not come for review to your Committee, yet with the Board of Foreign Missions we deeply appreciate the fellowship, counsel and service rendered by the Women's Board through whose efforts so large an amount of money is annually obtained for the cause. And we rejoice with the Women's Board in the splendid part which they have had in the record for the year.

We would join with the Board in making to Synod the following recommendations:

1. That in view of the satisfactory experience of the past we renew the recommendation that the last Sunday in February be designated for the special presentation of the cause of Foreign Missions in our Churches and in their Sunday Schools.

2. That we continue our approval and recommendation of the Every Member Canvass now in successful use in a large number of our Churches as the best method for enlisting the financial assistance of the entire constituency of our Churches in support of the local Church and the denominational agencies.

3. That in view of the continuance of the conditions and the evident attitude of the Church, the One Day's Income Fund for Missions be continued another year.

4. That as a concrete expression of our resolve and our faith in its achievement we as a Board and as a Church definitely and purposefully undertake to move forward our financial goal from \$325,000 where it has stood since 1914 to \$350,000 as our fair obligation and attainable objective for the coming year.

5. That in view of the response of the Church during the first year of the war and of the plans being adopted by the leading denominations in America looking to a distinct and adequate development of Christian service in our country and in non-Christian lands, we accept for ourselves our part in a general denominational Forward Movement Program for the next five years involving the Board of Foreign Missions in the following:

- a. The increase of the workers so that each Mission shall be brought up to its full previous strength as soon as possible and that within the next five years the actual number of missionaries on the

field be increased by 10 per cent., involving an estimated average addition of 12 a year.

b. The greater efficiency of our work and the encouragement of the features in each field calling at this time for special effort.

1. *Japan*. Concentration and evangelization.

2. *China*. The evangelization of the North River District Extension.

3. *India*. The support of the Mass Movement looking to the evangelization and education of the people in the villages of our Arcot District.

4. *Arabia*. The new Mesopotamia to the north and the open door to the interior to the west.

c. The better equipment of the institutional work and care of our missionaries by the active support of an approved property list.

d. The adequate maintenance and equipment of the Missions.

1. The adoption of the principle of increasing the appropriations for work during the next five years at least 10 per cent. a year on each previous year.

2. The definite, progressive increase of the annual budget each year.

3. The aim to be an annual budget of \$500,000 in 1923.

In addition we would also recommend to General Synod that the following members of the Board, whose terms expire at this session be re-elected for the full term:

Rev. Henry E. Cobb,
Rev. J. Addison Jones,
Rev. John Engelsman,
Rev. H. J. Veldman,

Rev. A. Vennema,
Mr. A. P. Cobb,
Mr. W. E. Foster,
Mr. E. E. Olcott,

and that the Hon. A. Harry Moore, an elder in the Lafayette Reformed Church of Jersey City, and a Commissioner of Jersey City, be elected for the full term.

We would further recommend that the Rev. E. J. Blekkink, be elected to fill the unexpired term of the late Rev. Matthew Kolyn.

(Signed),

IRVING H. BERG,
LOUIS H. HOLDEN,
CLAUS OLANDT,
M. J. HOFFMAN,
M. C. RUISAARD,
P. K. DAME,
PETER V. CORTELYOU,
JAS. V. SMITH.

Pending the adoption of the Report the Rev. W. I. Chamberlain, Foreign Secretary of the Board addressed Synod. The Report was then adopted.

ARTICLE IX.

DOMESTIC MISSIONS AND THE CHURCH BUILDING FUND.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

Fathers and Brethren :

The eighty-sixth annual report of the Board of Domestic Missions, and the thirty-fifth annual report of the Women's Board, have been referred to this Committee.

The year was marked by a continuance of the divine favor which has attended its work in past years. We are greatly encouraged to know that the Board has been enabled to meet all the calls made by the several Classis for appropriations to aid their service, and the close of the year finds the treasury with a comfortable balance with which to begin the financing of the work that lies ahead.

War conditions have measurably affected the service of the Board, especially in the matter of church building, because of the increased cost of material and scarcity of labor. On the other hand, the fact that our country is at war has undoubtedly tended to quicken the spiritual life of the people.

In the light of the present national situation the Board conceives it a duty to use every endeavor, through the missionaries maintained or assisted by the funds of the church, to teach the people that Christian citizenship involves unquestionable loyalty to this Nation. Our's is the Reformed Church in America: hence, to us comes a share in the task of making this nation a land of righteousness.

Mission churches are finding it increasingly difficult to obtain pastors, because so many of the younger ministers are going into the service of the government of the Y. M. C. A. Should the war continue long the Board's report states that it will be necessary to couple a number of adjoining parishes under one pastor, or perhaps to increase largely the force of Classical missionaries, each of whom might have charge of half a dozen fields. In this particular Synod of Chicago alone there are at present about sixty churches and missions without settled pastors.

It deserves the attention of General Synod that nearly all of the

mission churches in the Particular Synod of Chicago now use the English language in one or more of their church services. The majority of new organizations in Michigan and other centers in the Middle West are exclusively English speaking.

The Far Western Work calls loudly for reinforcements. One Classical Missionary in the Dakotas is endeavoring to do the work of at least three men. In the Classis of the Cascades two men are caring for large number of widely scattered fields. This work is largely among recent immigrants who would otherwise be destitute of spiritual oversight. This missionary effort should appeal to the missionary heart of the whole Church.

The opening at St. Thomas in the Virgin Islands promises well for the future. A new New Brunswick Seminary graduate of the class of 1918 has been assigned to this field.

During the year five new missions were begun, nine new churches were organized and ten assumed self-support. The constituency of the Churches and Missions aided by the Board include a total of 10,340 families; who contributed \$249,768.00 for congregational expenses, \$35,691.00 for Denominational objects, \$13,387.00 for other objects.

The total receipts of the Board of Domestic Missions were \$257,533.44, an increase of \$11,616.25 over the receipts of last year. The Women's Board had a large share in this, contributing \$95,186.70. These figures are but an outward and partial expression of the love for Master's cause which exists in the lives of our people.

In accordance with the plan established several years ago, the Budget for the new year received careful consideration by the Joint Committee of Synod's Board, and the Women's Board, their recommendations being adopted afterwards by the two Boards. These times call for rigid economy, but not such as will sacrifice efficiency. Much economy is now made possible by the spirit of co-operation which now exists between the Home Missions agencies of our country. Overlapping of effort with the consequent waste of funds is now practically a thing of the past. In view of these tendencies, our Boards feel that their work may be well maintained with a budget approximately the same as last year. The estimate for the new fiscal year which they trust will receive Synodical approval is as follows:

Church Sustentation	\$80,000 00
Church Extension	35,000 00
Church Building Fund	45,000 00
Indian Mission	31,600 00
Indian Mission, Deficit in 1917-18 account.....	1,800 00
Women's Board General Fund	32,200 00

Kentucky Mission	33,100 00
Kentucky Mountain, Deficit 1917-18 account.....	1,900 00
Immigrant work	18,000 00
Student Missionary	6,000.00
Negro work	2,500 00
Total	\$287,100 00

Your Committee calls the attention of General Synod, to important suggestions in the Board's report for wider service, including such items as the appointment of more Classical Missionaries; the province of Church Extension Committees; the matter of salaries of missionaries, and missionary pastors, in view of present cost of living; and the feasibility of establishing community churches in suburban districts.

The missionary education committee reports with pleasure the publication of two missionary story books for primary and Junior grades in the Bible School. Every one of our Churches and Bible Schools should make use of the splendid opportunities these books afford for teaching missions to children in the Bible School and in the home. A series of lessons for intermediate grades is expected to be available for use by early Fall. The new consolidated missionary magazine of our Church should be a monthly visitor in every family.

A realization of its responsibility for the upholding and up-building of our nation's righteousness and spirituality in our great national crisis seems to be the key-note of the program of the *Woman's Board* of Domestic Missions of the coming year. The need for general work, such as the support of student and Classical Missionaries, parsonage building and the equipping of mission churches is emphasized together with the necessity for continued intensive work.

In the reports of the Indian Work, we find abundant cause for gratitude and encouragement. Special attention is directed to the following:

Co-operation of our forces with the Y. M. C. A. for the care of the Indians in several military camps; the opening of a new station at Fletcher in connection with the Comanche Work; plans to erect a small chapel for the Apaches; and a larger work at Winnebago. The Woman's Board is looking forward to better conditions for the Indian through the enactment of legislation now pending at Washington.

Clear advance has been made all along the line in the Kentucky Mountain Mission. The Churches and Sunday Schools are well attended. One new house of worship was completed, and the Buss-

ing Memorial Chapel is in process of erection; day schools are crowded, and eager scholars must be turned away for lack of room. In the Industrial Department young men are being taught useful trades and the young women domestic sciences. Your Committee think that this mission is making good and that in the highest sense it is a profitable investment for our Church.

An expression of appreciation of the people of McKee shows how large a place our work has found in the hearts of these people. "We have not at our command words with which to adequately express our gratitude for the great and noble work you have done for us, our children and the entire community by establishing and maintaining the school in McKee, but we desire to thank you now for all you have done for us, feeling in our hearts, that your noble and unselfish work has been the greatest blessing our town has ever received. If we have therefore failed to manifest our gratefulness it has not been because we have not appreciated your help, but due only to our backwardness in making known to you our gratitude and praise. It is our prayer that you continue to work here, and we pledge to your Board our hearty co-operation, patronage and good-will."

The work among the Japanese in New York City has brought untold blessing to these strangers in a strange land. In the true Christian spirit homes have been opened to them, and such influence counts for much in their lives. One Japanese traveler, an artist, was so impressed that he said: "If it is the Christian religion that influences people to open their beautiful homes to strangers and makes them feel so welcome, I think I ought to paint a picture of Christ that He may contribute to Japanese home life this same influence."

Your Committee feels that the report of the Women's Board of Domestic Missions speaks volumes for the consecrated efforts and loyal devotion of the officers and members of this Board, who have so nobly shouldered their heavy responsibilities amid the multiplicity of calls for gifts and service. In spite of the fact that all the women are knitting, all are doing Red Cross Work, all are Hooverizing, all are doing their bit or many bits, the women of the Reformed Church have not lost their interest in things missionary.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

Your Committee would offer the following recommendations:

1. That, we bless God for the service we were permitted to render during the past year.
2. That, Synod acknowledge with gratitude its appreciation of

the untiring efforts of the officers and members of the Board of Domestic Missions and the Women's Board of Domestic Missions.

3. That, we urge the careful study of the reports of the two Boards now at hand for inspiration and incentive to greater service.

4. That, the Synod approve the joint budget for the ensuing year, viz: \$287,100.00.

5. That, since the call to Home Missions is the call to true patriotism, this Synod pledge unswerving loyalty to the land we love and endeavor by prayer, gifts and by work, to bring it to acknowledge Jesus Christ as Lord.

6. That, the Classical agents strive to their utmost to enlist the co-operation of the churches in the work of the Boards.

7. That, Synod emphatically endorse the program of the Board as outlined in the report given your Committee entitled, a "Five year Fore-Look," and "Suggestions for Wider Service."

8. That, the last Sunday in November be designated as Domestic Mission Sunday, and the churches be urged to observe the week preceding as Home Mission Week.

9. That, the following named persons be nominated as members of the Board of Domestic Missions for the full term of three years:

Rev. James M. Farrar,
Rev. P. T. Pockman,
Rev. John Y. Broek,
Rev. John S. Gardner,
Rev. John Lamar,
Rev. John Wesselink.

Mr. Samuel E. Burtis,
Mr. E. C. Hulst,
Mr. James B. Mabon,

10. That, at the public meeting this evening in the interest of Domestic Missions, the President of Synod preside, that prayer be offered by Dr. C. Brett, and the scriptures be read by Rev. G. Mining, and addresses given by Rev. Dr. L. C. Barnes and Rev. Dr. Clifford P. Case.

Synod's program provides that Rev. S. Van der Werf and Mr. W. T. Demarest be heard before action on this report.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. WAYER,
W. J. DUIKER,
WILLARD CONGER,
JOHN H. BRANDOW,
CLARENCE G. MEEKS,
D. A. VAN ZANTE.

Pending the adoption of the Report synod was addressed by Rev. Seth Vander Werf, Field Secretary of the Board, and Mr. W. T. Demarest, Office Secretary of the Board.

The Report was adopted.

ARTICLE X.

PUBLICATION AND BIBLE SCHOOL WORK.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BOARD OF PUBLICATION AND BIBLE SCHOOL WORK.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America:

Your Committee on Publication and Bible School Work respectfully reports as follows:

There have been referred to us for consideration.

1. The 64th annual report of the Board of Publication and Bible School Work of the Reformed Church in America.

2. An overture from the Classis of Iowa.

3. Report of the Committee on English services at the Hague, Netherlands.

In examining the annual report of the Board of Publication and Bible School Work, your Committee notes the facts hereafter set forth and submits some recommendations drawn therefrom.

1. In the business department of the Board, mention is made of the death of Mr. Louis E. Turk after seventeen years of faithful service. Mr. Robert W. Simington has been secured to succeed Mr. Turk and the Board thus introduces him to General Synod. The net sales of the Board have amounted to about \$47,000 for the year. There has been a gain of \$1,300 in the sale of periodicals and of \$1,100 in the sale of books, but a decrease of \$4,700 in the sale of Church and Sunday School supplies. The entire business of the Board shows a decrease of \$2,300. This is in part at least due to decreased expenditures by churches and Sunday Schools at Christmas time.

2. The report of the Board notes the resignation of Rev. Theodore F. Bayles as Educational Secretary and bears tribute to his excellent work in that position. His successor is Rev. Abram Durjee, whose successful work in two pastorates and whose continued activity in the work for young people in the denomination have made him well known throughout the limits. His eight months of acceptable service in this position prove his adaptability to this work. The Synod hereby reaffirms its confidence in the importance of the work of Religious Education.

The Department of the Bible School Work has emphasized interdenominational co-operation, better attendance at the Sunday Schools, more effective teacher training and more efficient teaching to the end that more children may be led to a definite decision for the Master.

Many organizations of the young people under different names have enrolled in them 16,000 members.

The first two books in the graded course of Mission lessons, "Primary Missionary Stories" and "Junior Mission Stories" have been published and one half the first edition has been sold.

3. At the direction of General Synod and in accordance with its instructions the Board assumed control of the Christian Intelligencer on July 1, 1917, and it has been published since that time under the directing editorship of Rev. William P. Bruce, D. D. This publication is still an unsolved problem but the Board is optimistic in its report concerning it. The paper shows a net deficit of \$5,000 for the year but the subscription list has increased.

4. The report of the War Service Committee is embodied in the report of the Board of Publication and Bible School Work and at the request of the Committee on Evangelism was referred elsewhere.

5. The Committee on Missionary education reports that its Chairman Mr. W. T. Demarest that in addition to the two books on Missions prepared for children by Miss Margaret T. Applegarth and mentioned elsewhere, two books for more advanced grades in the same subject are in process of preparation and will soon be ready.

6. The contributions to the Board show an increase during the year of $13\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. over last year. It was stated last year that at least \$20,000 was needed to carry on the work of the Board as a benevolent institution. The actual receipts from the congregations amounted to \$4,458. This was $1\frac{1}{4}$ per cent. of the benevolence of the churches or six cents per family.

In view of the facts set forth in the annual report of this Board your Committee would make the following recommendations.

1. In order to meet the needs of the Board this year, contributions of at least \$20,000 are needed. Churches are urged to generosity toward the Board of Publication and Bible School Work, and Consistories of all churches apportioning the budget of benevolences for the coming year are urged to give this Board five cents of every dollar contributed for benevolences as a fair proportion for use in this work.

2. We recommend that Synod set apart a Sunday for the presentation of the claims of the Board in all our Churches. We rec-

commend that the third Sunday in October be thus set apart and that it be called "Religious Education Day."

3. That the Treasurer of Synod be authorized to borrow six thousand dollars for one year, and that said amount be loaned to the Board of Publication and Bible School Work for one year, and that a committee of five be appointed by the President of Synod to confer with the Board to formulate plans to increase the number of subscriptions to the *Christian Intelligencer*.

4. We recommend the hearty support of our denominational church papers by our entire membership and urge upon the ministers the importance of having at least one of these papers in every home of this congregation as an enlightener on the doctrines, practices and activities of this denomination.

5. We recommend that we co-operate with the denominations making a drive this fall to secure a Teachers' Training Class in every school of the Denomination.

6. We recommend the encouragement of the Young People's Societies to think of these societies as training schools for church activity.

7. We commend the work of the Committee on Evangelism to the generous consideration of the Synod.

8. We note the death of Mr. George C. Morgan of Little Neck, N. Y., for twenty-five years a member of the Board. We recommend that Synod herewith records its appreciation of this long term of faithful service and a sense of the loss to the denomination in the death of this brother.

9. We nominate the following to serve as members of the Board for a term of three years.

Rev. Oscar M. Voorhees,

Rev. Andrew Hageman,

Rev. Willard D. Brown,

Rev. Andrew J. Meyer,

Rev. Paul P. Cheff,

Mr. Robert H. Robinson,

Mr. Robert C. Baird,

Mr. William F. Ryerson,

Mr. H. Jasper Holt,

Mr. H. F. Standerwick.

We nominate to fill the unexpired term of Mr. George C. Morgan, Mr. Henry L. Harrison, of New York City.

10. The Permanent Committee on English Preaching at the Hague, Netherlands, reports that owing to unsettled conditions in Europe it has been impossible to resume those services as yet.

We recommend that this Committee be continued.

An overture from the Classis of Iowa rehearses tardiness on the part of the Board of Publication in delivering supplies as ordered and overtures General Synod "to kindly ask the personnel of the Board of Publication to henceforth conduct their business in a more satisfactory manner." Your Committee have conferred with rep-

representatives of the Board, who admit delay and regret it but marvel that there have not been more complaints. The Board has been handicapped by the tardiness of the publishers to deliver supplies as ordered. The Board has emphatically protested to these publishers and has received promises of betterment in the near future and hopes that by August or at latest early fall a marked improvement will be evident. Your Committee would suggest to the Board the possible advisability of having a business branch or representative in the west.

Respectfully submitted,

WINFRED R. ACKERT,
 CORNELIUS BRETT,
 CHARLES E. CORWIN,
 A. C. WILLOUGHBY,
 JOHN LUXEN,
 FLOYD E. ECKER,
 CLARENCE P. HENDRICKS.

Pending the adoption of the Report, Synod was addressed by Mr. John F. Chambers, Treasurer of the Board, Rev. I. W. Gowen, Cor. Sec'y of the Board, Mr. Frank R. Van Nest, Treas. of General Synod, Rev. W. P. Bruce, Editor of the Christian Intelligencer, Rev. Cornelius Brett, Rev. J. L. Leeper, Rev. E. J. Blekkink and Elder J. R. Kyle.

The Report was adopted.

The Committee called for in R-3, p. 463, is as follows: Revs. A. DeWitt Mason, Isaac W. Gowen, Irving H. Berg, Winifred R. Ackert; Elders George Tiffany, John M. Kyle, Charles W. Osborne.

Report of the Permanent Committee on English Preaching Services at the Hague.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America:

The Permanent Committee on English Preaching Services at the Hague, Netherlands, would respectfully report that because of the continued war conditions in Europe no steps have been taken during the past year toward resuming these services.

It is hoped, however, that when future conditions shall warrant it, these services may be resumed. May God hasten the return of peace and mutual fellowship between the nations.

Respectfully submitted,

A. DEW. MASON,
Chairman Committee.

ARTICLE XI.

WIDOWS' FUND.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON WIDOWS' FUND.

The Committee on the Widows' Fund presents the following report:

To your Committee has been referred that portion of the financial statement from the Board of Direction relating to the Widows' Fund Account and the Widows' Fund Income Account.

The Widows' Fund Account has the following interesting items:

CREDITS.

By cash Madison Ave. Reformed Church N. Y. C.....	\$2,500
First Church Sioux Centre, Ia.....	100
Legacy Elizabeth Diehl	2,000
One Liberty Bond by Rev. Sartell Prentice.....	50

These gifts together with \$37.50 interest on \$1,250 payment by ministers at one time, and transferred from Widows' Fund Income added to the balance of last year bring the total up to \$123,982.14.

The Widows' Fund Income is condensed as follows:

CREDIT.

The Balance from last year	\$11,943 85
From Churches	5,627 26
Personal Gifts	427 37
Payments by Churches for Pastor	2,801 02
Interest on deferred payments	24 93
Payments by Ministers	2,072 93
Interest on Fund	57,90 23
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	\$28,687 59

DEBIT.

Cash Annuities	\$14,958 00
Withdrawals	293 47
Transferred interest on \$1,250.....	37 50
Annuity (not included above)	90 00
Services	275 00

Expenses	239 64
Balance	12,793 98
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	\$28,687 59

In reviewing these figures your Committee find that there has been a slight increase in the amount given by the Churches over what was given last year viz: \$450. There is also an increase (\$173.00) in the amount given by the Churches for the benefit of their Pastors. The amount of annuities paid out \$14,958 is very nearly the same as last year.

The balance this year in the Widows' Fund Income is larger by \$850.13 than last year. And the balance in the Widows' Fund Account is larger by \$3,682.03. Thus if the Board of Direction's report of expense is complete for the current year, it shows a total advance of \$4,532.16.

This report is not altogether discouraging. We catch a glimpse of something just a *little brighter*, but Brethren, in the matter of caring for our veteran ministers, their widows and their orphans, it must be said that we are falling very far below the measure of our best.

It is within our power to do more, very much more to bring comfort and cheer to these noble, faithful servants of God, who having given their life to the upbuilding of this Kingdom, appeal to us in the day of feebleness and want.

Your Committee is convinced that the time has come for a thorough mobilization of our denominational forces in behalf of this most worthy cause. It is highly gratifying that initiatory steps have already been taken in a movement which aims to secure a "*Million Dollar Fund*."

Resolved, That the Ministers and Elders be urged to do all in their power to stir up church members to an earnest and active interest in this matter—that all may come to feel that it is not only an obligation, but a privilege to give generously in this Christ-like work.

2. Resolved, *That to a man*, we shall stand back of the proposed movement aiming to secure a sound and adequate financial basis for these funds, and that we shall give to the men who may be chosen leaders in this great work our loyal and enthusiastic support.

3. Resolved, that the General Synod makes grateful acknowledgment of the faithful and efficient services rendered by the Rev. Denis Wortman, D. D., as agent of these funds during the past year. Further, that we express our heartfelt regret that the state of the brother's health is such as to prevent his presence at the

meetings of the General Synod and also that we assure him of a large place in our prayer at the throne of grace.

(Signed) D. L. BETTEN,
WILLIAM VAN VLIET,
WALTER S. BLOOM,
MOSES S. DAVIS,
JOHN G. ADDY,
B. T. VAN ALEN,
JNO. SCHIPPER.

The Report was adopted.

ARTICLE XII.

DISABLED MINISTERS' FUND.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DISABLED MINISTERS' FUND.

The papers put in our hands consist of last years' Minutes of Synod; and Report of Treasurer for the last fiscal year.

From Treasurer's report we note the increase of the Endowment Fund to \$211,900.25, \$4,550 having been added by special gifts and a legacy of \$2,000 during the year. Eighty-four Beneficiaries have received help from this fund, sixty-two of whom are widows and twenty-two are ministers.

All have received the amounts for which they were recommended; the maximum being \$200.

The income of the fund, including balance from previous year, amounts to \$30,916.56; expended for expenses and annuities, \$17,300.10; leaving balance \$13,616.46, which is \$2,666.53 greater than the balance of last year.

We commend this fund to all our churches and *urge* that until the larger plans now under consideration have been matured and developed every possible effort be made to increase this fund.

Resolved, That every Church in our denomination be directed anew to make generous payment into the Treasury for this specific purpose.

Resolved, further, that it is unworthy of any Church to call a minister at a salary of less than \$1,200, and any Church now paying less than \$1,200 should take immediate steps to reach at least that amount.

We gratefully acknowledge the success of Dr. Denis Wortman

throughout the years of his service as agent of the Widows' and Disabled Ministers' Funds and assure him of our sympathy in his present illness and our sorrow that he is unable to attend this Synod of 1918.

J. E. LYALL, *Chairman*.
C. D. F. STEINFUHRER,
JOHN Y. BROEK,
CHARLES W. OSBORNE,
A. J. BAZUIN.

The Report was adopted.

At the Wednesday morning session a resolution was offered that orphaned children of deceased ministers be recommended to the Disabled Ministers' Fund for support.

A substitute was offered as follows:

Resolved, That the matter of preparing provision for the orphans of ministers as well as their widows be referred to the new Committee on the Million Dollar Fund.

This resolution was adopted.

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO APPOINT A COMMISSION ON THE MILLION DOLLAR FUND.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America:

The Committee appointed at the last session of General Synod to secure the Commission to prosecute the gathering of a Fund of One Million Dollars for Ministerial Relief would respectfully report that, after considerable correspondence and one meeting held on June 3rd, and attended by Mr. Osborne, Mr. Frelinghuysen and the Chairman, it can report, not the completion of its task, but only its beginning. It has secured a list of names for consideration very much briefer than we should judge should be assembled from the undoubted wealth of material our church contains, before the final selection of the Commission is made. Each member regrets that the task of the Committee is unfinished, but we call the attention of the General Synod to the fact that the formation of the Commission of another church whose great success in a similar movement stimulated our own, was the work of a much longer time than has been at our disposal.

We have found that while a widely representative character in the constituency of the *Commission* will undoubtedly be desirable, that same widely representative constituency in this preliminary Committee has been a decided obstacle to success, preventing the frequent meetings necessary to approximately rapid efficiency in securing results. It furthermore seems highly desirable that the Chair-

man of the Committee having in charge such a task as ours should be some one not tied down to a teacher's desk during five days of the week, and that he should be furnished with funds for such travel as would enable him to interest desirable men in the work of the Commission. We furthermore recommend the following resolutions:

1st. That the present Committee be discharged with full authorization to pass over all papers in its possession to its successor.

2nd. That a Committee of not less than three nor more than five members reasonably familiar with the business men in our church likely to possess the proper capacity for the work of the proposed Commission and knowing how to obtain adequate knowledge of such men, and within convenient access to each other shall be appointed to secure a properly efficient and representative Commission to secure the fund desired.

On behalf of the Committee.

J. P. SEARLE,
Chairman.

The first Resolution was adopted, and the second Resolution was referred to the joint Committee on Widows and Disabled Ministers' Funds.

REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE OF THE WIDOWS' FUND AND THE DISABLED MINISTERS' FUND.

To this Committee has been referred the second resolution of the committee appointed last year, to create a commission, whose duty was to be the carrying out of one of the greatest enterprises to which our church has been moved by the spirit of God. Technically our task as a Committee is small, but believing that the whole subject of the MILLION DOLLAR PENSION FUND is practically dependent upon this Committee for its continuance, in the consideration of the Synod and the church at large. We believe that larger duties are imposed upon us.

Without repeating, even in substance, the argument of the joint committee of the last Synod (see 1917 Min., pp. 138-141) as to the *Timeliness*, the *Need* and the *feasibility* of the overture from the Classis of Poughkeepsie, endorsed by 32 other classes, calling for a Million Dollar Pension Fund, we submit that it is not so much an occasion for rhetoric as it is for action. Therefore.

Resolved, That this Synod appoint a Committee of three, who shall constitute a nucleus of the proposed commission, with power to add to their number and fill vacancies.

Resolved, That upon the men so appointed, shall be laid the obligation to begin at once, to secure and tabulate all the pertinent facts needed for intelligent and efficient action, and then to launch an educational campaign, and proceed, at the earliest possible date to provide an adequate pension system, for the ministers of the Reformed Church in America, and their widows and infant children.

Resolved, That Synod *now* arrange to secure an adequate sum of money, (not less than \$10,000) to be used only so far as necessary, to meet the expenses of the commission.

Resolved, That Rev. C. P. Case and Mr. John W. Mettler be nominated as two members of this Committee.

J. E. LYALL, *Chairman,*
For the Committee.

This Report was amended by adding as the third name on this committee that of J. E. Lyall.

The Report was adopted.

Before adjournment of Synod Rev. C. P. Case made a statement in regard to the Committee for the Million Dollar Fund, asking for an expression of opinion from the Synod as to what was actually expected of the Committee. There was some discussion and finally a Resolution was adopted, that \$500 be furnished this Committee by the Board of Direction from funds in their hands, for its expense account, and that this amount be raised by assessment on the classes.

ARTICLE XIII.

OVERTURES.

The following war-service Reports were received and referred to the Committee on Overtures:

REPORT OF THE WAR SERVICE COMMISSION.

The story of the inception of war service work, and the steps that led up to the organization of this Commission are given in the report of the Committee on Evangelism. That Committee took the initial steps in war service in July, 1917, and, with the sanction of the President of Synod and the approval of the Board of Publica-

tion and Bible School Work, fostered the work until on October 22nd the first meeting of the Committee of Fifty was held. Rev. Oscar M. Voorhees was chosen chairman and Rev. Abram Duryee, secretary. A report of the work done up to that time was presented and approved, and the Committee gladly accepted responsibility for it, took it over, and discussed the policy that should govern it in carrying it forward. It was voted to assume the name of the War Service Commission of the Reformed Church in America. While the field of responsibility was in the East, helpful co-operation with the churches in the West was offered.

It was resolved to take up work at Dumont, N. J., in connection with that one of our Reformed Churches nearest to the large Embarkation Camp Merrit and to invite Messrs. Robert W. Searle and George Steininger of the middle class in the New Brunswick Seminary to go to Dumont at once and do what the situation seemed to require. The need was acute because the pastor of the Dumont Church, Rev. Charles W. Gulick, was serving as a chaplain in the United States Army and was with his regiment in Alabama. The men were to work by invitation of the Consistory both in the church and in the Parish House for the soldiers. Mr. Searle continued in the work from November 1st for six weeks, and then enlisted in the Ambulance Corps. Mr. Steininger continued until February 1st and then felt constrained to resign that he might resume his work in the Theological Seminary.

The churches by means of a circular letter were invited to take up the local work vigorously by organizing Leagues for Patriotic Service, and were requested to report the names of members who should enter the service. They were also offered a supply of Church Relations Cards that one might be sent to each of their men in the service.

Rapidly changing conditions and the inability of the Committee on Evangelism to carry on the work satisfactorily made a second meeting of the Commission necessary, and this was held on February 14th, 1918. An independent Executive Committee was chosen and encouraged to make large plans in co-operation so far as possible with the western churches. The Committee consists of Revs. W. I. Chamberlain, Thomas H. Mackenzie, John A. Ingham, and Abram Duryee; and Messrs. William T. Demarest, R. H. Robinson, and Harry A. Kinports, with Rev. Oscar M. Voorhees *ex-officio*. Dr. W. I. Chamberlain was later made chairman and Rev. W. N. P. Dailey, loaned to us by the Collegiate Church for part time service, became Executive Secretary, office space being offered in the rooms of the Board of Foreign Missions. This Committee was convinced that more vigorous work was essential in view of the needs that had developed at Dumont and at other nearby camps. Rev. C. P.

Case of Poughkeepsie was invited to go to Camp Merrit as Camp Pastor and take up the work with all possible vigor. Committees were appointed to inquire what work might need to be done at Camp Upton on Long Island, at Camp Dix near Trenton, and at the Raritan Ordnance Depot near New Brunswick.

At Camp Upton it was resolved to co-operate by sharing the cost of the Inter-church building that had already been erected.

A budget of \$10,000 was deemed necessary for present expenditures and it was resolved to appeal to the churches to contribute that amount during May. A folder telling of the work was printed and sent to all pastors, and to the Classes, inviting their approval and co-operation. The response of the Classes has been quite general although the amount thus far received is small. The items of the budget are as follows:

For Camp Upton Inter-Church Chapel Bldg.	\$3,000
For Camp Pastors and maintenance at Camp Merrit.....	2,000
For Camp Pastor at Camp Dix	1,200
For Camp Pastor at Camp Upton.....	1,200
For Camp Pastor at Raritan, N. J., Ordnance Dept.	1,200
For Administration Expenses	500
Incidentals and other Unforeseen Expenses	900
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	\$10,000

All the work of the Commission has been done in active co-operation with other agencies such as the Y. M. C. A., the Red Cross, and the General War-Time Commission of the Churches. The latter organization has been given general oversight in the matter of recommending ministers to the government for chaplaincies, and we have sent a recommendation for each applicant, thus endeavoring to secure the appointment of a proper proportion of Reformed Church chaplains. The number of applications has thus far been below the quota assigned to our Church.

The Commission appointed Rev. Clifford P. Case, D. D., of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., and Permanent Clerk of General Synod to the Camp Pastorate at Camp Merrit, near our Dumont, N. J., Church, and he began work there on April 8th last, and will continue it for several months. This is the largest embarkation camp in the country and Mr. Case has had wonderful opportunities to give the last home touch to the thousands of men.

Rev. Edgar Tilton, Jr., D. D., of New York, was made Camp Pastor at the U. S. Base Hospital No. 1 at Fordham Heights, N. Y., and Rev. Orville E. Fisher, of Brooklyn, was assigned to the U. S. Naval Reserve Base 609, Bensonhurst, and at the U. S. Naval Arm-

ory at 52nd Street, Brooklyn, N. Y. Rev. Sartell Prentice, Nyack, N. Y., was recommended to the Red Cross and will act as one of its chaplains in France. The two chaplains in our army, Capt. Jas. Ossewaarde, Alcatraz, Cal., and 1st Lieut. Melvin V. Oggel, of Presidio, Cal., and Acting Chaplain John H. S. Putnam of the U. S. Navy have been instructed to call upon the Commission for any aid it can give.

From the General War-Time Commission has come a proposition to make it possible for men in the field who are led to confess Christ to become full members of their home churches by having their confession of faith certified to Pastors and Consistories by Chaplains or other ordained workers, with a statement as to the baptism of the candidates and his participation in the Lord's Supper. We suggest that Synod approve this method of consummating church membership during the continuance of the war that the men who are led to Christ may have the benefit of the interest and prayers of the home church.

We ask, furthermore, that General Synod recognize and consider the work that has been undertaken by the War Time Commission and give it both the official standing as well providing for its continuance and maintenance during the period of the war.

A list of the men and women of our Reformed Church in America, so far as is known, who are doing definite war service is appended to this report.

N. Y., May 30, 1918.

WM. I. CHAMBERLAIN,

Ch'n Executive Committee.

W. N. P. DAILEY,

Executive Sec'y.

ARMY AND NAVY CHAPLAINS.

1. Putnam, Rev. John S., Philadelphia, Pa., on the "Seattle," Navy Dept., Washington, D. C.
2. Ossewaarde, Rev. James, Classis Michigan, 21st Infantry, Alcatraz, Cal.
3. Oggel, Rev. M. V., New Paltz, N. Y., 63d Inf., Presidio, Cal.
4. Van Zanten, Rev. John W., Metuchen, N. J. Application pending.
5. Irish, Rev. Edward B., New York. In Chaplain's School, Camp Taylor, Louisville, Ky.
6. Brinkerhoff, Rev. J. H., New Brighton, S. I., Acting Chaplain, Navy.
7. Adams, Rev. Thomas, Harrington Park, N. J. Application pending.
8. Bloom, Rev. Walter S., Garfield, N. J. Application pending.

GENERAL SYNOD.

RED CROSS CHAPLAIN.

1. Prentice, Rev. Sartell, Nyack, N. Y. About to go to France.

CAMP PASTORS.

1. Case, Rev. Dr. Clifford P., Poughkeepsie, N. Y. Camp Merritt, Dumont, N. J.
2. Tilton, Rev. Edgar, Jr., New York. General Hospital, No. 1, Fordham Heights, N. Y.
3. Van der Laan, Mr. W. P., Battle Creek, Mich. Camp Custer.
4. Fisher, Rev. Orville E., Brooklyn, N. Y., U. S. Naval Reserve Base, Bensonhurst, Brooklyn.

Y. M. C. A.

1. Bagoë, Miss Helen, New York. Base Hospital, France.
2. Bird, Rev. Addison C., Poughkeepsie, N. Y. Kelly Field, San Antonio, Texas.
3. Brouwer, Rev. Jacob G., Granville, Mich. Camp McArthur, Waco, Texas.
4. Brown, Rev. J. Alexander, Grand Rapids, Mich. Camp Doniphan, Ft. Sill, Okla.
5. Cobb, Rev. Dr. H. E., New York. Camp Lee, Petersburg, Va.
6. Conger, Rev. Alexander M., New Hackensack, N. Y.
7. Dangremond, Rev. A. C. V., Beacon, N. Y.
8. Duddy, Rev. Frank E., Poughkeepsie, N. Y. France.
9. Gulick, Rev. Chas. W., Dumont, N. J. Camp Mills, Garden City, L. I.
10. Hulst, Rev. George D., Montclair, N. J., Camp Upton, Yaphank, L. I.
11. Jones, Dr. J. Addison, Albany, N. Y. In France.
12. Jonker, Rev. Philip, Hudson, N. Y., Camp Dix, Wrightstown, N. J.
13. Kinports, Mr. Harry A., New York. Camp Lee, Petersburg, Va.
14. Mabon, Rev. Arthur F., New York. France.
15. Murphy, Rev. Harry W., New York. Camp Mills, Garden City, L. I.
16. Pauells, Mr. A. J., Grand Rapids, Mich. Camp McArthur, Waco, Texas.
17. Poppen, Rev. Henry, Holland, Mich. Camp McArthur, Waco, Texas.
18. Ralston, Rev. Edward S., Plainfield, N. J. Fort Sill, Okla.

19. Sizoo, Rev. Joseph, Somerville, N. J. France.
20. Voorhees, Ralph, New York. Camp Merrit, Tenaflly, N. J.
21. Vruwink, Rev. Henry A. Camp Custer, Battle Creek, Mich.
22. Payne, Geo. Hardy, Paterson, N. J.
23. Muste, Rev. C. B., Amsterdam, N. Y.
24. Park, Rev. Chas., D. D., Rutherford, N. J. France
25. Allen, Rev. Henry B., Ridgefield, N. J.
26. Shields, Rev. F. K., New Brunswick, N. J. Raritan Ordnance Dept.
27. Caton, Rev. J. Collings, Paterson, N. J. France.

REPORT OF COMMISSION FOR MICHIGAN AND WISCONSIN MADE MARCH 20, 1918.

The three classes of Grand River, Holland and Michigan, at their Fall Sessions of 1917, appointed Committees to investigate what could be done to give religious and spiritual aid for our soldier boys, particularly in Camp Custer, Battle Creek, and Camp McArthur, Waco, Texas, where the soldiers of the National Army of Michigan and Wisconsin are being trained.

These Committees met together and after due deliberation and investigation, unanimously decided to begin such work as soon as the necessary funds could be obtained and the proper men could be secured. The General Committee then appointed an Executive Committee, consisting of A. LaHuis, Cornelius Dosker, J. H. Trompen, G. Van Strien, Dr. P. J. Kriekard, Rev. S. C. Nettinga and Rev. John Van Westenburger, to whom was entrusted the general oversight of the work.

This Committee promptly organized; made an appeal to our churches for financial support on the basis of one dollar per family, per year, and engaged Mr. W. P. VanderLaan, who had previously been chosen by the General Committee, to begin work in Camp Custer. This brother began his work there in November and reports of this work have, from time to time, appeared in "The Leader." He has tried to be of service to our boys in every way possible, visiting the sick in the base hospitals; reporting their condition to the parents at home; sought interviews with the boys on personal religion, whenever possible; entertained them in his home; taught Bible Classes in connection with the Y. M. C. A.; gave addresses whenever possible, and tried in every way to make himself useful. The Committee feels he has faithfully performed the duties of his difficult position and deserves the support of our churches.

At the request of the Executive Committee, he also united with Rev. L. Trap of the Christian Reformed Church in conducting services on Sunday in the G. A. R. Hall at Battle Creek. This plan

was tried out for the two months of January and February, but was then discontinued.

For Camp McArthur we secured the services of Rev. J. G. Brouwer for a period of three months, beginning in February. Reports of his work have appeared, from time to time, in *DeHope* and *The Leader*, being of a similar nature to that in Camp Custer.

One great difficulty the Executive Committee has met with is that our boys have not been exclusively in the two Camps above named. They are scattered throughout the various camps in the United States, according to the branch of service they have entered. It is impossible, therefore, to reach all our boys in those two camps, and it is hardly possible for us to send men to every camp in the country. Our problem is, shall we continue our own denominational work or combine our efforts and unite with the Y. M. C. A. which has its workers in every camp in this country as well as in France? The General Committee has decided to continue our own work for the present.

The receipts of the Commission to June 1, 1918, is \$3,340.49.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Committee.

(Rev.) S. C. NETTINGA,

President.

(Rev.) JOHN VAN WESTERNBURG,

Secretary of the Executive Committee.

Grand Rapids, Michigan, March 20, 1918.

THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON OVERTURES.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America:

Fathers and Brethren:—Your Committee on Overtures respectfully submits the following report:

1. A communication from the Particular Synod of New Brunswick overturning General Synod to appoint a permanent committee on the revision of the constitution.

2. A communication from the Particular Synod of Albany overturning General Synod to eliminate from the consistorial report blanks the column for the "number who have communed during the year."

3. A communication from the Particular Synod of Albany overturning General Synod to withhold aid from organizations or individuals who will not pledge unswerving loyalty to the United States government. (Referred to Special Committee for Loyalty Resolutions.)

4. A communication from the Particular Synod of Albany overturning General Synod to take steps to amend Art. 4, Sec. 42, of the constitution.

5. A communication from the Council of Reformed Churches in America holding the Presbyterian system, submitting a plan of federal union.

6. A communication from the Stated Clerk of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, inviting General Synod to appoint delegates to meet with delegates of other evangelical churches, looking to the formation of an organic union of all evangelical churches.

7. A communication from the Classis of New Brunswick overture General Synod to appoint a committee of clergymen and laymen to confer with a committee of the House of Bishops and representatives of the Presbyterian Church, looking towards promoting affiliated relationship.

8. Reports of the War Service Commissions.

I. The communication from the Particular Synod of New Brunswick reads as follows:

"The Particular Synod of New Brunswick respectfully overtures the General Synod to appoint a Permanent Committee on Constitutional Amendments, to examine all suggested changes in the constitution of the Reformed Church in America, especially to preserve the language and intent of the document, and refer their findings to the General Synod."

The General Synod of 1916 continued the Committee on the Revision of the Constitution, instructing it to consider certain preferred wordings and expressions recommended by some of the classes as competent propositions to amend, to serve succeeding General Synods with advice as to submitting said propositions to the Classes, and to edit such proposed amendments.

Your Committee on Overtures understands the overture of the Particular Synod of New Brunswick to mean that there should be a permanent committee on revision of the constitution, to which committee shall be referred all proposed amendments in order that said committee may edit these to keep them from conflicting with or nullifying other sections of the constitution.

Your Committee on Overtures recommends that General Synod's Committee on Revision of the Constitution be brought up to its full quota and continued as a Permanent Committee on the Revision of the Constitution, to whom all proposed amendments are to be referred to serve General Synod with advice.

II. In regard to the overture of the Particular Synod of Albany to eliminate from overture Consistorial Reports the column headed "Number who communed during the year," your committee recommends that the petition be granted and that said column be eliminated from future consistorial reports.

III. The third communication from the Particular Synod of

Albany informs us that after a number of "Whereases" it was "Resolved, that the Particular Synod of Albany, N. Y., hereby overture General Synod of the R. C. A., to amend the constitution of the church in Art. IV, Sec. 42, by omitting the word 'Male,' so that it shall read as follows: 'The elders and deacons shall be chosen from the members of the church in full communion, who have attained the age of 21 years.'" The Classis of Montgomery submitted an overture to the same effect.

Your committee recommends that the overture be not entertained, believing that the submission of the proposed amendment to the Classes will work injury through friction and division out of all proportion to any possible good that might accrue to any portion of our church.

IV. The Council of the Reformed Churches in America holding the Presbyterian System submits a plan of Federal Union.

Your committee recommends that this communication be referred to General Synod's representatives on the Council of the Reformed Churches in America holding the Presbyterian System, with power to act.

V. The communication from the Stated Clerk of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States reads in part as follows:

"In the name of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America is invited to appoint four delegates to meet with other delegates representing the evangelical churches in the United States of America, for the purpose of considering the subject of an organic union of all evangelical churches."

Your committee believes it speaks the mind of General Synod when it expresses the conviction that there cannot be too earnest co-operation between the evangelical churches, while aiming at the evangelization of our country and the world. Your committee believes that General Synod should and will endorse any movement that looks toward the promotion of such earnest co-operation.

But your committee does not believe that either the General Synod or the church at large is ready to take steps looking to "an organic union of all evangelical churches," and therefore recommends that the proposition be not entertained. Moreover, the aim of the request is met in the preceding resolution in reference to Federal Union.

VI. The documents submitted to your committee by the Classis of New Brunswick were.

1. A pamphlet entitled, "The Movement for Church Unity in New Brunswick."

2. A portion of the above pamphlet, said extract being entitled, "Resolutions Offered by the Local Churches."

3. Another extract entitled, "A Minute and a Resolution."

4. A report of the Committee on Church Union in New Brunswick, appointed by the Classis of New Brunswick.

Your committee feels certain that this General Synod wishes to congratulate the followers of Christ in New Brunswick, that they were able during recent months to dwell together in peace and amity, and we offer the following:

"Resolved, That the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America has learned with pleasure about the wonderful display of charity, forbearance, and co-operation by the churches of New Brunswick, and expresses the hope that this happy condition may continue."

When, however, we scan the "Tentative Plan for Church Unity," we observe at once that it is in letter and spirit in conflict with Sec. 20 of our constitution.

Your committee is not ready to endorse this plan, and we recommend that General Synod do not grant the request of the Classis of New Brunswick to appoint a commission of clergymen and laymen to confer with the commission of the House of Bishops and a possible commission of the Presbytery of New Brunswick.

VII. From the reports of the Reformed Church War Service Commissions, East and West, we learn of the excellent work being done for "our splendid men" in the various camps, by a corps of consecrated men and women. And we also learn of the no less important work of the Commissions in the way of direction and support.

Your committee recommends the following resolutions:

1. Resolved, That this General Synod most heartily appreciates, commends, and endorses the work of the "War Service Commission," and of "The Reformed Church War Service Commission for Michigan and Wisconsin," commending these commissions to the most loyal and liberal support of the churches.

2. Resolved, That Synod endorses the plan of the Commissions to enable men in the field to unite with their home churches by means of letters from chaplains and other ordained workers, certifying to confession of faith and baptism—when administered, and advises consistories to enroll such as "received by letter."

All of which is respectfully submitted,

HENRY SCHIPPER,
B. V. D. WYCKOFF,
WM. E. REED,
JOHN M. KYLE,
R. A. VANDENBURG,
CHAS. F. C. SUCKOW.

The Report was adopted, and the thanks of Synod was extended to Dr. Brown for his admirable address.

Later in the session, on motion, Synod ordered the column headed "number who communed during year" deleted from the Statistical Tables in the Minutes of 1918.

ARTICLE XIV.

SYNODICAL MINUTES AND REFERENCES.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SYNODICAL MINUTES AND REFERENCES.

The minutes of the General Synod of 1917 and the Particular Synods of Albany, New Brunswick and New York of 1918, have been placed in the hands of your committee. The minutes of the Particular Synod of Chicago have not been received.

They have been carefully reviewed and a few minor errors noted and corrected. The highly efficient work of the clerks is to be commended.

Your committee would recommend the printing of 1,500 copies of the Minutes of General Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

Signed, C. F. BENJAMIN, JR.,
DAVID WEIDNER,
ALEX. FLANSBURG,
O. J. HOGAN,
J. B. STEKETEE,
J. O. VAN FLEET,
J. H. WALKER,

The report was adopted.

ARTICLE XV.

JUDICIAL BUSINESS.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIAL BUSINESS.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America:

Dear Fathers and Brethren:—No appeals nor anything in the nature of judicial business have come before your Committee.

The only duty put upon us is the nomination of one member of the permanent Committee on Judicial Business.

The term of the Rev. W. H. S. Demarest expiring at this Synod, your Committee recommends that Rev. W. H. S. Demarest be named to succeed himself.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. E. TEGROOTENHUIS,
JOHN BLACK,
P. J. HOEKZEMA,
JOHN W. VOSKUIL,
Committee.

The Report was adopted.

ARTICLE XVI.

CORRESPONDENCE.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE AND PROGRAM.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America:

In addition to the preliminary report, embodying the program which has been followed in the Sessions of the Synod, the Committee on Correspondence and Program submits this final report.

As usual a mass of reports and correspondence has been put into the hands of the Committee for examination. Some of this matter does not seem to be germane to the business of the Synod and therefore seems to call for no action on our part.

Only two of the corresponding delegates appointed to other church bodies have reported to the Synod. A communication has been received from William Sinclair, B. D., stating he had attended the General Assembly of the Canadian Presbyterian Church at Montreal, and enclosing a letter from the Stated Clerk of that Assembly acknowledging his welcome visit and message. Rev. James F. Zwemer, D. D., reported that the submarines have prevented his attendance of the meeting of the Reformed Churches of the Netherlands.

Credentials were received for Rev. J. P. Searle, D. D., as the representative of the Council of Reformed Churches and also the Alliance of Reformed Churches. Rev. P. A. Hoekstra presented his credential to bear fraternal greetings from the Christian Reformed

Church. Rev. James Wayer was the accredited representative of the Chicago Tract Society.

Other visiting representatives were, Rev. Hervey Wood, Secretary of the Native races Anti-Liquor Traffic Committee; Rev. L. B. Chamberlain, Recording Secretary of the American Bible Society; Rev. James K. Shields, Superintendent of the New Jersey Anti-Saloon League; Rev. Paul Leinbach, Editor of the Reformed Church Messenger of the Reformed Church in the United States; Rev. H. L. Bowlby, Secretary of the Lord's Day Alliance; Dr. Ira F. Wile, representing the Government of the United States in the work of "Social Hygiene in the War"; Rev. Prof. Charles Bieler, D. D., Montreal Presbyterian College, delegate of the French Protestant Committee; and Rev. Prof. William Adams Brown, D. D., representing the General War Service Commission of the Federal Council. All of these brethren brought inspiring messages to the Synod and were most cordially received, their addresses being referred to the appropriate committees.

A communication was received from Ernest H. Cherrington, General Manager of the Anti-Saloon League of America, stating that the letterhead of the National Dry Federation mentions the Reformed Church in America as one of its "Constituent Bodies." Inquiry is made "if the Reformed Church in America has officially taken action making itself a constituent body of the National Dry Federation, and if so, when that action was taken." The Committee has been unable to discover that the General Synod has ever authorized the use of the name of the Reformed Church in America in connection with such an organization.

There has been placed in the hands of the Committee an invitation to the One Hundredth Anniversary of the Founding of Auburn Theological Seminary, which will be observed by special exercises October 7 to 10, 1918, with a request that the General Synod send a delegate. The Committee recommends that the invitation be accepted, and that the Rev. William J. Leggett, Ph. D., Vice-President of the Synod, be appointed to convey the greetings and congratulations of this body.

The first annual report of the Native Races Anti-Liquor Traffic Committee was received and shows the appalling conditions of the rum traffic which so seriously affects missionary work. The Committee is to be commended for its work and the progress made in protecting the natives from the demoralizing effects of intemperance.

From the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce, there was received a copy of The Preliminary Statistics of Church organizations and membership in 1916. We recommend that the General Synod express its appreciation of this Decennial Census now

being completed and our hope that important data of this kind may be frequently gathered and widely distributed.

A message was received from the Reformed and Presbyterian Churches of France, telling of their great losses and expressing their thanks for the spiritual and material relief given by our Churches for the suffering of France and Belgium.

Other communications were received from the Conference Committee on National Preparedness; from the Publishers' Advisory Board, protesting against the increase of postal rates and asking for the adoption of resolutions demanding the repeal of the present postal law; from the Federal Council, explaining that the large amount of printed literature distributed is due to the variety of the work undertaken for the churches; from the Executive Committee of the Federal Council; urging the organization of additional federations, both State and local; a declaration of the Committee on Observation and Recommendations to the Congress on the Purpose and Methods of Inter-Church Federations; from the Federal Council of the Dutch Reformed Churches of South Africa a resolution relative to the war and the need of the Church's influence for Peace; also a request for the endorsement of the Boy Scouts of America, an organization which is already doing excellent work in many of our Churches in the conservation and citizenship training of many of our boys. None of these however seem to call for special action on our part.

The Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America have forwarded the Annual Report for 1917 together with a volume entitled "The Progress of Church Federation," being a resumé of the activities of the Council from its initiation up to October, 1917.

The western or American section of the world Presbyterian Alliance has presented its Annual Report.

In the Annual Report of the Council of the Reformed Churches in America, holding the Presbyterian system, there is proposed a "Plan of Federal Union," which was adopted at the recent meeting of the Council in Philadelphia, March 19 and 20, 1918, and which will require the careful consideration of the Synod. The Plan of Federal Union and the proposed Articles of Agreement are as follows:

To the Supreme Judicatories of the constituent Churches:

The Council of the Reformed Churches in America holding the Presbyterian System herewith submits to your venerable Body for consideration, and such action as to you may seem proper, a Plan of Federal Union which was adopted at the recent meeting of the Council in Philadelphia, Pa., March 19-20, 1918.

It is respectfully requested that you report your answer on this

Overture as to the above-named Plan at an early date to Rev. Wm. H. Roberts, D. D., Stated Clerk of Council.

The Plan reads as follows :

PLAN OF FEDERAL UNION.

The *Presbyterian and Reformed Churches in America*, desiring to evince and develop their spiritual unity, and to promote closer relations and more effective administrative co-operation among these Churches, hereby adopt a *Preamble, a Basis of Federal Union*, and also the following *amended* *Articles of Agreement in furtherance of these purposes :

PREAMBLE (NEW).

The Presbyterian and Reformed Churches in the United States of America represent the same type of evangelical Protestant Christianity, commonly known as Reformed or Calvinistic. The Churches of the Reformation in Europe, to which they are historically related, originated in different lands and passed through different experiences, which differences by reason of nationality and language appear in the forms of the original Standards of the several Churches. We, therefore, with clear understanding of the nature of such differences, hereby declare our conviction that the Westminster Confession of Faith and Catechisms, the Belgic Confession, the Heidelberg Catechism and the Canons of the Synod of Dort are in essential agreement, and are different expressions of one and the same system of doctrine. This doctrinal agreement appears in the recognition, in all the symbols, of the fundamental doctrines of evangelical Christianity as held by the Reformed or Calvinistic Churches, and also in the use made of the Apostles' Creed, the Ten Commandments, the Lord's Prayer, and the Catechisms of the several Churches, for the instruction of the youth of their congregations.

BASIS OF UNION (NEW).

1. The Doctrinal Basis of the General Council shall be the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments acknowledged as the inspired Word of God and the only infallible rule of faith and practice, with the common system of doctrine as set forth in the existing Standards of the constituent Churches.

2. The principles of the Forms of Government and the Constitutions including the terms of doctrinal subscription of the several

*The amendments are in italics, except Article 11.

Churches uniting, are recognized as a part of the Basis of Union.

3. The Directories for Worship of the several Churches shall be a part of the basis of union to the extent that congregations shall have the same freedom of worship, both as to forms and usages, under the General Council, as they had before the federation.

*ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT.

1. For the prosecution of work *under this Federal Union* an Ecclesiastical Council is hereby established, which shall be known by the name and style of "The *General Council of the Presbyterian and Reformed Churches in America.*"

2. The *General Council* shall consist of at least *eight* representatives, ministers or ruling elders, from each of the constituent Churches, for each one hundred thousand communicants or fraction thereof up to three hundred thousand; and where a Church has more than three hundred thousand communicants, then *eight* representatives, ministers or elders, for each additional two hundred thousand communicants or fraction thereof. These persons shall be chosen with their alternates under the direction of their respective supreme judicatories, in such manner as those judicatories shall respectively determine.

3. Every Church entering into this Agreement retains its distinct individuality, its own creed, government and worship, as well as every power, jurisdiction and right, which is not by these Articles expressly and exclusively delegated to the body hereby constituted.

4. The *General Council* shall exercise only such powers as are conferred upon it by these Articles, or such as may hereafter be conferred upon it by the constituent Churches. All acts of the Council affecting the interests of any of the constituent Churches shall have only advisory authority, except in matters covered by Articles 5, 6, 7 and 8.

5. The *General Council* shall *have power to promote the co-operation of the constituent Churches in their Foreign Missionary work, and also in their general work in the United States of America, so far as denominationally organized, in connection with Home Missions, Evangelism, Work among the Colored People, Church Erection, Sabbath-schools, Publications, Education, Ministerial Relief and Comity, and shall exercise this power in the establishing and appointing of administrative agencies to maintain and conduct the work representative of any one or more of the causes mentioned, as consented to by the several supreme judica-*

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tories concerned. The Council may advise and recommend in other matters pertaining to the general welfare of the kingdom of Christ.

6. The *General Council* shall have power to deal with questions which may arise between the constituent Churches, in regard to matters within the jurisdiction of the Council, which the constituted agencies of the Churches concerned have been unable to settle, and which may be brought to the attention of the Council by the supreme judicatories of the parties thereto; and such differences shall thereupon be determined by the Council or by such agencies as it may appoint. If determined by an agency, such as a Committee or Commission, there shall be the right of appeal to the Council for final decision. The representatives in the Council, of Churches which are parties to questions at issue, shall be excluded from voting upon such questions. Every final decision shall be transmitted by the Council to the supreme judicatories of the Churches concerned, which shall take such steps as are necessary to carry the decision into effect.

7. The *General Council* shall have power to deal with any other matters of interest common to any two or more of the constituent Churches, which may be referred to it by the supreme judicatories of the Churches concerned for its action, with such authority in the premises and under such conditions as may be agreed upon by the Churches which make the reference. It may also initiate movements having co-operation and union in view, subject to the approval of the Churches concerned, and may, if necessary, conduct a survey of particular fields or causes.

8. The *General Council* shall have power to open and maintain a friendly correspondence with Presbyterian and other Evangelical Churches for the purpose of promoting concert of action in matters of common interest; but nothing in this Article shall be construed as affecting the present rights of correspondence of the constituent Churches.

9. The *General Council* shall give full faith and credit to the acts, proceedings and records of the duly constituted authorities of the several constituent Churches.

10. The officers of the *General Council* shall be a President, Vice-President, Stated Clerk, Treasurer, and such other subordinate officers as may be necessary. *The General Council may also appoint an Executive Committee with such authority as the Council may vote, to act in the intervals between the meetings of Council.*

11. (*New.*) Any Boards or other administrative agencies which the *General Council* may appoint with the approval of the Churches concerned shall be composed of representatives of the constituent Churches, each Church being represented thereon by at least one member. When the number is more than one for each Church, then

the increase shall be in proportion to the volume of work as represented by the annual investment of each Church. All members shall be nominated by the supreme judicatories directly interested or by their Boards or Agencies as the judicatories may determine. Each judicatory shall nominate one or more persons for each vacancy and the term of office shall be four years, the members being divided into two classes, one of which, in the first election, shall be elected for two years only.

12. The *General Council* shall meet in regular session at least biennially, and on its own adjournment, at such time and place as may be determined. In the conduct of its meetings it shall respect the conscientious views of its constituent members. The President shall call special meetings at any time when requested so to do by a majority of the representatives of each of two or more of the constituent bodies; thirty days' notice of such meetings shall be given to all the members, and only such business may be transacted as is specified in the notice.

13. The expenses of the *General Council* shall be met by a fund to be provided by a *pro rata* apportionment on the basis of the representation of each Church in the Council. The expenses of the representatives shall be paid by their respective Churches. All the expenses involved in the settlement of any question between the Churches shall be borne equally by the Churches concerned.

14. When the representatives of three of the Churches, at a meeting of either the *General Council* or its Agencies, request a unit vote by Churches upon a pending motion, the vote shall be so taken.

15. The *General Council* shall have power to make such regulations and by-laws as shall be deemed necessary for the conduct of its business.

16. Any Church holding the Reformed Faith and Presbyterian Polity may be received into the *General Council* by a majority of the representatives of the Churches, voting by the unit rule, and upon its adoption of the *Plan of Federal Union*, these Articles of Agreement included.

17. Any Church in the *General Council* may withdraw therefrom on notice officially given, and on its observance of the same constitutional steps as were followed in its adoption of these Articles.

18. Any amendment to these Articles proposed to the *General Council* shall before its adoption be approved by the Council, and receive the consent of two-thirds of the constituent Churches acting in accordance with their respective Constitutions. When the *General Council* shall have been notified of such consent it shall declare the amendment to be a part of the Articles of Agreement.

HISTORICAL NOTE.

The Articles of Agreement given above in their original form went into effect in 1907, having been adopted by the Reformed Church in America, the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., the United Presbyterian Church of North America, and the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. The first Council met in New York City, in the Collegiate Reformed Church, 29th St. and Fifth Ave., December 3rd and 4th, 1907. The Reformed Church in the U. S., was represented in this First Council by three delegates, although the Articles of Agreement were not adopted by it until 1908. The Associate Reformed Presbyterian Synod was received into the Council in 1910, and Colored Cumberland Presbyterian Church in 1912.

In the list of original Articles No. 18 appeared, reading:

18. These Articles of Agreement shall go into effect when any two or more Churches shall adopt the same by proper action and elect their representatives in the manner herein provided.

This Article having served its purposes is printed as part of this Note.

Inasmuch as the Council of the Reformed Churches in America Holding the Presbyterian System will not meet until 1920, your Committee recommends that this matter be referred to Synod's Permanent Committee on Closer Relations with Other Denominations, with instruction to report upon the same at the Synod of 1919.

At the suggestion of a member of the Committee on the Revision of the Constitution, we recommend that that Committee be authorized to select its own chairman to succeed the lamented Frederic R. Hutton, who had so long and efficiently served in that position.

The Committee recommends the appropriation of \$50, the apportionment of our denomination, for the current expenses of the Council of the Reformed Churches in America Holding the Presbyterian system.

We also recommend the appropriation of \$160, our apportionment, for the Western or American section of the World Presbyterian Alliance, prior to the meeting of the 11th Council.

The terms of the following members of the Council of Reformed Churches in America Holding the Presbyterian system expire this year: Rev. T. H. Mackenzie, Rev. J. P. Searle, Rev. J. W. Beardslee, Sr., and Elder B. Dosker. The Committee recommends that these be re-elected, and that Elder George Tiffany be elected to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Elder Frederic R. Hutton. This action

would also make Elder Tiffany a member of Synod's Permanent Committee on Closer Relations with Other Denominations.

The Committee recommends the appointment of the following corresponding delegates:

Presbyterian Church (North)—Rev. J. A. Jones, primarius; Rev. Andrew Hageman, alternate.

Presbyterian Church (south)—Rev. J. L. Leeper, primarius; John Y. Broek, alternate.

United Presbyterian Church—Rev. William J. Leggett, primarius; Rev. Henry Schipper, alternate.

Presbyterian Church (Canada)—Rev. O. H. Walser, primarius; Rev. George Z. Collier, alternate.

Reformed Church of U. S. (not meeting until 1920).

Christian Reformed Church in North America—Rev. Henry Harmeling, primarius; Albert H. Strabbing, alternate.

General Assembly of Evan. Church of Italy—Rev. W. R. Ackert, primarius; Rev. Charles E. Corwin, alternate.

Waldensian Church of Italy—Rev. Irving H. Berg, primarius; Rev. Pietro Griglio, alternate.

Nat'l Prot. Church of Geneva—Rev. G. H. Payson, primarius; Rev. Alfred Duncombe, alternate.

The Ref. Churches of the Netherlands—Rev. J. F. Zwemer, primarius; Rev. J. H. E. te Grootenhuis, alternate.

Church of Christ in Japan—Rev. H. E. Cobb, primarius; Rev. James Wayer, alternate.

South India United Church—Rev. L. B. Chamberlain, primarius; Rev. Charles F. Stube, alternate.

Respectfully submitted,

JASPER S. HOGAN,
J. PRESTON SEARLE,
HENRY LOCKWOOD,
GARRETT M. CONOVER,

Committee.

The Report was adopted, and a vote of thanks was tendered to the chairman of the Committee, Rev. Jasper S. Hogan, D. D., for the arduous labor, rendered in the work of this Committee.

ARTICLE XVII.

BENEVOLENT SOCIETIES.

THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BENEVOLENT SOCIETIES.

The Committee on Benevolent Societies would report as follows. The following communications have been submitted:

1. A Memorial Message to the President of the United States from the National Service and War-time Commissions of the American Churches.

2. A letter and booklet from the American Tract Society.

3. A Report of the Special Committee of the Lord's Day Alliance of the United States.

4. A Report of the Permanent Committee on Temperance and Observance of the Lord's Day.

5. A communication from the American Bible Society.

6. An address from Rev. James Wayer in behalf of the Chicago Tract Society.

7. A Communication from the Native Races Anti-Liquor Traffic Committee.

8. A recommendation by the General Synod concerning Resolution commendatory of the Anti-Saloon League.

1. A Message to the President and to the Congress of the United States of America. Our Nation has, we profoundly believe, with clean hands and pure heart engaged in conflict for lofty and unselfish ends.

The attainment of those ends demands all the moral powers of our people, the conservation of our economic resources, and the highest efficiency in service.

These powers are impaired, this efficiency is greatly decreased, and our National vitality diminished by the liquor traffic and all its attendant evils, resulting in the waste of food, the waste of labor, and the waste of life itself.

Having duly recognized this in our army and navy by having taken measures to prevent the use of liquor by our troops, we believe that those who remain and serve at home should willingly apply to themselves the same principles which they apply to our soldiers and sailors and should submit to the same limitations for the welfare of the nation.

Therefore, in the interest of those who defend our nation, for the saving of our own supplies of food, for the highest efficiency of the industries which provide our means of warfare, and for the

strengthening of the moral health of the people, we earnestly urge the President and the Congress of the United States to take steps to prevent, during the entire period of the war, by whatever means are feasible, the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquor of all kinds for use as a beverage, including the importation of all liquor.

Resolved, That this Synod express its most emphatic and hearty approval of this memorial message of the Churches of the United States as represented in this War-time Commission, and direct that a copy be sent by the Stated Clerk signed by the President and Stated Clerk to the President and Congress of the United States urging their immediate favorable action.

AMERICAN TRACT SOCIETY.

The Synod rejoices with the American Tract Society in celebrating its ninety-third year of missionary and evangelistic service in diffusing by means of the printed page a knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ as the redeemer of sinners; that within the past twelve months it has printed and distributed 3,006,275 copies of volumes, leaflets and periodicals; that the grand total of its publications in one hundred and seventy-eight languages and dialects reaches 800,711,975, and that in foreign lands 5,736 titles of distinct publications have been issued by the aid of the Society's cash appropriations, and that their circulation totals many millions of copies.

The Synod commends the Tract Society for its generous supply of religious and uplifting reading for our soldiers and sailors, totalling since the beginning of the World War nearly one and one-half million copies of volumes, booklets and leaflets; and for its missionary colportage, the colporters during the past year having made 146,056 family visits and distributed 49,584 volumes of Christian literature and conducted 3,393 religious meetings; and would make special mention of its extended work in behalf of Latin America, it having up to date issued and distributed a total of 17,175,163 copies of volumes, tracts and periodicals in the Spanish and Portuguese languages, amounting in value to \$689,582.80.

Resolved therefore, That the Synod reaffirms its former deliverances and commendations of the work of the Tract Society, and urges that its world-wide service be given a larger place in the hearts and gifts of our people, and earnestly requests Pastors and consistories to give the Society a place in their benevolent budget for an annual offering.

CHICAGO TRACT SOCIETY.

The Chicago Tract Society was represented at Synod by the Rev. James Wayer, of Grand Rapids, Mich., who called attention to the splendid work that this time honored Society was doing in dis-

seminating the Word of the Lord and Christian literature. The purpose of this Society is "To carry the Gospel to the poor and neglected, especially by means of the printed page; to supply to missionaries and workers suitable literature in all languages, to employ missionary colporteurs to visit from house to house in destitute quarters and among the neighbors of foreign speech in order to win the wanderer and save the lost; to uphold Christian ideals and to place as much helpful Christian literature as possible in the homes otherwise out of reach of the Evangelical Churches."

It is a great inspiration to read the reports of these men and they contain much food for thought. This band of workers speak an aggregate of 24 languages and use literature in more than 35. This Society has become a powerful Americanizing agent at this present crisis in our National life and history and is therefore doubly deserving our interest and aid.

Being almost entirely dependent upon benevolences of the Christian people, we therefore recommend that the Synod most heartily thank Mr. Wayer for his informing address and urge upon the Church in the west that their liberal support be given.

LORD'S DAY ALLIANCE.

Again we have received an excellent communication from the Lord's Day Alliance of the United States in the form of a report of the special committee on Sabbath Observance of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church. This subject was ably presented on the floor of the Synod by the Rev. Harry L. Bowby, D. D., of New York, General Secretary.

The survey presents this statement which is worthy of our prayerful consideration. "The battle ground of the churches for the next ten years will be on the field of the Christian Sabbath. The Church has been too long on the defensive and must now turn upon the enemies of the Lord's Day and hurl them out of this trespassed territory. The day is threatened with disaster. The time has come when every minister of the gospel must stand up and be counted and when every church must have a clear vision of the dangers which threaten it through Sabbath desecration and the breaking down of the legal safeguards of our civil Sabbath.

"Two Alpine facts have stunned the Church and should impel at once an action that would enlarge this department of Christian service and put it on a basis commensurate with the work that is to be done. 1. The motion picture interests of the country, said to be the fifth largest business in the United States, through extensive and expensive advertising are capturing the editors of large and influential papers, and the pressure applied to Senators and Assem-

blymen, are urging and, in fact, demanding that their business be legalized on Sunday. Proofs abundant have been offered that more than fifty per cent. (50%) of the motion picture films on the road to-day are either immoral in character or of an indecent tendency.

2. It needs but to be mentioned that if Sunday base ball games, professional and amateur are legalized on Sunday, the work of the Churches and Sunday Schools will be vastly weakened and the temptations for luring away our young people from the Bible schools and churches increased with immeasurable possibilities for harm.

We therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

The General Synod of the Reformed Church in America looks with deep anxiety on the growing menace of Sabbath desecration, and realizes in view of the present day conditions that the battle ground of the Churches during the next years will be on the field of the Christian Sabbath; that the enemy is everywhere organized and his mighty drives have begun with greater intensity than ever before and that the Christian Sabbath is threatened with disaster.

In view of such pertinent and vital issues bearing on our Christian Sabbath and having specially brought to our attention a vivid account of the victories and strategic battles of the past year in a stirring and stimulating message by the Rev. Harry L. Bowlby, D. D., General Secretary of the Lord's Day Alliance, we would call upon all our churches to help effectively to answer the urgent S. O. S. Call—Save Our Sabbath. Therefore be it,

Resolved, 1. That in order to make more effective the splendid services of the Lord's Day Alliance of the United States, which organization represents our Church in the department of Sabbath Observance we give our hearty endorsement and recommend that it be continued in the budget of our benevolences of the churches, and that we invite representatives of the Alliance and affiliated Societies to present the cause to our congregations.

2. That the General Synod reiterates its strong and emphatic disapproval of all secular uses of the Lord's Day, all games and sports, all unnecessary travelling and excursions, and urges upon all employers of labor and captains of industry to recognize the need of the laboring man for his weekly rest day and secure him in this right and thereby insure his larger efficiency and happiness and greater prosperity of both capital and labor.

3. That the General Synod urges on all families not to buy anything on the Sabbath, to plan for their servants on the Sabbath and help them to fulfill their religious duties and to pay laborers so that they may have Saturday afternoon to make provisions for the Sabbath.

4. That we very earnestly and respectfully request the President

of the United States, Commander in Chief of the Army and Navy, to take such measures as may be necessary to eliminate all theatrical, vaudeville performances, boxing activities and dancing at our various army and navy posts, believing that they cultivate a taste for Sabbath desecration in our choice young men ready to give up their all upon the altars of sacrifice, and that being out of harmony with the spirit of the Lord's Day, also give aid and comfort to the numerous enemies who would break down the legal safeguards of our Christian Sabbath.

5. That the General Synod again recommend a Sabbath Observance Committee be organized in each Classis, and that this Committee co-operate with similar committees of other denominations within its bound in aiding the work of local Sabbath Associations; and where such organizations do not exist, to promote the organizations of such associations in connection with the State and National organizations.

6. Resolved, That especially owing to the importance of laws enacted at the Capitol of the Nation the following letter be sent to the President of the United States:

President Woodrow Wilson,
Washington, D. C.

Whereas it has come to the knowledge of the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America now assembled in Asbury Park, N. J., that the commissioners of the District of Columbia have taken action authorizing professional baseball on the Lord's Day.

Resolved, That the General Synod hereby records its protest against this action which tends to secularize and commercialize the Lord's Day and we most respectfully and earnestly appeal to the President that he do exercise his high authority in reversing said action of the commissioners of the District of Columbia.

EVART J. BLEKKINK, *President*.
HENRY LOCKWOOD, *Stated Clerk*.

TEMPERANCE.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America.

The Permanent Committee on Temperance, and the Permanent Committee on the Observance of the Lord's Day, appointed by the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America, beg leave to make a joint report to this General Synod for reasons which will hereafter appear.

The Temperance Committee has endeavored to get in touch with the churches, through the appointment of a Classical Agent who will seek to keep the pastors and churches of his Classis interested

along temperance lines. In response to the circular letters and personal visits to classes of the Chairman of the Committee 26 classes have responded by the appointment of such agents while 13 classes have failed or, in one or two instances, declined to do so.

Monies have been received and expended by this Committee as follows: Balance from last year, \$8.66; cash contributed by Churches this year, \$9.00; paid for typewriting, postage, etc., \$13.19; balance on hand, \$4.47.

Articles in the "Christian Intelligencer" and "Leader," appeals for prohibition action to legislators of New York and representation of the Church in the Temperance Commission of the Federal Council, as well as the attendance of the Chairman at several inter-church temperance conferences have shown the interest of our church in this movement.

The Committee on Observance of the Lord's Day has also done what it could by urging the keeping of the Sabbath Observance Sunday (April 7th, 1918), by our churches, by seeking and obtaining recognition by the Lord's Day Alliance as a constituent of that movement and by various protests against anti-sabbath legislation.

But both of these Committees regret to say that as at present constituted and equipped they can do but little more than nominally represent our denomination in these two great and vital national reform movements and express our undoubted sympathy with the work which others are doing to make our nation "safe for democracy" by banishing intoxicating liquor from the land and preserving the sanctity of the Lord's Day in the eyes of our people.

With a scattered membership and with no money with which to work, the activities of these two Committees have been largely limited to the efforts which the Chairman has been able to exert and the very little money that he has been able to secure in the endeavor to keep the Reformed Church in America from being wholly left behind and forgotten by her sister churches in this impending fight for religious and social truth and righteousness.

It would seem indeed as if the Reformed Church should either do more or do less in its advocacy of national temperance and Sabbath Observance and other such reforms. It cannot do more without some adequate and definite supplies of workers and funds. It cannot do less except it be willing to wholly drop out of sight and leave the fight for the Sabbath and for Sobriety to the efforts of its fellow Christians. This last step we do not really think our Church is willing to take or to be convicted of being a moral "slack-er" in this war for righteousness. It cannot fail however, of becoming such so long as it contents itself with passing commendatory resolutions in our Synod and Classes while failing to provide the men or money that will enable us to take a fitting part with our

brethren of the Christian Churches of our land in their fight to establish sobriety and sanctity as the rightful heritage of our nation.

We believe, however, that with proper reorganization and a small provision of necessary means much more can be done than has hitherto been attempted and we therefore offer the following suggestions for the consideration of General Synod:

1. That both the Permanent Committee on Temperance and the Permanent Committee on Observance of the Lord's Day be discharged with the thanks of General Synod for their past services.

2. That the General Synod at this session appoint a "Permanent Committee on Public Morals," whose scope and function shall combine those of the two Committees previously named, and which shall also have charge of the relation of our church to any question or movement pertaining to public morality or reform movements which shall be assigned to it by General Synod or which the Committee may decide to take up, subject to the confirmation of General Synod.

3. That this Permanent Committee on Public Morals consist of nine members, a majority of whom shall be so situated as to conveniently attend meetings of the Committee held in New York City or vicinity. Due notice of all such meetings shall be given to all members, but when such notice shall have been given, when at least any portion of such Committee regularly convened shall form a quorum for the transaction of all business. The terms of members of the Committee shall be three years from the date of their election, and the Committee shall have power to fill their own vacancies until the next meeting of the General Synod after such vacancies occur.

4. That the Permanent Committee on Public Morals shall be empowered to represent the Reformed Church in America in all similar Committees or Conferences of Interdenominational bodies or in reform movements in the interests of Public morals and shall decide with which such movements and bodies they shall co-operate subject to the approval of General Synod.

5. That each Classis of our Church which has not already done so be requested and urged to appoint an agent who shall endeavor to secure the co-operation and support of the pastors and people of that Classis for the movements endorsed and recommended by Synod's Permanent Committee on Morals.

6. That for the purpose of providing the necessary means for the work of the Permanent Committee and the Classical agents, such as the expenses of correspondence, printing, postage, literature, travelling expenses, etc., each Classis is hereby requested to secure through its agent or treasurer, an annual contribution of at least

One Dollar (\$1.00) from each congregation within its bounds. Of the sum thus collected, one-third is to be retained by the Classical agent, if there is one, for his expenses; and two-thirds remitted to the treasurer of the Permanent Committee on Public Morals for its expenses.

Synod's Committee shall include a detailed and audited statement of their receipts and payments for the past year in their annual report to the General Synod.

The Committee also submit the following resolutions for the consideration of Synod:

1. Resolved, That General Synod expresses its hearty sympathy with and approbation of the efforts now being made throughout our country to secure the adoption of an amendment to the Constitution of the United States prohibiting the manufacture and sale of all intoxicating beverages throughout our land, and calls upon the entire membership of our church to work and pray and vote for the success of this great and sorely needed national reform.

2. Resolved, That General Synod endorse and reiterate a recent action of the Classis of New York in regard to the conservation of food and the cessation of the use of all food grains for the manufacture of alcoholic liquors in these words, viz:

We are heartily in favor of food conservation and urge it upon our people, but we note that the manufacture of beer goes on as before, consuming valuable food material, consuming fuel when the supply was inadequate and throwing a burden upon our already over congested railroad facilities. We believe that as a conservation measure, the manufacture of beer and other alcoholic liquors should be entirely stopped, and we memorialize Congress to take appropriate action to this end.

3. Resolved, That General Synod views with great concern the growing disregard of the Lord's Day as a day of rest and worship and its increasing use as a time for mere social life and recreation. We call upon all Christians to remember the absolute need of the Christian Sabbath for the preservation of our national liberties, and morale, and deprecate the use of the day for any form of public amusements and diversions. We recall with gratification the action of the President in issuing a general order restricting to the lowest limits on the Lord's Day the work required of our soldiers and sailors, and invite the Y. M. C. A. and all other similar organizations having the religious and spiritual welfare of our men at heart to unite their efforts with those of all Christians to make the Sabbath Day more than ever a day of real refreshment and strength to the souls as well as to the bodies of those who are facing such serious and strenuous conditions as the defenders of their country. And we urge all Christian men and women to employ the Christian

Lord's Day as a most potent help in arousing and maintaining that spirit of Christian loyalty, sacrifice and courage which is no less essential than material preparedness for the successful accomplishment of the great and holy task before us and our allies, in securing a righteous and just peace between all the nations of the earth.

4. Resolved, That the joint recommendations of the Permanent Committee on Temperance and on the Observance of the Lord's Day be approved and adopted and that a Permanent Committee on Public Morals be appointed in accordance with the above recommendations and suggestions, the same to serve until discharged by General Synod.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Attest: That at a joint meeting of the Permanent Committee on Temperance and the Permanent Committee on Observance of the Lord's Day, held at 25 East 22nd Street, New York City, on May 23rd, 1918, the above report was approved and adopted and ordered to be transmitted to General Synod for their consideration and action.

A. DEW. MASON, *Chairman*.

GEORGE TIFFANY, *Secretary*.

Your Committee, after careful consideration deems that the suggestions and resolutions submitted by this joint committee tend to crystalize and establish intelligent action, on this most important phase of christian work and therefore recommend its adoption by General Synod and that the following be appointed as the Permanent Committee on Public Morals.

Reverend A. DeW. Mason, Brooklyn.

Reverend Ame Vennema, Mahwah, N. J.

Reverend Edward Dawson, Passaic, N. J.

Reverend O. M. Voorhees, New York City.

Reverend H. J. Veldman, Holland, Michigan.

Elder Wm. Percy Watson, M. D., Jersey City.

Elder H. P. Schneeweiss, New Brunswick, N. J.

Elder George Tiffany, Brooklyn, N. Y.

AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY.

Elder Cornelius Dosker, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

The American Bible Society which has been linked with the Reformed Church in America throughout the 102 years in which it has been carrying on the production and distribution of the Word of God, presents the report of its general work for the year 1917. It also presents a resume of the special work done for the Army and Navy of our country during its first year of the war.

The work of the Society is both national and world-wide. Through nine Home Agencies covering the United States, and assisted by 202 Auxiliary Bible Societies, the work in our country is carried on. Through eleven Foreign Agencies covering all the countries of Latin America, the Philippines, Northern Japan, Korea, the Empire of China, Siam and the Levant, and through correspondents in Europe, Africa, Micronesia and parts of Asia not covered by the Agencies, an increasingly important work is conducted abroad.

The Society also manufactures the Scriptures; in New York, Beirut, Bangkok, Shanghai, Yokohama, etc., and chiefly on its own or Mission Presses.

The work of translation and revision of the Scriptures has been going forward constantly during these months of war, as during the decades of the past. In co-operation chiefly with the British and Foreign Bible Society, the Scriptures now have been made available in printed form in over 600 languages.

The issues for the past years were nearly five million volumes (4,818,564), bringing the total issues by this Society, approximately, to 76½ million in the United States, and to 51½ million abroad, or a total of over one hundred and twenty-eight million.

The Society has met the challenge of the need created by the world war with faith and courage. Previous to the participation of the United States in the war, it had helped supply Scriptures to all the warring nations, and has helped to supply, altogether, a million and a half volumes for this purpose.

In the year since the entrance of the United States into the war, the Society has prepared and sent out 2,231,831 volumes of Army and Navy Scriptures in special editions, for the American forces alone.

Your Committee would recommend the following action for the approval of General Synod:

Recognizing that the Bible is essential to the life of all our churches as well as to our Missions, Home and Foreign, and believing that the production and distribution of the Scriptures is a responsibility in which the Reformed Church in America should share more definitely.

Resolved, (1) That General Synod earnestly endorse the work and efforts of the American Bible Society at home and abroad.

(2) That this basic work of providing and distributing the Holy Scriptures be presented in all our churches, and that regular offerings be taken for its work, adopting as a goal for the Reformed Church in America, a contribution of one cent a member.

(3) That where practicable special offerings for the Army and Navy work be made, that this work may not imperil the resources of the Society for its general work.

(4) The American Bible Society having established an Advisory Council of representatives of those churches whose bodies similar to our General Synod recognize the work of the Society, and having invited the General Synod to appoint such a representative, that Synod appoint Rev. Evert J. Blekkink, D. D., as its representative for the ensuing year.

(5) That this representative, as chairman, together with the laymen and ministers of the Reformed Church on the Board of the American Bible Society, be constituted a Committee on the Bible Cause to make a report on this cause annually to Synod.

(This Permanent Committee will consist of Rev. E. J. Blekkink, chairman, Mr. E. E. Olcott, Mr. Frederick Frelinghuysen, Rev. J. P. Searle and Rev. W. P. Bruce.)

(6) Native Races Anti-Liquor Traffic—In view of the wide spread menace which the liquor traffic brings to the native races and which was so ably presented by the secretary of this Committee, Rev. Hervy Wood, we hereby commend all efforts which are being made to eliminate this growing evil and urge upon all Christians to use every effort to prevent the manufacture of intoxicating liquors at home, so that this greatest hindrance to the spread of civilization and Christianity may be removed.

(7) Anti-Saloon League—The chapter of successes of the past year and the optimistic note which was sounded by the Rev. James K. Shields, Superintendent of the New Jersey Anti-Saloon League, gives the Synod cause for rejoicing that the first gleams of the day dawn of a Saloonless Nation appear.

Resolved, That we give our most hearty endorsement of the Anti-Saloon League and urge upon all our Churches to continue its moral and financial support. That wherever our churches are established in States which have not as yet eliminated the saloon, that there shall be a continued insistent appeal to Governors and State Legislatures till the cause be won, and that our members be urged to vote for only such who are pronounced in their stand on this great moral question.

A. W. HOPPER, *Chairman.*
ERNEST CLAPP,
ANDREW STEGENGA,
WM. A. COLE,
ALMAN H. HOUGHTON,
Committee.

The Report was adopted.

ARTICLE XVIII.

SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE.

REPORT ON CHURCH STATISTICS.

At the General Synod of 1917 a Committee which had been appointed in 1916 to take into consideration the matter of inaccuracy of church statistics and to report a plan to remedy this condition presented a report, which was adopted, and included as a part of its conclusions a new blank for the use of Consistories in making up their annual reports to the Classes.

Later in the session of General Synod a supplementary resolution was adopted continuing the committee until further action by General Synod. It is probable that in the mind of Synod it was deemed advisable to retain the committee until actual use of the blanks should reveal any faults which might develop.

Under these conditions the only work the Committee could do this year would be to consider such criticisms as might be presented and attempt to remedy such faults as should be apparent. Therefore no meetings were planned, as it was expected that some time after the Spring Classical meetings material would be available for consideration. But in the fall of 1917, Dr. Paul S. Leinbach, one of the members of the Committee, became an editor in our sister denomination, the Reformed Church in the United States, and only last month by the lamented death of Professor Hutton, a second member was lost to the Committee, leaving the reader of this report the only member. Under these circumstances any committee meeting has been impossible.

The recommendation of the Committee in 1917 was to the effect that when General Synod approved the report the Board of Publication and Bible School Work should be authorized and directed to prepare and distribute the new blanks. As General Synod did approve the report the remainder of the recommendation should also have gone into effect, but unfortunately it did not, for no one seems to have been instructed to inform the Board of Publication and Bible School Work of its task. When the time came for the Stated Clerks of the Classes to begin the issuing of the Consistorial blanks no new ones had been prepared. At the suggestion of the Stated Clerk of General Synod the reader of this report undertook to get sufficient blanks printed for use this year. Under the conditions of trade at this time this was not an easy task. But a sympathetic printer was discovered, and letters were sent out to all the Stated Clerks informing them of the proposed plan of sending them the new blanks. The

mail service was perhaps responsible for delays and some non-deliveries, but it is believed that practically every pastor in our church has had the opportunity to try out the new blanks.

In a note inserted in the Christian Intelligencer by the reader the request was made for criticisms of the form, but only one reply was received. Probably the time was too short or, possibly, it was thought best to discuss the matter here.

As the matter stands now, the Committee appointed in 1916 has fulfilled the task assigned to it, and the sole survivor asks to be discharged. Should it appear from discussion at this General Synod that any considerable amount of opposition to the form exists, or should the possibility of further improvement be made apparent, the reader would recommend that a new Committee of three be appointed to take the matter under consideration, with power to amend the form of Consistorial blank in any minor details, and that the Board of Publication and Bible School Work be authorized and directed to print and issue such new blanks at a fair price, when they shall have been prepared by the Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES BOYD HUNTER.

The Report was adopted and on motion a committee of three was appointed to prepare consistorial blanks for the next year as follows: Revs. J. B. Hunter, Abram Duryee, and Elder B. T. Van Alen.

REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America:

The year which closed April 30th, 1918, witnessed many activities in our churches and classes along the lines covered by the responsibilities of this Committee. An increasing number of churches avail themselves of the benefits resulting from the Every Member Canvass, with its sound business principles and its enlistment of the membership in the principles of systematic giving. The increasing contributions reported by the mission and other boards we believe to be in large measure the result of the widening use of this system in our churches. During the year just passed, this Committee has continued its advocacy of the Every Member Canvass and has assisted many churches in planning their canvass.

The Committee feels, however, that the time has come for an enlargement of the Every Member Canvass plan. The method of the canvass is sound, definite and direct. In every case where it has been tried it has resulted in increased income, not only for the support of the church but also for benevolences. But the Every Mem-

ber Canvass plan is simply applying business methods to the church. It has supplied the church with a method of giving, but it has not attempted to say *how much* should be given. We believe that it is generally felt that it is time to put new *content* into this very successful *method*. The Committee therefore proposes to inaugurate during the coming year a campaign for Proportionate Giving.

Proportionate Giving recognizes as its fundamental principle the fact that all that a man possesses belongs to the Lord; that he is a steward and must give a conscientious accounting of his use of his possessions. Moreover, God's ownership and man's stewardship are best recognized by the systematic application of a definite proportion of income to the advancement of the Kingdom, and prayerful and intelligent use of the balance of the income, not thus set aside. Proportionate Giving is simply a recognition of the scriptural injunction: "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store as God has prospered him." (2 Cor. 16:2). In order that one may follow this injunction he needs to take careful account of his gifts for the Lord's work on the basis of a definite proportion of his whole income. One needs to begin by recognizing that all belongs to the Lord, and as an earnest of the whole he will, therefore, set aside a definite *proportion* each week or each month for His work.

Proportionate Giving involves, first, getting at the facts; second, deciding upon a proportion; and, third, some pledge and some organization. It is, therefore, proposed to prepare and distribute to the churches cards, stating the principles of Proportionate Giving, and to solicit in each church the signatures of those who accept and agree to follow these principles. Those who do so are then to be regarded as members of a Fellowship in Proportionate Giving. Similar campaigns to this are being started in other Churches, and the Laymen's Missionary Movement is proposing to give Proportionate Giving a large place in its conventions of next winter.

This proposal is not a money-getting scheme for the Church or the boards, but the Committee desires to make it an effort to reinforce and more generally to establish a spiritual motive for all giving. It seeks to get each member of the church to consider what he is giving; to teach Christians to put the Kingdom first; and to put giving on a sound and fundamental basis. It is not proposed to add another organization to an already well organized Church, but rather to suggest a platform upon which the whole life of the Church at home and abroad can be based. A careful and systematic inauguration of such a movement as this, will, the Committee believes, make for the deepening of the spiritual life of the Church. The present calls for greater seriousness of purpose in every endeavor of the Church, and this campaign for Proportionate Giving seeks

to put the emphasis in money matters where it belongs, on the fundamental ground of God's Sovereignty and man's complete dependence upon Him.

In accordance with direction previously given to this Committee by the General Synod, there is submitted herewith a Budget of the minimum amounts which should be secured during the fiscal year 1918-1919 to carry forward the work of the administrative agencies of the Church:

Foreign Missions	\$350,000 00
Domestic Missions	287,100 00
Board of Education	20,000 00
Publication and Bible School.....	20,000 00
Disabled Ministers'	15,000 00
Widows' Fund	12,000 00
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Total	\$704,100 00

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. DEMAREST,

Secretary.

WM. I. CHAMBERLAIN,

Chairman.

MINORITY REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE.

Fathers and Brethren:

Upon a careful review of the report of the Permanent Committee on Systematic Beneficence, it seems evident that the plan proposed for education and voluntary enlistment in systematic giving, is a forward step of importance, in line with similar campaigns already in operation in other denominations, and looking to the extension and increased efficiency of all our organized denominational service to the Master's Kingdom.

The main object sought is the diffusion and strengthening of the sense of individual responsibility for the wider tasks of the church, consequent upon the recognition of a Christian's true office as steward of whatever he may possess or acquire. As our church has accepted a definite responsibility agreeing to undertake a certain part of the Christian world-wide program, in proportion to the ability of the church to give and serve, so it is sought to enlist individual members of the church, to offer voluntarily of their means, for altruistic service, in some definite degree proportioned to their ability.

This plan does not contemplate any inquisitorial prying into the affairs of individuals, to learn the amount of one's income, and to

make it a matter of common knowledge, but rather seeks to lay upon the conscience of each the indubitable fact that his duty and privilege of giving to the Lord's work can best be actualized by setting aside such definite portion as he is able gladly to do, after earnest prayer and Divinely counselled planning. Between himself and his Master must be the determination of the proportion of his goods which he will devote to the service of the Kingdom.

There is suggested a voluntary fellowship of proportionate givers, of those who throughout our denomination shall decide upon giving a definite proportion of their income: in order to give and gain mutual encouragement, and receive greater impetus for the movement, and more widespread adoption of its principles.

It is specifically stated that this is not a money-getting scheme, but a movement seeking a spiritual and primarily, in the complete conservation of all that a man is and has, to the purposes of his Lord.

The means suggested for the wide projection of this plan through the churches of our denomination, is the circulation of a card which states the principles of proportionate giving, to be signed by those who accept these principles for their own constant practice. This, it is understood, is to be used to crystallize the sentiment aroused, in support of the principle of proportionate giving, by such educational campaign as individual pastors may desire to carry through.

The final recommendation of the Permanent Committee is that the Synod adopt the following budget for the work of our denominational agencies during the ensuing year.

BUDGET FOR 1918-1919

Foreign Missions	\$350,000 00
Domestic Missions	287,100 00
Board of Education	20,000 00
Publication and Bible-School Work.....	20,000 00
Disabled Minister's Fund.....	15,000 00
Widow's Fund	12,000 00
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Total	\$704,100 00

CONCLUSIONS.

The following conclusions are based upon the study of the plans proposed by the Permanent Committee:

First. The budget plan, to which General Synod has already given its adherence, with its visions of constantly enlarging service

during these most crucial years, so big with meaning and destiny, necessitates a constantly growing recognition on the part of all the members of our church, of their individual responsibility in the work of the Kingdom's advance.

Second. This sense of individual responsibility for the coming of the Kingdom awakened by the recognition of need, and inspired by personal loyalty to Christ, must be guided to more concrete and definite expression, worthy of a man's ability and means.

Third. Men with wide practical experience and Christ-inspired vision, leaders in the church of Christ, have found the present a specially suitable time for the practical exposition and application of the Scriptural principle of stewardship. It would seem wise that our church, in accord with its worthy traditions of being in the van of every great advance movement in the Kingdom should come into line with this movement also.

RESOLUTIONS.

Your Committee presents the following resolutions for your adoption:

First. That the budget for the coming year, be adopted as given in this report.

Second. That this Synod accept the report of the Permanent Committee on Systematic Beneficence, adopting its recommendations with the changes and adaptations hereinafter proposed.

Third: That the Reformed Church in America inaugurate now a campaign for proportionate giving, educational in its aim and method, seeking the voluntary enlistment of pastors and congregations throughout our denomination in the recognition of the spiritual principle of stewardship.

And that the Permanent Committee on Systematic Beneficence be empowered to prepare to definite statement of the principles of stewardship of proportionate giving for the use of pastors and churches as they may desire.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) HENRY D. FROST.

The Report was adopted.

TABULAR STATEMENT.

Of the offerings made during the year ending April 30, 1918, by the several churches to the (denominational) Boards and Funds recommended by the General Synod, each sum comprising the total amount received from each church, whether by church offering or otherwise, and including societies of all kinds, and schools. For further details, see the Reports of the several Boards.

CLASSES.	Education.	Publication and Bible-school Work.	Foreign Missions.	Domestic Missions and Church Building Fund.	Disabled Ministers' Fund.	Widows' Fund.
CLASSIS OF ALBANY.						
First, Albany	\$80	\$25	\$2,019 66	\$1,073	\$100	\$50
Madison Ave., Albany	198 85		2,038 26	1,508 02	100	78 67
Third, Albany			57 24	67 50		
Fourth, Albany	10	5	105	95	10	
Fifth, Albany			133 32	88 32		
Sixth, Albany	17 75	19 75	116 94	70 31	19 75	14 75
First, Bethlehem	26		71 36	135 09	15	15
Second, Berne			6			
Clarksville	1 13	2 84	15 31	5 53	52	52
Coeymans		7 61	25 30	24 30		
Delmar	8 75	11 50	155 57	193 36	8 75	7 50
Jerusalem		5	26	20		2 50
Knox	3 00	1				
New Baltimore	7 41	2 83		45 51	5 02	
New Salem	2 90	1 33	38 89	25 35	1 38	1 33
Onesquethaw			2 50	2 50		
Union		5 84	11 76			
Westerloo	4	3	20	22 34	2 90	2 90
Ministerial Assn.			10			
W. M. Union			26 54			
Totals	\$359 79	\$90 70	\$4,879 65	\$3,286 13	\$263 27	\$173 17
CLASSIS OF BERGEN.						
First, Hackensack	\$55	\$12	\$486 50	\$382	\$20	\$30
Schraalenburgh	13 13	21 56	141 46	317 02	11 54	14 85
English Neighborhood	8 10		34 80	34	9 20	
Second, Hackensack	44 37		409 93	698 68	47 72	
Third, Hackensack		4	8	19	3	
Closter	26 91	10 96	162 16	247 42	18 47	18 46
North Hackensack	13	14 16	86 40	117 87	4	4
Spring Valley			12	17		
Westwood	42 75	31 64	263 63	212 36	42 75	25 64
Oradell	31 07	9 31	235 57	291 49	21 85	22 20
Hasbrouck Heights		20	45	53 28	10	10
Highwood				38 28		
Rochelle Park		5	33 26	31 20		
Bogart Memorial	13 65	6 84	189 76	77 61		
Harrington Park	5 00	13 38	72 76	92 39	10	10
Italian, Hackensack			5			
W. M. Union			21 95			
Totals	\$252 98	\$148 85	\$2,135 42	\$2,629 60	\$198 53	\$135 15
SOUTH CLASSIS OF BERGEN.						
Bergen, Jersey City	\$121 04	\$63 47	\$338 99	\$620 00	\$45 38	\$29 00
First, Bayonne	22 00	33 86	319	338	100	30
First Van Voorst, Jersey City	8	34 52	348 50	253 04	7	30
Park, Jersey City			13	46		
Fifth Street, Bayonne	67 17	61 98	421 32	460 04	50 37	50 37

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SOUTH CLASSIS OF BERGEN. (Continued).						
Second Hudson City, Jersey City..	7 62		25	38 98	17 78	
Lafayette, Jersey City	68 63	26 25	357 59	312 56	30 47	30 47
Greenville, Jersey City	27 70		39 89	58 80	13 85	
Third, Bayonne	2	2	5	20	3	3
First German Ev., Jersey City.....	10	5	5	10	10	40
St. John's German, Jersey City.....			9 40			40
Faith, Jersey City	11 92		175 49	145 56	5 97	5 97
West Side, Jersey City						
W. M. Union			16 32			
Totals	\$346 08	\$217 08	\$2,574 41	\$2,302 98	\$283 82	\$249 81
CLASSIS OF THE CASCADES.						
Elk				\$31		
Seattle				70		
Hope	\$ 88					
Lynden	23 04	\$16 11	\$119 29	51 30		
Manhattan		5 22	9 03	14		
Monarch		7	13 50	75	\$16	\$16
Montana, First			80 12			
New Holland			12 52	12 53		
North Yakima	20	10	220	294 75	25	45
Oak Harbor	6 18		92 14	96 78	14 89	14 90
Hope, Big Timber		2 37	5 20	5 71		
San Francisco			17	133 25		
Portland				5		
Totals	\$50 10	\$40 70	\$568 80	\$798 38	\$55 89	\$75 90
CLASSIS OF CHICAGO.						
First, Chicago	\$40	\$20	\$793	\$784 10	\$20	\$25
Chicago, West Side	24 66	13	208 33	199 88		
Danforth	8		88 20	22 39	6 05	
De Motte		14 74	196 20	59 50	14 30	10 46
Ebenezer, Morrison	15 20		394 35	132	15 35	28 50
First, Englewood	18 63	5	267 71	264 39	15 35	16
First, Fulton	15 11		564 73	114 10	5 42	5 42
Second, Fulton	6 35	3 20	556 38	291 80	4 75	4 75
Gano	17	10	105 80	120 10	12 80	12 80
Indianapolis	3 65	3	15	22 50	2	2
Lafayette			67 27	68 35	8 66	8 90
Lansing	26	18	438 30	349 25	20	21
Mt. Greenwood			86 50	73 80	7 20	7 80
Newton	7 25	7 64	180 37	189 12	3 57	3 57
First, Roseland	50	27 66	2,246 32	955 75	82 53	69 26
South Holland	20	5	1,619 41	509 82	10	10
Spring Valley, Ustick	5 98	5 77	71 30	45 68	5 58	5 51
Summit	10 10		70 75	88 60	2 50	
Wichert	31 44		113 89	135 25	5	5
W. M. Union			65			
Totals	\$299 37	\$133 01	\$8,248 79	\$4,396 38	\$241 06	\$235 97
CLASSIS OF DAKOTA.						
Aurora	\$2	\$2	\$124	\$105 35	\$4	\$3
Castlewood	5		96 20	64 76	4	4
Charles Mix	10	5	68 67	97 48	10	10
Corsica	7 50	5	25	69 16	6	6
Grand View	7	7	77	78	7	7
Harrison	16 23	8 85	440 70	539 35	12	12 43
Hull, American Ref'd.....				17 75		
Lake View			7	2		
Litchville	2	1	60 32	77 91	2 50	2 50
Maurice, American Re'd.....	11 59	3 00	63 87	44 69		

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CLASSIS OF DAKOTA. (Continued).						
Monroe, Sandham Memorial	33 45	10	385 77	331 72	20 11	25 98
North Marion	11 05	5	158 91	157 66	25 28	25 28
Orange City, Am. Ref'd	32 76	27 20	1,838 41	928 16	27 20	27 20
Springfield	22 90	34 70	563 25	401 69	15 61	15 61
Strasburg	2 50	5	67 92	25	2 50	2 50
Tyndall			12	13		
Westfield	22 76		698 88	568 75	25 52	26 02
Twin Brooks		1	3 95			
W. M. Union			40 03			
Totals	\$186 74	\$114 75	\$4,711 88	\$3,502 43	\$161 72	\$167 52
CLASSIS OF GERMANIA.						
Baker				\$11 55		
Bethany		\$32 15	\$10	196 59	\$10	\$30
Bethel	\$5		5	7	25	8
Chancellor	1 50		57	152 61	10	10
Cromwell Center			60	85	3 68	3 69
Davis	8	5	50	82		
Delaware			10	72 99		
Dempster	5	3	106 21	75 52	3 50	3 50
Herman			7 12	7		
Hope	5	5	5	40		
Lennox, Second	14 82	4 12	212	150 80	21 06	16 01
Logan	5	5	36 60	67 75	10	10
Monroe	10		40	120 73		
North Sibley		3 89	18 19	22 00	5	15
Salem	25	15	137 05	260 35	40	10 75
Scotland	16 84		29 90	222 77		
Sibley		3 51	5 75	61 50	18 50	7 50
Claremont				10		
Totals	\$96 16	\$76 67	\$789 82	\$1,646 26	\$146 74	\$114 45
CLASSIS OF GRAND RIVER.						
Ada			\$11 78			
Atwood			52 29	\$32 18		
Beverly	\$6 62	\$13 02	54 78	39 97	\$2 97	\$9 48
Byron Center	7 60		194 12	151 51	6 80	4 35
Coopersville	21 70	3	1,305 42	529 79	10	30 95
Decatur	4	2	28	48		
Detroit	39 85	5	378 45	308 34		
East Paris		4 27	11 33	26 80	20	15
Falmouth			14 10	17 24		
Fremont	14 86	14 87	198 97	143 32	8 40	8 40
Grand Haven, First	38 95		862 15	500 57	20	20
Grand Rapids, Third	12 43	8 50	1,830 12	759 14	10	10
Grand Rapids, Fourth	10	10	550	384 45		20
Grand Rapids, Fifth	15 23	11 25	1,468 17	1,171 98		9
Grand Rapids, Sixth	20		148 67	126	10	5
Grand Rapids, Seventh	10	3	357 79	318 50	10	8
Grand Rapids, Eighth	6 45		428 75	250 05	5 83	5 84
Grand Rapids, Ninth	10	5	298 80	297	7	7
Grand Rapids, Trinity				116 27		
Grandville	8 52	5	532 08	320 64	18 87	13 55
Grant			70 79	24 42		
Kalamazoo, First		5	154 32	240 67	10	20
Kalamazoo, Third	13	4	313 58	326 18	8	8
Kalamazoo, Fourth	9	3	94	116	10	20
Lamont			20 35	16 99		
Moddersville				14 91		
Fruitport Mission Fest			91 19	50		
Muskegon, First	21		282 37	324 87	10 50	10 50
Muskegon, Third	2	4	35	25 58	3	10

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CLASSIS OF GRAND RIVER. (Continued).						
New Era	8	4	156 32	56 25	12	6
Plainfield			34 96	41 81	2 50	2 50
Portage			143 31	143 07	6	7
Rehoboth			42	53		
South Barnard			33 29	5		
South Haven						
Spring Lake	15	12 80	374 47	206 70	11 65	15
Grand Rapids Mission Fest.			68 12			
Twin Lakes	12	3 50	98 50	66	5	4
Edna L. Niemeyer, Kalamazoo.		25				
Brand Mission			4			
Allendale			25 72			
Allegan Mission			8	48 65		
W. M. Union			53 96			
Totals	\$306 21	\$121 46	10,830 02	\$7,366 85	\$217 52	\$269 57
CLASSIS OF GREENE.						
Athens	\$5	\$5	\$75	\$87 32	\$5	
Catskill	37 90	47 95	700 72	641 31	51 58	\$56 28
First, Coxsackie	4 83	5 90	91 64	78 60	4 36	10 03
Second, Coxsackie	4 82	3 21	183 21	176 46	6 43	20
Kiskatom	3		14 60	33		
Leeds			42 25	39 60	2 50	
W. M. Union			15			
Totals	\$55 55	\$62 06	\$1,122 42	\$1,056 29	\$69 87	\$86 31
CLASSIS OF HOLLAND.						
Beaverdam	\$5 41	\$3	\$111 95	\$119 75	\$3	\$3
First, Cleveland	12 95		79 95	96 89	4 52	4 52
Calvary, Cleveland	31 35	6 27	447 53	787 35	15 63	15 67
Dunningville			48 02	27 33		
East Overisel			81 19	163 60		
Ebenezer	9 55	8	161 81	180 81	6 65	6 65
Graafschap			61 13	62 13		
First, Hamilton	11 94	11 90	482 67	495 30	10 13	10 13
Harlem	3 27		24 25	238 46		
First, Holland	22 73	13 66	1,283 33	653 92	17 85	15 14
Third, Holland	48 67	10 67	1,865 33	933 97	21 33	8 73
Fourth, Holland	29 81		289 87	194 31		
Sixth, Holland				20		
Hudsonville			8 61			
First, Jamestown	13 65	29 75	797 43	656 36	10	12 91
Second, Jamestown	14 15		597 38	301 60	13 80	10 66
North Blendon		3	24 50	52 90		6
North Holland	19	15	423 96	247 93	13 52	13 53
Ottawa						
Overisel	43 23		1,860 50	1,161 33	22 86	22 86
South Blendon	14 38	4 53	141 77	139 00	9 52	11
Three Oaks			136 42	19 40	2 50	2 50
Vriesland		2 70	312 47	374 52	9 15	10
First, Zeeland	15		1,231 87	439 43	10	30
Second, Zeeland	15		1,820 35	1,318 93	25	20
Colonial M. Fest., Zeeland, Mich.			187 07	150		
W. M. Union			53 96			
N. Groenigen				3 47		
Beechwood				17 60		
Totals	\$310 09	\$108 48	12,533 32	\$8,856 29	\$195 51	\$203 30
CLASSIS OF HUDSON.						
Claverack	\$32 63	\$3 25	\$194 31	\$218 20	\$5 28	\$20
Gallatin	3 74		23 96	23 96	2 02	20

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CLASSIS OF HUDSON. (Continued).						
Germantown	5	2	149 07	95 76	6 02	18
Greenport	10 98		35	69 32	5 76	5 77
Hudson	26 54	24 07	385 60	417 46	42 46	26 54
Hudson, Hungarian						
Linthgo	5 30		136 56	218 34	19 21	23
Livingston Memorial	5	14 25	10	27 61		
Mellenville	9 50	13 21	176 13	93 52	6 33	6 33
Philmont	82 85	23 67	531 84	597 35	71 02	47 34
West Copake			21 19	5 86		
Greenport, Mt. Pleasant			12			
W. M. Union			9 39			
Totals	\$181 54	\$80 45	\$1,685 05	\$1,767 38	\$158 10	\$166 98
CLASSIS OF ILLINOIS.						
Bethany	\$20	\$5	\$1,027 66	\$899 65	\$28	\$40
Erglewood, Second	20		262 07			
Fairview	5	2	396 10	208 44	10	30
West Side, Hungarian						
Emmanuel			120	30		
Manito		1				
Northwestern	4	2	19	24	2	2
Pennsylvania Lane						
Raritan			13 75	20		
Spring Lake	1		35 75	30	1	1
Trinity	9 25	7 39	207 29	195 39	7 39	7 39
Kensington, Italian Mission			15			
Whiteside Miss. Fest.				132 42		
Totals	\$59 25	\$17 39	\$2,006 62	\$1,539 90	\$48 39	\$80 39
CLASSIS OF IOWA.						
Alton	\$27 66	\$4	\$963 31	\$376 37	\$22	\$23 76
Alvord	3 83	4 15		24 25	4 51	
Archer	5	5	127	90	14	3
Bethel, Leota	10	10 50	434 06	396 52	30	25
Bigelow					3 50	3 50
Boydton	43 15	30 60	1,560 08	608 77	51 47	66 24
Carmel	30 08	48 49	352 52	225 04	21 71	13
Chandler	8	3	267 04	200	7	6 50
Churchville			30 05	32		
Clara City	10		109 64	19 04		
Doon	5 73	6 02	60 40	74 38	5 66	4 39
Edgerton	20	9 50	294 19	201 64		20
Free Grace, Middleburg	15	15	345 50	299	20	40
Friesland						
Fruitland Mesa						
Holland	25	24	1,297 38	1,316 33	25	25
Hospers	20	15	495	547 80	20	20
Hull	47 37	29 73	2,108 94	918 06	96 03	105 91
Inwood	23 19		192 13	159 19	12 75	8 13
Ireton		5	38 61	46 61	3	5 40
Lester	10 02		23 72	23 82		
Luctor	13 26	5	145 31	133 55		7 59
Maurice	38 45	23 76	547 18	591 87	47 15	54 79
Matlock	8 49	2	15 75	21 06	6 38	7 03
Melvin		1 50	22 93			
Newkirk	53 35		1,708 76	991 14	46 19	20
Orange City, First	67 13	10	2,677 12	1,005 01	78 58	79 90
Pella	15 42	13	240 06	347 92	12 38	14 50
Prairie View	19 56		314 43	261 92	33 14	14 13
Rock Rapids	6 46	4 50	42 28	22 65	8 43	20
Rock Valley	17 10	19 16	346 75	249 29	14 10	18 80
Roseland	15 44	13 97	174 57	176 37	7 07	7 08

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CLASSIS OF IOWA. (Continued).						
Rotterdam	5 43		42 89	45 09	6	6 44
Sanborn	9	4 28	101 54	118 81	5 26	5 26
Sandstone	3 25	3 10	20 25	24 48	4 75	3
Sheldon	10	15	220	308 93	20	10
Sibley	3 51		5 75	5 75		
Silver Creek	14	18	233 30	136 50	13	13
Sioux Center, First	70	30	2,561 80	2,476 35	175	50
Sioux Center, Central	28 62		1,056 53	883 63	23 20	27 16
Sioux City			13 80	103 87		
Spring Creek						
Steen	14 07	9 31	242 92	207 56	16 56	9 46
Twin Brooks	4 80		3 80	13 93	3 05	3 05
Volga	3 09	2 07	4 20	5 33	2 04	2 04
Wichita				15		
Sandham Mem'l			9 05			
Valley Springs, S. D.			35 50	78 50		
Sioux Co. Churches			2,896 48	1,629 67		
W. M. Union			40 02			
Fairview				38 11		
Herman				45		
Ellsworth				20		
Totals	\$724 46	\$384 64	22,422 54	15,513 11	\$858 91	\$747 66
CLASSIS OF KINGSTON.						
Bloomington	\$15 65	\$5	\$160 39	\$51 97	\$5	\$20
The Clove	2 63	76	93 64	81 52	2 63	1 51
Dashville			81 80	42 50		
Gardiner			3	21		
Guilford			159 55	132		
Hurley		8	304 87	247 59	3	5
Kingston, Fair Street	10 98	3 73	4	7 47	7 47	
Krumville	5		4 50	10 50		
Lyonsville	2		7 50		2	
New Paltz			670	133 95		31 93
Rochester	2 50	2 50	79 03	19 80	2 50	2 50
Rosendale				1 18		
Rosendale Plains		2 01	2 82	3 63		
St. Remy			11 50	20 13		
Marbletown		6	87 86	56	5	7 68
Allgerville			6 83	6 82		
W. M. Union			18			
Marbletown, North			26 80	27 40	1 42	1 06
Totals	\$42 76	\$28	\$1,718 09	\$859 99	\$29 02	\$77 15
CLASSIS NORTH LONG ISLAND.						
Jamaica	\$36 35	\$24 65	\$1,055 80	\$679 25	\$20 86	\$40
Newtown		21	72 50	91 20		
Oyster Bay	10	5	45	47 50	7 50	5
North Hempstead	7 50	7 50	85	82 50	7 50	7 50
Williamsburgh			163 25	81 15		
Astoria	6 87	9 71	184 83	132 24	6 46	6 46
Flushing	40		1,465 60	600	100	20
Kent St., Brooklyn	6 02	4 82	14 20	19 08	2 80	2 80
South Bushwick	15 85	18 65	260 46	52 25	128 39	76 59
Astoria, German 2nd	18 83	4 41	18	72	9	9
Queens	11 48	5 50	241 65	289 88	7	20
German Ev., Brooklyn	20		27 75	27 75	15	5
Sayville			39 09	77 38		20
Locust Valley			62 72			
College Point	59 71	41 19	339 63	239 90	65 83	59 04
First, Long Island City	3	3	90 92	238 27	2	25
Bushwick						

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CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND. (Continued).						
German Ev., Jamaica						
Hicksville						
German, Newtown				25		
Steinway	5		10	5		
Church of Jesus				40		
New Hyde Park		5	31 78	52 06		
Sunny Side	1	1	2	6	1	1
Winfield	5		10	42	5	5
German Ev., Far Rockaway				10		
Valley Stream						
German Ev., Manhattan						
W. M. Union			30			
Totals	\$246 61	\$151 43	\$4,250 08	\$2,909 91	\$378 34	\$302 39
CLASSIS SOUTH LONG ISLAND.						
First Reformed, Brooklyn			\$853	\$910 70		
Flatbush, First	\$52	\$23	924 94	1,706 02	\$67	\$87
Grace Reformed	75	25	1,892 51	400	75	100
New Utrecht	20	40 25	529 60	495 40	25	25
Gravesend, First	42 84		470 68	307 27	10 86	10 86
Flatlands	15 50	25	196 59	326 73	20 60	30
New Lots				20		
Forest Park		10	50	47		
South Brooklyn		15	337	435	25	25
Twelfth Street	24 84		145 69	42 68	20	20
Bethany	12 50	7 50	254 63	124 81		
Church-on-the-Heights	37 95	12 65	1,685 35	490 36	45 25	45 25
New Brooklyn	10		30	35	5	5
Second, Flatbush						
Canarsie	5	5	22	10	10	10
St. Thomas, U. S. A.				15		
Ocean Hill	5 08	7 58	41 26	43 16	5 32	5 32
Edgewood	8	8	150	187	8	
Ridgewood			10	30	2 50	2 50
Woodlawn	25	10	133 87	105 37	25	
Greenwood Heights	10	10	86 90	58 49	10	10
Bay Ridge	40 30	20	211 05	172 90	40 32	40 33
Gravesend Neck				12 17		
Barren Island						
Little Neck				25		
Herkimer Street		4 68				
W. M. Union			43 10			
Conference				50		
Flatlands Neck				24 32		
Totals	\$384 01	\$223 66	\$8,068 17	\$6,074 38	\$394 85	\$416 26
CLASSIS OF MICHIGAN.						
Allendale				\$28		
American Reformed, Hamilton		\$13 19	\$145 51	79 25		
Bethany, Grand Rapids	\$24	5	1,018 34	657 15	\$15	\$15
Bethany, Kalamazoo	15		399 20	423 54	15	
Bethel, Grand Rapids	5	3	68 75	50 36	2	3
Calvary, Grand Rapids	10	5	155 07	16 34	5	
Grace, Grand Rapids		35 53	566	285		
Grand Haven, Second	10	5	332 60	179 97	8	8
Grand Rapids, First	59 88	15 88	596 94	351 24	61 66	64 91
Grand Rapids, Second	87 27	17 57	1,536 29	1,076 78	41 72	41 72
Hope, Holland	38 32	35 28	1,407 97	744 57	39 52	34 06
Immanuel, Grand Rapids		20	203 62	165	5	5
Kalamazoo, Second	10	5	1,516 31	577 50	7 50	7 50
Knapp Avenue, Grand Rapids		3 45	15			
Muskegon, Second	7 10		291 77	465 02	14 30	

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CLASSIS OF MICHIGAN. (Continued).						
North Park, Kalamazoo	11 37	8 52	256 05	233 34	8 52	8 52
Trinity, Holland	26 32	5 58	405 63	285	6 76	6 75
Trinity, Grand Rapids	10	4	102		8	8
Muskegon, Elizabeth St.				20		
Grand Rapids, Zion			20 75	121 21		10
Kalamazoo Mission Fest.			70	50		
New Gronigen			3			
W. M. Union			53 95			
Grand Rapids Miss. Fest.				34 06		
Totals	\$314 26	\$182	\$9,164 75	\$5,833 33	\$237 98	\$212 47
CLASSIS OF MONMOUTH.						
First, Freehold	\$6 73	\$10 47	\$160 11	\$70 93	\$4 92	
Second, Freehold	53 70	21 51	482 58	359 83	24 16	\$24 16
Red Bank			67	104	12	12
Keyport	10	6	59	82	10	10
Asbury Park	5 55	1 85	42 99	43 05	8 85	6 01
Colt's Neck	10	5	70	65 13	7	5
Long Branch			18 55	5 55		
Holmdel	5		73 60	50 14	5	4 68
Middletown	9 63	6 21	114 41	75 08		
W. M. Union			16 99			
Totals	\$100 61	\$51 04	\$1,105 23	\$855 71	\$80 38	\$64 89
CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY.						
Amsterdam, First	\$28 56	\$13 78	\$134 03	\$130 77	\$22 26	\$17 76
Amsterdam, Trinity	12 14	13 20	144 92	161 13	7 28	4 86
Auriesville			4	5		
Canajoharie	3 83	5 02	129 12	74 37	11 81	23 80
Cicero						
Columbia			2	3		
Cranesville				43 71		
Currytown			8 15			
Ephratah		2 50				
Florida			146 68	78 25		5
Fonda	11 87	11 19	120 81	188 81		30
Fort Herkimer						
Fort Plain	26 83	3	151 19	162 25	16 54	19 81
Fultonville	13	8	74	65 66	10	20
Glen			23	31 70		
Hagaman	14 19	14 19	194 99	179 67	19 87	19 87
Herkimer			43	88 19		
Interlaken	16 62		175 59	142 96	19 40	14 85
Johnstown	9	3 40	78 77	65 42	4 40	4 40
Lodi	10	10	150 96	160 21	5	5
Manheim			4 50	1 60		
Mapletown						
Mohawk			5 35	1 68		
Naumburg			10	10		
Owasco	6 35	4 17	35 98	35 46	3 65	10
Owasco Outlet			12 50	12 50		
St. Johnsville	15	5	61	100	10	5
Sprakers	1 52	1 52	54 49	11 76	1 52	
Stone Arabia						
Syracuse, First			159	60		
Syracuse, Second	5	5	80	90	5	5
Thousand Islands			21	21	10	
Utica	11 93	12 60	179 58	180 11	7 16	4 77
West Leyden			36	20		
Sammons ville, N. Y., Union ..			6 39	6 00		
W. M. Union			19			
East Herkimer				4 25		
Totals	\$185 84	\$115 57	\$2,266 00	\$2,135 46	\$153 89	\$190 12

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CLASSIS OF NEWARK.						
Belleville	\$20 40	\$22 92	\$109 99	\$146 49	\$20 40	\$20 40
First, Newark	25	3	180	365	25	
First, Irvington			20	68 25		
New York Ave., Newark			32 27	64 18	1 85	1 85
Franklin, Nutley	25	10	186 95	215 36	32 96	10
North, Newark	77 01	19 25	3,140 13	2,325 71	279 51	279 50
West, Newark	14		20	20	6	6
Clinton Ave., Newark	34 67	9 35	951 78	639 46	71 30	61 30
Trinity, Newark		80	54 98	37 16	2 82	2 83
Linden	6	19 75	80 55	52 03	5 50	10
Christ Church, Newark			55 21	51 05		
Brookdale	2 07		15 57	23 23		
Orange, First	15 95		707 23	188 97	17 45	17 45
Trinity, Plainfield	24	13 40	757	484 75	13 60	34
German, Plainfield						
Montclair Heights	10	10	309	299 40	80	50
Hyde Park	13 43	6 70	135 91	184 85	6 71	6 72
Netherwood		4 12	4 12	18 26		
Marconner			5	5		
Second, Irvington			11 54	11 13		
W. M. Union			106			
Totals	\$207 53	\$119 29	\$6,883 23	\$5,200 28	\$563 10	\$530 05
CLASSIS OF NEW BRUNSWICK.						
First, New Brunswick	\$24	\$12	\$412	\$467 50	\$24	\$48
Six Mile Run	9 63	8 23	630 60	293 89	11 20	11 89
Hillsborough			249 45	288 96	20 38	33 58
Middlebush		33 77	94 59	139 59		5
Griggstown	3 59	7 25	204 71	100	11 62	5 13
Second, New Brunswick	25	25	1,134 80	646 20	25	30
Bound Brook	5 32	12 57	92 90	86 28	5 32	5 32
East Millstone	6 56	20 33	61 81	91 50	6 38	4 65
Metuchen	41 40	24 84	422 87	352 09	24 83	20
Suydam St., New Brunswick	31 64	12 71	925 91	328 13	53 08	62 74
Highland Park	5		90 10	156 45	3 50	3 50
Rocky Hill		2 50	69 10	71 36		
Spotswood	7	10	59	51 90	15	10
St. Paul's, Perth Amboy	4	2	6	22	3	2
Belle Mead, Pleasant View		5	50			
W. M. Union			42 35			
Totals	\$163 14	\$176 20	\$4,546 19	\$3,095 85	\$203 31	\$241 81
CLASSIS OF NEW YORK.						
New York Collegiate	\$515	\$234 72	19,272 46	16,632 92	1,110 04	\$326 55
The Marble						
St. Nicholas						
The West End						
The Middle		12 75				
North Chapel						
Fort Washington			110 63	158 00		
Thirty-fourth Street	15	15	191	160	40	40
Knox Memorial		40	566 29	478 32	10	10
Vermilye Chapel	10		70	25		
Sunshine Chapel				2 00		
Harlem	49 35	2	884 55	1,309 66	40 63	32 93
Elmendorf Chapel		46 69	302 24	388 35		14 83
Staten Island	29 05	39 90	329 75	308 30	5 25	30
Fordham Manor			63 75	60		
Sixty-eight Street, German	4	5	65	75	10	10
Manor Chapel	7	7	60 39	50 64		
Brighton Heights	51	21 65	811 54	349 51	36 23	36 22

CLASSES.	Education.	Publication and Bible-school Work.	Foreign Missions.	Domestic Missions and Church Building Fund.	Disabled Ministers' Fund.	Widows' Fund.
CLASSIS OF NEW YORK. (Continued).						
Zion, German	20	10	70	75	25	10
West Farms	4 59	2 50	24 97	7 66	2 50	2 50
Huguenot Park		3 50		10		
Mott Haven	37 12	23 20	164 13	161 96	23 20	23 20
Melrose, German	11	3	13	18	10	10
Fourth German	20	20	91	123	30	30
Union of High Bridge	11 79	10	346 69	334 85	20 55	14 54
Ave. B, German						
St. Peter's German Ev.						
Grace	10	10	150	150	10	10
Hamilton Grange	28 70	28 70	317 88	193 85	24 60	24 60
Anderson Memorial	4 34	4 34	40 23	62 23	4 34	4 34
Church-of-the-Comforter	10 87	10 87	79 94	85 73	10 87	10 86
Bethany Memorial	5	15	279 50	185 32	7 50	7 50
Mariner's Harbor			40 19	64 15		
Trinity of Belfast, Me.						
Columbian Memorial (Indian)			35 68	105 14		
Vermilye Memorial			18 50	2 50		
McKee, Ky.			5	10 57		
Annvile, Ky.						
Gray Hawk Mission				8		
Winnebago, Neb., (Indian)						
Mescalero, N. M., (Indian)						
Clover Road Chapel				61 78		
Clove Valley Chapel			10			
Totals	\$843 81	\$565 82	24,414 31	21,557 44	\$1,429 71	\$648 07
CLASSIS OF ORANGE.						
Bloomingsburgh				\$38		
Calicoon						
Claraville						
Cuddebackville			\$12 70			
Deer Park	\$10	\$4	338 59	251 09	\$20	\$20
Ellenville	29 79	23 59	358 75	404 18	19 46	39 45
Fallsburgh	15 81	5 09	35	31 06	11	11
Grahamsville	1	2	10	16 25	2	2
Kerhonkson				2 50		
Mamakating			47 50	17 50		
Minisink						
Montgomery	4 40	8 40	264	32 90	14 40	8 40
Newburgh	30 95	15 35	494 54	334 09	41 27	51 59
New Hurley	6 40	1	78 50	73	3 24	2 40
New Prospect	7 03		104 42	94 50	4 67	
Shawangunk	11 40	2 47	67 42	114 55	8 39	3 98
Unionville			7 50	7 50		
Walden	33 28		615	196 86	24 96	16 64
Wallkill	40 18	4 02	207 28	177 70	12 05	8 04
Walpack Lower			5 50	5 49		
Walpack Upper						
Warwarsing			11	11		
West End		2	18	28	5	5
W. M. Union			17			
Newburgh, Italian				16		
Totals	\$190 24	\$67 92	\$2,692 70	\$1,912 17	\$166 44	\$168 50
CLASSIS OF PALISADES.						
New Durham	\$49	\$110	\$1,060 77	\$647 23	\$25	\$25
First, Hoboken			6	50 50	15	4
North Bergen	32	45	245	250	25	12
German Ev., Hoboken			80	120	10	20
Coytesville	3 83	2 68	9 86	52 61	1 67	3 93
Guttenberg	15	8	50 50	60 50	7	7

CLASSES.	Education.	Publication and Bible-school Work.	Foreign Missions.	Domestic Mis-sions and Church Building Fund.	Disabled Minis-ters' Fund.	Widows' Fund.
CLASSIS OF PALISADES. (Continued).						
Central Ave., Jersey City	48 77	24 95	280 69	350 61	24 95	24 95
Secaucus		5 10		20		
First, West Hoboken	30 30	30	845	356	8 11	18 57
Trinity, West New York	2	5	104 50	154 50	2	2
Woodcliff-on-Hudson	9 75	21 70	193 30	258 35	9 75	7 80
W. M. Union			75 82			
Hope, West Hoboken				10		
Totals	\$181 65	\$252 43	\$2,951 44	\$2,330 30	\$128 48	\$125 25
CLASSIS OF PARAMUS.						
Acquackanonk	\$248 14	\$88 88	\$2,596	\$1,652 55	\$173 14	\$143 52
Athenia	13 78	10 96	155 40	131 86	8 19	5 46
Clarkstown			29 77	22 78		
Clifton	25 15	25 15	259 17	313 43	45 42	30
Clifton, Holland			45	80 27		20
Garfield		5	6	35		
Glen Rock		4 87	18 37	18 37		20
Hawthorne	14		103 20	119	8	8
Hohokus	2	13 30	34 36	31 35	2	
Lodi, First Holland		5	96 58	89 67	15	15
Lodi, Second			25			
North Paterson			9 62	15 73		
Paramus	64 29	8 13	306 86	356 19		7 84
Pascack			206 86	148 36	5	
Passaic, First Holland	21 64	5	1,078 95	399 51	23 91	20
Passaic, North	24 73	49 46	847 42	518 13	19 79	19 78
Paterson, Broadway	32 40	10	660 60	404 06	32 42	32 40
Paterson, Church-of-the-Covenant	28 72	37 14	125 73	96 12	28 52	21 90
Paterson, First Holland		25	30	80		30
Paterson, Second	15	30	257 82	158 10	28	30
Piermont	4 40	12	54	73	15	15
Ramapo	12 69		142 12	89 41	6 33	6 33
Ridgewood	56	15	915 10	670 81	50	146
Saddle River	8 11		22 63	26 43		
Spring Valley	18 88		266 01	175 83	12 60	
Tappan		5	120 88	106 88	11 50	11 50
Waldwick			2	3 50		
Warwick	53 74	17 09	430 49	539 09	26 31	26 32
West New Hempstead	3 35		27	22 26		
Wortendyke, First Holland	21 17		73 22	22 47	11 85	15 55
Wortendyke, Trinity			34	32		
Upper Ridgewood Com.	3	8	45 03	73 03	3	
Passaic, Lakeview Ave.		5 10		29 37		
Anonymous		1				
W. M. Union			57 73			
Totals	\$671 19	\$381 08	\$9,082 92	\$6,530 56	\$533 82	\$629 60
CLASSIS OF PASSAIC.						
Boonton	\$17 19		\$59 20	\$42 93		
Fairfield			2 30	3 40		
Little Falls, First	34 04	\$8 68	269 59	290 50	\$29 04	\$16 54
Little Falls, Second	10	3	64	53	11	
Montville						
Mountain Lakes		23	77	78 75	10	
Peoples' Park	10	2	96 65	33 50		40
Pompton			172 61	139 69	13 50	
Pompton Plains	15	21 29	296 26	346 10		20
Por ds						
Preakness	2 37	8 50	24 13	31 81		
Riverside	7	10	82 40	143 83	12	5
Sixth Holland	25	24 99	1,555	325 94	25	68 68
Totowa, First	25		775	10	15	15

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CLASSIS OF PASSAIC. (Continued).						
Union Reformed	25	15	295	160	15	30
Wanaque	5	5	10	47	5
Wyckoff .....	.....	.....	36	52	.....	.....
W. M. Union .....	.....	.....	17 03	.....	.....	.....
Totals	\$180 60	\$121 46	\$3,832 17	\$1,758 45	\$130 54	\$200 22
CLASSIS OF PELLA.						
Bethany	\$10 13	.....	\$50 22	\$235 50	\$5 48	\$5 48
Bethel .....	.....	\$6 25	61 39	170 49	5 20	6 31
Central (Oskaloosa) .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ebenezer	17 19	5	415 16	405 77	5 34	.....
Eddyville	7 40	5	60 75	56 15	5	5
Galesburg .....	.....	.....	13 50	33 43	.....	.....
Killduff	5 70	5 65	60 35	47 21	2 88	2 88
Muscatine	14 09	.....	60 90	15 91	5	5
New Sharon	9 30	5 68	74 81	99 40	7 28	7 27
Otley	20	20	442 85	451 96	40	20
Pella, First	63	84	1,037 73	845 53	63	83
Pella, Second	55	10	739	817	50	50
Pella, Third	25	10	1,232 50	803 87	20	40
Prairie City .....	.....	.....	94 85	96 63	7 91	6 10
Sully .....	.....	4 02	35 72	20 07	6 50	.....
East Prairie .....	.....	.....	125	55 50	.....	.....
Pella, Ia., Mission Fest. ....	.....	.....	497 91	497 91	.....	.....
W. M. Union .....	.....	.....	49 50	.....	.....	.....
Totals	\$226 81	\$155 60	\$5,052 14	\$4,652 33	\$223 59	\$231 04
CLASSIS OF PHILADELPHIA.						
N. & S. Hampton	\$39 05	.....	\$176 45	\$133 24	\$4 61	\$4 61
Harlingen	12 34	\$23 23	183 99	252 13	.....	.....
Neshanic	21 16	.....	195 29	230 54	6 11	7 45
Philadelphia, First	32 56	15	212 05	123 35	19 47	19 47
Philadelphia, Second .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Philadelphia, Fourth	53 74	26 87	217 45	190 58	26 87	26 87
Blawenburgh	4 06	1 56	68 96	66 46	7 42	4 24
Stanton .....	.....	.....	19	35	.....	.....
Clover Hill	5	.....	31 65	21 43	8 45	5
Philadelphia, Fifth	15	5	65	30	15	20
Addisville	15 60	3 90	118 60	118 16	7 80	3 90
Three Bridges	7	2	69 20	61 45	6	2
Philadelphia, Talmage	13 41	15	198 20	83 55	20	10
Timmons ville, S. C. ....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Florence, S. C. ....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Churchville .....	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	.....
Johnsville, Pa., S. S. ....	.....	.....	9 60	.....	.....	.....
W. M. Union .....	.....	.....	97	.....	.....	.....
Totals	\$218 92	\$96 56	\$1,662 44	\$1,346 33	\$121 73	\$103 54
CLASSIS PLEASANT PRAIRIE.						
Alexander	\$10	\$3 23	\$106 53	\$112 43	\$5	\$5
Aplington	47 80	.....	189 50	533 25	25	25
Baileyville	15	.....	71	144 19	15	20
Bristow	8	1	85	92 39	4	4
Buffalo Center	10	5	104 60	184	10	10
Dumont	5	.....	45	42 98	.....	.....
Ebenezer	10	10	179 40	140	20	10
Elim	8	6	52	62	5	5
Fairview	5	1	28 30	109 01	3 50	3 50
Forreston	70	20	357 65	425	40	20
Immanuel	19	87 38	215	30	30

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CLASSIS PLEASANT PRAIRIE. (Continued).						
Meservey	35 71	11	292 19	325 02	9 42	10
Monroe, Bethel Ger.	20			78 30	20	45
Parkersburg	15	10	173	366	20	
Pekin, Second			3			
Peoria	5	12 46	64 22	65 43	5 07	5 07
Ramsay	9 60	5	152 21	70	5	6
Silver Creek	30	5	396 15	525 71	30	
Stout	15 71	11 55	241 47	367 28	7	7
Washington	10		106	108	11	11
Wellsburg	30	20	70	305	30	60
Zion	19	2	141 20	149 46	50 45	3
Goodell Mission, Ia.			7			
Parkersburg, Md.				60 50		
Britt				27 75		
Total	\$397 82	\$123 24	\$2,952 80	\$4,508 70	\$345 44	\$278 57
CLASSIS OF POUGHKEEPSIE.						
Poughkeepsie	\$53 59	\$27 29	\$928 65	\$1,009 38	\$142 69	\$179 89
Fishkill	27 79		92 17	88 97	6 73	6 74
Hopewell	23 67	23 66	114 65	119 65	23 65	23 68
New Hackensack	10 80	10 68	131 79	76 99	11 11	11 60
Rhinebeck			233 20	125 50		
Beacon	29 27	29 63	327 44	318 95	40 38	43 65
Hyde Park			17 93	17 93		
Glenham						
Millbrook			119 86	157 76		
First Arlington			12	36		
Upper Red Hook	7 69	10 86	125 46	108 20	4 10	5 43
Emmanuel, Poughkeepsie ..						
Totals	\$152 81	\$102 12	\$2,103 15	\$2,059 33	\$228 66	\$270 99
CLASSIS OF RARITAN.						
First, Raritan	\$19 03		\$541 48	\$342 78	\$48 21	\$40
Readington	10 20	\$8 72	149 09	114 60	9 75	5 67
Bedminster	66 25		414 46	247 32	26 20	25 03
Lebanon	7 60	6 38	261 59	225 80	7 60	7 60
Rockaway			47 96	62 82		
North Branch	10 40	10 47	211 33	225 46	3 30	3 30
Second, Raritan	75 40	104 25	849 91	746 90	94 25	75 40
Peapack	8 12	60	50 35	57 35	2 10	1
South Branch	6	4	109 65	156 74	6	3
Third, Raritan	19 25	21 07	187 63	215 54	9 65	9 65
Pottersville			20 20	35 38		
High Bridge		8 53	48 85	91 07	2 80	
Annandale			12 74	15 71	5	7 50
Fourth, Raritan				9 50		
W. M. Union			254 13			
New Center				46 76		
Totals	\$222 25	\$164 02	\$3,159 37	\$2,593 73	\$214 86	\$178 15
CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER.						
Blooming Grove	\$3 50	\$4	\$43 90	\$66 95	\$3 50	\$3 50
Castleton	5	5	125	180 03	5	20
Chatham	13 50		131 50	101 90	5 23	20
Ghent, First	1	2 50	60 56	37 95	1	
Ghent, Second	4 10	2 16	121 27	80 78	1 86	2 21
Greenbush	7	5	135 50	123 65		
Kinderhook	8 02		497 61	340 90	41 68	
Nassau	14 75		132 65	124 73	8 85	
New Concord			2	4 26	1 60	1 60

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CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER. (Continued).						
Rensselaer, First	1	5 14	36 06	30	3	3
Schodack			32 69	19 25		
Schodack Landing			5	18 45		
Stuyvesant	1 76	2 10	10 88	15 49	2 28	75
Stuyvesant Falls						
West Ghent			2			
De Forestville (Blooming Grove)			13 15			
W. M. Union			18 50			
Totals	\$59 63	\$25 90	\$1,368 27	\$1,144 34	\$74	\$51 06
CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER.						
Abbe	\$15	\$8	\$560	\$260	\$5	
Arcadia	7 15		47 67	52 80		\$8 81
Brighton	12 50	5	163 56	181 25	6 20	6 20
Buffalo	5	5	30	33 50	5	10
Clymer Hill	4 80	4 80	173 03	100 75	4 80	4 80
Cutting				17 19		
East Williamson	21 81	2	816 55	194 03		
First, Marion		5	177 50	42 66	5	
Second, Marion	19 37	13 83	255 50	197 77	11 05	19 37
Ontario	3 50	3 50	94 20	109 50	3 50	
Palmyra	5		92 50	133 29	5	5
Pultneyville	11	3	218 54	125	6 70	6 70
First, Rochester	12	3	338 65	105	6	6
Second, Rochester	19 16	3 15	436 98	91 20	9 57	19 57
Sodus	5	3 13	33 08	48 28		
Tyre			114	51		
Williamson	10 80	4 83	165 49	87 35	7 15	
Cl. of Rochester M. Fest.			150	131 82		
W. M. Union			127			
Totals	\$152 09	\$64 24	\$3,994 25	\$1,972 39	\$74 97	\$86 45
CLASSIS OF SARATOGA.						
The Boght	\$2	\$3	\$34 01	\$30 60	\$1 88	\$1 88
Huskirks	10		62 75	53 37	10	10
Cohoes	18 80	4 70	395	207 34	14 10	9 40
Easton						
Fort Miller		2 50	19 58	20	5	
Gansevoort	75	1 25	22 15	92 70	35	35
Greenwich	31 20	7 49	240 36	192 73	35 48	14 97
Northumberland			51 67	26 67		
Saratoga			28 95	62 55	4 80	4
Schaghticoke			5	9		
West Troy, North	21 37	9 03	146 41	151 38	16 47	16 47
Wynantskill			20	25		
W. M. Union			10			
Totals	\$84 12	\$27 97	\$1,035 88	\$871 34	\$88 08	\$57 07
CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.						
Altamont	\$13 64	\$2	\$115 94	\$103 29	\$5 66	\$20
Amity (Visscher's Ferry)			30 02	17 52		
Glenville, First	2 55		87	39 60		
Helderberg	5 65	6 70	65 01	84 20	8 74	8 89
Lisha's Kill		4 75	58	59 29		20
Niskayuna	25	9 59	239	207 05	10	20
Princeton			55 70	47 14		
Rotterdam, First			131 59	118 59		
Rotterdam, Second	10		19 85	27 91	10	
Schenectady, First	21 71	19 62	374 20	199 79	13 14	13 13
Schenectady, Second			409 75	160 34		

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CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY. (Continued).						
Schenectady, Mont Pleasant	27	13	198 24	188 25	5	3
Schenectady, Bellevue	82 70		598 55	341 59		
Scotia	10	19 62	273 17	187 18	5	20
Woodlawn		9 62	34 75	41 61	10 23	
Hope Chapel S. S.			10			
W. M. Union			63 20			
So. Princetown, Second					4	
Totals	\$198 25	\$84 90	\$2,763 97	\$1,813 35	\$71 77	\$105 02
CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE.						
Beaverdam				\$57		
Berne			\$76 25	30	\$8 59	
Cobleskill	\$14 77	\$8 10	73 06	91 34	9 96	\$8 30
Gilboa			2 75			
Grand Gorge			21 28	21 28		
Howe's Cave, First			19 50	14 50		
Howe's Cave, Second	4	3 25	48	42	2	2
Lawyersville	2	3	75 60	80 21	2	2
Middleburgh	4 41	5	82 68	58 88	10	5
North Blenheim	11		5	5		
Prattsville				58		
Schoharie		12 38	87 20	42 21	4 15	5 90
Sharon Center		6	18 83	45 73		
South Gilboa				8 50		
West Berne			7			
W. M. Union			10 70			
Totals	\$36 18	\$37 73	\$527 85	\$554 65	\$36 70	\$23 20
CLASSIS OF ULSTER.						
Blue Mountain	\$3			\$25		
Church of the Comforter	14	\$25 68	\$66 73	82 59	\$19	\$14
Esopus			17 30	6 60		
Flatbush			18 60	18 34		
High Woods		1 70	6 88		3	2 15
Jay Gould Memorial			47 90	18 86		
Kaatsban		7 64	38 35			
Kingston, First	62 08	8 85	384 45	581 66	30	30
Plattekill		3 18	18 04	17 19		2 91
Port Ewen	6 75	15	36 80	49 40	10 33	
Saugerties	10	8 61	180 95	170 95	20	20
Shandaken						
Shokan	3	6	24	21	3	3
West Hurley	1 06		7	1 07		
Woodstock	3 88		16	19 70	1 13	
Rev. and Mrs. Geo. W. Gulick		5			3 51	
W. M. Union			2 84			
Totals	\$103 77	\$81 56	\$865 84	\$1,012 36	\$89 97	\$72 06
CLASSIS OF WESTCHESTER.						
Bronxville	\$25		\$974 25	\$613 52	\$62 97	\$12 50
Cortlandtown	7	\$3	126 81	138 12	10	20
Crescent Place				45		
Greenburgh	32	10	175	135	28	28
Greenville	2 75		39 60	55 79		
Hastings	15		20	20		
Hungarian Peekskill						
Mount Vernon	29 13	4 57	321 37	274 45	32 93	19 79
Mile Square, Yonkers	8	2	31	69	3	2
Nyack	87 76		367 16	433 68	49 52	33 41
Park Hill	33 75	5 63	735 41	520 09	16 83	16 87

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CLASSIS OF WESTCHESTER. (Continued).						
Peekskill, 1st Van Nest	15	5	18 60	28 60	5	5
Scarsdale					8 60	
Tarrytown, First	69 30	28 45	431 60	341 60	109 40	54 55
Tarrytown, Second			158 60	96 63	8 03	8 03
Unionville	2 35		31 67	27 49	1 48	2 65
Yonkers, First			203 08	143 57		
Hawthorne		1 96				
W. M. Union			36 28			
Totals	\$327 04	\$60 61	\$3,670 41	\$2,942 54	\$335 81	\$201 06
CLASSIS OF WISCONSIN.						
Second Englewood				\$232 48		
Alto	\$70 70	\$5	\$1,894 55	1,059 13		
Baldwin	20 80	10 50	453 15	225 60	\$25 65	\$25 95
Cedar Grove			625 33	519 93	17	30
Forestville	3	3 06	14 27	18 30	5 10	4
Franklin						
Friesland	33	11	399 17	174	30	20
Gibbsville	29 37	8	673 28	319 17	11 65	11 66
Greenleafston	24 79		477 89	410 31		35 46
Hingham	13 50	10 80	299 76	192 94	17 65	15 15
Milwaukee	26 96	13 82	519 03	235 12	27 51	22 75
Oostburg	10	15	192 60	149 04	5	10
Randolph		12 18	85 10		10	7 44
Sheboygan	9 90	4	113 22	92 61	3 10	3 10
Sheboygan Falls			25 50	25 75	3 72	7 72
Vesper			5 22	20 94		
Waupun	24 98	24 52	882 14	550 49	26 66	46 78
Sheboygan Co. M. Fest.			114 16	85		
Whiteside Co. M. Fest.			161 85	241 51		
W. M. Union			41 19	105		
Totals	\$267	\$117 88	\$6,977 41	\$4,657 32	\$183 04	\$240 01

PARTICULAR SYNODS.	Education.	Publication and Bible-school Work.	Foreign Missions.	Domestic Missions and Church Building Fund.	Disabled Ministers Fund.	Widows' Fund.
CLASSES OF P. S. NEW YORK.						
Hudson	\$181 54	\$80 45	\$1,685 05	\$1,767 38	\$158 10	\$166 98
Kingston	42 76	28	1,718 09	859 99	29 02	77 15
North Long Island	246 61	151 43	4,250 08	2,909 91	378 34	302 39
South Long Island	384 01	223 66	8,068 17	6,074 38	394 85	416 26
New York	843 81	565 82	24,414 31	21,557 44	1,420 71	648 07
Orange	190 24	67 92	2,692 70	1,912 17	166 44	168 50
Poughkeepsie	152 81	102 12	2,103 15	2,059 33	228 66	270 99
Westchester	227 04	60 61	3,670 41	2,942 54	335 81	201 06
Totals	\$2,368 82	\$1,280 01	\$48,601 96	\$40,083 14	\$3,111 93	\$2,251 40
CLASSES OF P. S. ALBANY.						
Albany	\$359 79	\$90 70	\$4,879 65	\$3,306 13	\$263 27	\$173 17
Green	55 55	62 06	1,122 42	1,056 29	69 87	86 31
Montgomery	185 84	115 57	2,266	2,135 46	153 89	190 12
Rensselaer	59 63	25 90	1,368 27	1,144 34	74	51 06
Rochester	152 09	64 24	3,994 25	1,972 39	74 97	86 45
Saratoga	84 12	27 97	1,035 88	871 34	88 08	57 07
Schenectady	198 25	84 90	2,763 97	1,813 35	71 77	105 02
Schoharie	36 18	37 73	527 85	554 65	36 70	23 20
Ulster	103 77	81 56	865 84	1,012 36	89 97	72 06
Totals	\$1,235 22	\$590 63	\$18,824 13	\$13,866 31	\$922 52	\$844 46
CLASSES OF P. S. CHICAGO.						
Cascades	\$50 10	\$40 70	\$568 80	\$798 38	\$55 89	\$75 90
Chicago	299 37	133 01	8,248 79	4,449 66	241 06	235 97
Dakota	186 74	114 75	4,711 88	3,502 43	161 72	167 52
Germania	96 16	76 67	789 82	1,646 26	146 74	114 45
Grand River	306 21	121 46	10,830 02	7,366 85	217 52	269 57
Holland	310 09	108 48	12,533 32	8,856 29	195 51	203 30
Illinois	59 25	17 39	2,006 62	1,549 90	65 49	97 49
Iowa	724 46	384 64	22,422 54	15,678 64	858 91	747 66
Michigan	314 26	182	9,164 75	5,833 33	237 98	212 47
Pella	226 81	155 60	5,052 14	4,688 78	223 59	231 04
Pleasant Prairie	397 82	123 24	2,952 80	3,490 71	345 44	278 57
Wisconsin	267	117 88	6,977 41	4,657 32	183 04	240 01
Totals	\$3,238 27	\$1,575 82	\$86,258 89	\$62,518 55	\$2,932 89	\$2,873 95
CLASSES OF P. S. NEW BRUNSWICK.						
Bergen	\$252 98	\$148 85	\$2,135 42	\$2,629 60	\$198 53	\$135 15
South Bergen	346 08	217 08	2,574 41	2,302 98	283 82	249 81
Monmouth	100 61	51 04	1,105 23	555 71	80 38	64 89
Newark	267 53	119 29	6,883 23	5,200 28	563 10	530 05
New Brunswick	163 14	176 20	4,546 19	3,095 85	203 21	241 81
Palisades	181 65	252 43	2,951 44	2,330 30	128 48	125 25
Paramus	671 19	381 08	9,082 92	6,530 56	533 82	629 60
Passaic	155 60	121 46	3,832 17	1,758 45	130 54	200 22
Philadelphia	218 92	96 56	1,662 44	1,346 33	121 73	103 54
Raritan	222 25	164 02	3,159 37	2,593 73	214 86	178 15
Totals	\$2,579 95	\$1,728 01	\$37,932 82	\$28,643 79	\$2,458 57	\$2,458 47
Grand totals	\$9,422 26	\$5,174 47	\$191,617 80	\$145,111 79	\$9,425 91	\$8,428 28

STATEMENT OF CONTRIBUTIONS MADE BY VARIOUS
CHURCHES AND INDIVIDUALS TO THE CLASSICAL
BOARD OF BENEVOLENCE DURING THE YEAR
ENDING MARCH 26, 1918.

These sums were contributed for the support of students in Hope College.

CLASSIS OF GRAND RIVER.

5th Ref. Church, Grand Rapids, Mich.....	\$30 00
Trinity Ref. Church, Grand Rapids, Mich....	4 00
9th Ref. Church, Grand Rapids, Mich.....	5 00
3rd Ref. Church, Grand Rapids, Mich.....	10 00
3rd Ref. Church, Kalamazoo, Mich.....	23 65
1st Ref. Church, Kalamazoo, Mich.....	15 00
4th Ref. Church, Grand Rapids, Mich.....	10 00
Ref. Church, Spring Lake, Mich.....	21 90
1st Ref. Church, Grand Haven, Mich.....	47 44
1st Ref. Church, Muskegon, Mich.....	13 50
Ref. Church, Decatur, Mich.....	4 00
8th Ref. Church, Grand Rapids, Mich.....	14 84
Ref. Church, Fremont, Mich.....	13 66
Ref. Church, Portage, Mich.	5 52
4th Ref. Church, Kalamazoo, Mich.....	10 00
Ref. Church, Coopersville, Mich.....	10 00
7th Ref. Church, Grand Rapids, Mich.....	5 00
Beverly Ref. Church, Grand Rapids, Mich....	3 89
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	\$247 40

CLASSIS OF MICHIGAN.

1st Ref. Church, Grand Rapids, Mich.....	\$61 79
Bethany Ref. Church, Grand Rapids, Mich..	24 00
2nd Ref. Church, Kalamazoo, Mich.....	10 00
2nd Ref. Church, Muskegon, Mich.....	7 95
2nd Ref. Church, Grand Rapids, Mich.....	56 27
North Park Ref. Church, Kalamazoo, Mich..	4 28
Classical Collection, Muskegon, Mich.....	5 86
Bethany Ref. Church, Kalamazoo, Mich.....	10 00
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	\$180 15

CLASSIS OF HOLLAND.

Ref. Church, Overisal	\$38 50
1st Ref. Church, Holland, Mich.	17 11
Hamilton Ref. Church, Hamilton, Mich.....	23 23

North Holland Ref. Church, Holland, Mich..	29 00	
Ref. Church, Vriesland, Mich.....	13 00	
3rd Ref. Church, Holland	32 00	
So. Blendon Ref. Church, So. Blendon, Mich.	25 30	
1st Ref. Church, Zeeland, Mich.....	105 00	
Calvary Ref. Church, Cleveland, Ohio.....	5 37	
Ref. Church, Ebenezer, Mich.....	11 40	
2nd Ref. Church, Zeeland	36 50	
Ref. Church, North Blendon	3 00	
2nd Ref. Church, Jamestown	13 72	
4th Ref. Church, Holland	21 75	
1st Ref. Church, Jamestown.....	20 00	
		<hr/> \$394 88

CLASSIS OF WISCONSIN.

Classical Collection	\$23 12	
L. C. West Side Ref. Church, Chicago, Ill..	6 50	
Ref. Church, Gibbsville, Wis.	24 50	
1st Ref. Church, Mt. Greenwood, Ill.....	7 25	
1st Ref. Church, Englewood, Ill.....	17 98	
Ref. Church, So. Holland, Ill.....	20 00	
Ref. Church, Fulton, Ill.....	20 93	
Ref. Church, Roseland, Ill.	103 11	
Ref. Church, Baldwin, Wis.	10 30	
Ref. Church, De Motte, Ind.....	14 40	
Ref. Church, Cedar Grove, Wis.	20 00	
Ref. Church, Greenleafston, Minn.	35 61	
Ref. Church, Milwaukee, Wis.	32 47	
Ref. Church, Gano, Ill.	12 70	
Ref. Church, Hingham, Wis.	13 40	
Ref. Church, Lansing, Ill.	18 00	
Ref. Church, Alto, Wis.	44 33	
		<hr/> \$424 60

CLASSIS OF ILLINOIS.

Classical Collection, Classis of Illinois.....	\$15 53	
Bethany Ref. Church, Chicago, Ill.....	19 65	
		<hr/> \$35 18

MISCELLANEOUS.

Nick Ettema, Blue Island, Ill.....	\$10 00
Ref. Church, Muscatine, Ia.	2 86
Emmanuel Ref. Church, Chicago, Ill.....	10 00

Ref. Church, Leota, Minn.	10 00
Ref. Church, Friesland, Wis.	16 00
Jacob Baar,	5 00
A Friend	6 00
Herman Ter Borg, Repayment.	20 00
Ref. Church, Morrison, Ill.	29 70
Broadway Ref. Church, Paterson, N. J.	38 59
Calvary Ref. Church, Cleveland, Ohio.	18 81
Ref. Church, So. Dakota	10 00
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	\$176 96
Total	<hr/>
	\$1,459 17

BOARD OF BENEVOLENCE OF THE PLEASANT PRAIRIE AND GERMANIA CLASSIS.

Receipts from April 1st, 1917, to March 31, 1918.

PLEASANT PRAIRIE CLASSIS.

Parkersburg—(Church and Sunday School) ..	\$30 74
Baileyville—(Church and Sunday School) ..	15 00
Stout—(Church and Sunday School)	16 42
Ebenezer—(Church and Sunday School)	17 50
Aplington—(Church and Sunday School)	30 00
Silvercreek—(Church and Sunday School) ..	35 44
Forreston—(Church and Sunday School)	33 19
Alexander—(Church and Sunday School) ..	8 06
Bristow—(Church and Sunday School)	34 80
Fairview—(Church and Sunday School)	8 22
Wellsburg—(Church and Sunday School)	27 31
Buffalo Center—(Church and Sunday School)	19 17
Zion—(Church and Sunday School)	18 20
Dumont—(Church and Sunday School)	12 75
Meservey—(Church and Sunday School)	34 91
Washington—(Church and Sunday School) ..	52 55
Monroe, Iowa—(Church and Sunday School)	23 80
Ramsay—(Church and Sunday School)	25 00
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	\$443 06

GERMANIA CLASSIS.

Chancellor—(Church and Sunday School)	\$10 00
Salem—(Church and Sunday School)	56 30
Clairmont Mission—(Church and S. School)	9 11

Dempster—(Church and Sunday School)....	15 00	
Bethania—(Church and Sunday School)....	20 00	
Lennox II—(Church and Sunday School)...	22 00	
		<hr/> \$132 41
Grand total		<hr/> \$575 47

G. ZINDLER,
Treasurer.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE NORTHWESTERN
CLASSICAL ACADEMY FROM APRIL 3, 1917, TO MARCH
31, 1918.

CONTINGENT FUND.

Receipts.

Balance, April 3, 1917.....	\$1,068 04
Board of Education, R. C. A.....	600 00
Miscellaneous	7 81
Individual gifts	190 00
Fees from students	1,638 00
Interest from Endowment Fund	2,343 89
Donations from Churches:	
Pella Classis	15 00
Cascades Classis	13 60
Dakota Classis	137 46
Iowa Classis	2,728 12
Total	<hr/> \$8,741 92

Expenditures.

Salaries:	
Janitors	\$480 00
Teachers	4,370 00
Light	12 90
Fuel	458 85
Printing	54 50
Library	55 00
Reading room	25 00
Postage	7 61
Repairs and Labor	191 75
Supplies	132 87

Contest and Commencement	8 72
Paving of streets	256 12
Miscellaneous	532 68
Balance, March 31, 1918.....	2,155 92
Total	<u>\$8,741 92</u>

APPORTIONMENT AND GIFTS OF THE CHURCHES OF THE IOWA CLASSIS.

Churches.	Apport'm't.	—Gifts—			Average.
		1915-16	1916-17	1917-18	
Alton	\$200 00	\$133 08	85 75	\$206 25	\$141 69
Alvord				5 00	2 50
Archer	15 00	5 00	7 00	14 00	8 66
Bethel	70 00		70 88	30 00	33 63
Bigelow	2 00	6 50		16 42	7 64
Boyden	200 00	100 00		113 00	71 00
Carmel	100 00	58 11	78 00	96 50	77 54
Chandler	5 00	5 00	5 00	7 00	5 66
Churchville ...	20 00	4 34	6 14		3 49
Clara City	2 00		13 00		4 33
Doon	10 00	5 18	10 79	8 70	8 22
Edgerton	30 00	26 10	28 10		18 06
Fairview					
Free Grace ...	200 00		85 50	76 25	53 92
Friesland and Sandstone ..	10 00	6 00	7 00		4 33
Fruitland Mesa					
Holland	150 00	71 66	73 32	26 88	57 29
Hospers	125 00	150 00	135 00	125 00	136 66
Hull	250 00	264 50	247 90	271 50	261 30
Inwood	10 00		4 10	5 80	3 30
Ireton	5 00	8 10	17 58	9 13	11 60
Lester					
Luctor	15 00	10 85	5 86	7 22	7 94
Matlock					
Melvin					
Maurice	200 00	400 70	48 32	180 50	209 84
Newkirk	250 00	401 38	434 75	101 25	312 46
Orange City ..	600 00	683 92	603 24	690 98	659 36
Pella, Neb.	30 00	14 04	14 34	11 72	13 37
Prairie View ..	45 00	9 15			3 05
Rock Rapids ..	5 00	10 00	5 54	6 00	7 18
Rock Valley ..	75 00	62 82	50 27	50 00	54 36

Roseland	20 00	9 35	24 93	17 52	17 27
Rotterdam, Kan.	10 00	5 50	6 94	3 80	5 41
Sanborn	5 00		16 89		5 63
Sheldon	100 00	68 23	73 30	73 50	71 68
Sibley					
Silver Creek ..	25 00	12 70	11 30	17 10	13 70
Sioux Cen., 1st	400 00	614 72	440 50	524 60	526 61
Sioux Cen., 2nd	100 00	21 77	49 50	11 00	27 42
Sioux City ...	2 00				
Spring Creek ..	5 00				
Steen	10 00	8 00	20 38	21 50	16 63
Twin Brooks .	2 00				
Valley Springs					
Volga	5 00	5 00	5 00		3 33
Wichita	2 00	13 50			4 50

Totals	\$3,312 00	\$3,195 20	\$2,686 12	\$2,728 12	\$2,869 81
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CONTRIBUTIONS FROM CHURCHES OF OTHER CLASSES

DAKOTA CLASSIS.

Castlewood S. S.	\$5 00
Classis, collections	35 00
Grand View	7 00
Marion	10 00
Monroe	28 18
Springfield	39 23
Westfield	13 05
Total	\$137 46

CASCADES CLASSIS.

North Yakima	\$13 60
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PELLA CLASSIS.

Pella, 2nd	\$15 00
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FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS OF THE CLASSICAL BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE NORTHWEST
FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1918.

The following contributions have been received:

Alton, Ia.	\$46 53
Archer, Ia.	6 50
Boyden, Ia.	31 04

Carmel, Ia.	56 16
Chandler, Minn.	8 00
Edgerton, Minn.	25 00
Holland, Nebr.	72 42
Hospers, Ia.	43 03
Hull, Ia.	101 00
Inwood, Ia.	13 41
Lester, Ia.	5 44
Luctor, Kans.	8 26
Maurice, First	72 82
Matlock, Ia.	8 84
Middleburg, Ia.	56 86
Newkirk, Ia.	43 22
Orange City, Ia.	119 53
Pella, Nebr.	16 33
Prairie View, Kans.	11 50
Rock Valley, Ia.	16 80
Sandstone, Minn.	7 00
Sheldon, Ia.	10 00
Sibley, Ia.	5 00
Silver Creek, Minn.	9 00
Sioux Center, First	113 19
Twin Brooks, S. D.	2 60
Classis of Iowa	28 57
Part. Repaym. Joe Doorneweerd	25 00
Part. Repaym. A. C. Kleinjan	25 00
Interest	25 70
Total	\$1,013 75

ARTICLE XIX.

CHURCH GOVERNMENT.

REPORT OF 1918 OF THE COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF
THE CONSTITUTION OF THE REFORMED CHURCH
IN AMERICA.

June 6th, 1918.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America:

Fathers and Brethren: The Committee on the Revision of the Constitution, continued by vote of the Synod to consider and report on proposed amendments thereto (Minutes, 1913, page 835; 1916, page 860), presents the following report to the General Synod of 1918:

I. INTRODUCTORY.

The present text of the Constitution was adopted and declared in 1916 (Minutes, 1916, page 858).

A number of proposed amendments to the revised and present text were incidents of the submission of such text for an approval by the Classes, and these were referred to the Committee at its request for consideration and report (Minutes, 1916, page 860). This reference carried with it also a number of preferences for a substitution of former wordings for those now in force. These are all still in the custody of the Committee and lie on its table, awaiting its consideration until a longer period of use and test of the present instrument shall have made it clear whether these issues are live ones or were only of interest in the period of change, and are now of historic importance and nothing more.

The Committee reported progress last year upon the order of Synod in 1916 to have prepared a Version of the Constitution in the Holland language, and also one for use in the German churches. These two Versions have been completed during this year, and are submitted herewith, and resolutions are offered for their approval by the Synod.

There were also referred to the Committee in 1917 new amendments from overtures from the Classes of Orange and Saratoga, Montgomery and New Brunswick, and from the floor of the Synod. The Committee presents the following recommendations on these matters:

II. OVERTURES TO AMEND SECTION 21.

A Classis (Orange, Minutes, 1917, page 189) recommends that Section 21 should read, "The minister as an officer in the church is a member of his Classis and amenable solely thereto: as pastor *ipso facto* he shall be a member of the church which he serves, or, when without charge, he may become a member of the church of his choice *within our communion* by the regular process of dismissal; he shall not however be allowed to become a member of the consistory of said church."

Classis of New Brunswick phrases the same idea, using the words "within the denomination" instead of communion, and adds, "A minister without charge shall not become a delegate to Classis from the church of his membership."

The comment of the Committee on Revision is:

(1) The terms communion and denomination are not of constitutional usage; the use of the personal possessive pronoun cannot be approved; but the intent of the overture is a sound and valuable

one, that a minister without charge should not enroll himself in a body outside of the control of a Classis of the R. C. A. The phrase to be used which the Revision Committee approves is: "within the bounds of any Classis" to keep his allegiance single and definite.

(2) A minister without charge may by reason of his experience and his gifts of spirit be a most valuable addition to a consistory in its intimate ecclesiastical affairs; he should not be estopped by the Constitution from rendering such service. But he should not be allowed to become entangled in a possible double delegation as both a minister and an elder delegate to either Classis or Synod.

The Committee therefore proposes the following resolution for action by General Synod:

(R-1) Resolved, That in accordance with the provisions of Section 181 of the Constitution the General Synod approves and recommends to the Classes for their approval the following revised wording as a substitute for the present Section 21 of the Constitution of 1916, the new Section 21 to read: "Sec. 21. The minister as an officer in the church is a member of his Classis and amenable solely thereto; as pastor, he shall *ipso facto* be a member of the church which he serves, or, when without charge, he may become a member of the church of his choice within the bounds of any Classis by the regular process of dismissal. Such minister may be a delegate to a Synod from the Classis of which he is a member, but shall not represent the consistory of the church of which he is a member in any ecclesiastical assembly or judicatory."

III. OVERTURES TO AMEND SECTION 50.

A Classis (Montgomery) desires a return to a former basis of the representation of the Classes in Synod, which it claims to be more equitable than that of the present Constitution, and whereby the Classis with a large number of small churches shall be placed on a better footing than now, in comparison with those Classes which have a large communicant membership. A Classis (Saratoga) desires to amend Section 50 by inserting the word "major" between the words three thousand and the words fraction of three thousand in the fifth paragraph.

The comment of the Committee on Revision is:

(3) While the desired change of the second overture would act to prevent an increase in representation until the 3,000 communicant members became 4,500, it would also act to prevent a desirable increase when 4,500 became 6,000, for which the present wording provides.

(4) With respect to both propositions, the present basis of representation was only approved in 1910, and has therefore been in

operation for a short time. It should be tried out for a longer time to see if there are real objections to it, or until opposition to it has gained more general expression and from other Classes. The Committee holds that it would be premature at this time to reconsider so recent an action of the Synod, and therefore presents no recommendation as respects amendment to Section 50, but holds both overtures upon its table, unless otherwise directed by the General Synod.

IV. AMENDMENT TO SECTION 113.

The Synod of 1916 requested the Board of Direction to increase its membership from five to nine, and to effect this end a proposed amendment to the Constitution was sent down to the Classes (Minutes, 1916, page 721).

The Board of Direction sent a carefully prepared communication to the Synod of 1917, urging that so large an increase in size of the Board would be unwise (Minutes, 1917, page 20), and the Classes for various reasons failed to approve the proposed change. Whereupon, the Synod of 1917 reconsidered its former action (Minutes, 1917, page 66) and directed the Committee on Revision to bring in an amendment satisfactory to all parties in interest. Herewith is such a proposed amendment, which has been submitted to the Board of Direction and to its legal advisers and is satisfactory to them. Its features are:

(5) It imposes a requirement of a minimum working quorum of four when the number in the Board is six. The present quorum is three out of a membership of five, and this may be held to make the responsibility on each to be greater than he should be asked to bear.

(6) The phrasing of the Constitution should emphasize an accord between its text and the requirements of the civil law under which the Board of Direction must act as custodians of Synod's funds.

(7) It shortens the term of service on the Board from five years to three. While the principle of a sufficient continuity of service is retained, by making the Board to consist of classes of members whose terms expire at different times, the Synod can control the Constitution of its Board at closer intervals of time.

(8) The Treasurer of the Board and of the General Synod is made to be the choice of the closely responsible Board who must direct him and work with him, rather than to leave his selection to the less responsible procedure of a *viva voce* election at a general meeting of the Synod. The new procedure is held to be much safer than the old, and the Treasurer will be adequately bonded as a safeguard to all parties in any case. The liberty to choose a competent

Treasurer from without the Board and not necessarily from within it will enable the Board to secure a person of especial fitness for the office who might not be chosen for fitness to serve on the Board. The Treasurer will not be a member of the Board unless previously elected thereto by General Synod.

The Committee on Revision therefore presents the following resolution for the action of the General Synod:

(R-2) Resolved, That in accordance with the provisions of Section 181 of the Constitution the General Synod approves and recommends to the Classes for the approval the following revised wording as a substitute for the present Section 113 of the Constitution of 1916, the new Section 113 to read: Sec. 113. The Board of Direction of the Corporation of General Synod shall consist of six persons elected by the General Synod in accordance with its Articles of Incorporation. These members of the Board of Direction shall be elected at the stated meeting of the General Synod and shall serve for three years; they shall be divided into three classes of two members each, and the term of two members shall expire at each stated meeting of the General Synod.

The General Synod at its stated meeting shall elect one of the members of the Board of Direction to be its President for one year.

The Board of Direction as soon as it has been constituted by the General Synod shall elect a Treasurer of the General Synod and of the Board to serve for one year. Such Treasurer need not be a member of the Board of Direction, and unless previously elected thereto by General Synod, he shall have no vote therein. He shall execute and give a bond approved by the Board for the faithful and satisfactory performance of his duties, and at its expense.

The by-laws of the Board of Direction must be approved by the General Synod and may be amended only by the latter and at its stated meeting.

The Board of Direction shall report to the General Synod at its stated meeting a full statement of the funds, receipts and expenditures during its fiscal year. The fiscal year shall be from May 1st to the following April 30th.

V. ACCEPTANCE OF HOLLAND AND GERMAN VERSIONS.

The Committee on Revision presents the following Preambles and Resolution:

(P-3) Whereas, the General Synod in 1917 appointed competent committees expert in their respective languages to prepare Versions of the Constitution of the Reformed Church in America in the languages of Holland and Germany under the direction of sub-com-

mittees of the Committee on Revision (Minutes, 1917, pages 188 and 190); and,

(P-4) Whereas, these two committees have completed their labors in a manner satisfactory to the best skill and knowledge of the sub-committees of the Committee on Revision, and the latter submits with its approval herewith the two Versions ordered by the Synod;

(R-5) Resolved, That the General Synod extends its sincere thanks to the two translation committees on the completion of their difficult and delicate task, and on the basis of the recommendation of its Committee on the Revision of the Constitution it approves these Versions as satisfactory translations of the original English text and authorizes and permits the printing and distribution of these translations until further action by the General Synod.

Respectfully submitted by the Committee on Revision,

F. R. HUTTON, *Chairman*,
GERHARD DE JONGE,
W. H. S. DEMAREST,
GEO. S. HOBART,
MATTHEW KOLYN,
T. H. MACKENZIE,
J. P. SEARLE,
JAMES F. ZWEMER.

The Report was adopted. Resolutions (R-1) and (R-2) are recommended to the Classes for adoption.

A Resolution was adopted asking the Committee on Revision of the Constitution to nominate additional members to take the places of those who have died, and to report those nominations at the next meeting of Synod.

ARTICLE XX.

CUSTOMS AND USAGES.

A MEMORIAL TO GENERAL SYNOD ON DENOMINATIONAL PROGRAM.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America:

Fathers and Brethren: In the belief that marked advance in the activities and achievements of the Reformed Church in America may be assured by the adoption of a definite plan and program, to

provide a goal for our endeavors and point out the steps whereby it may be attained, the undersigned, representing six of the administrative agencies of the Church, request that your honorable body may give its especial attention to the formulation of such a plan and program, a basis for which we venture to suggest in this memorial.

It is our conviction that progress for the Church will be most certain and most effective if made simultaneously along all lines of our Christian activity, and that it should first make itself evident in the individual churches by the deepening of the spiritual lives of their people, by the broadening of their service in the communities in which they are placed; and by their larger co-operation in the work of the Kingdom as represented by the missionary and benevolent service of the Church at large.

The first endeavor for each individual church, and for the denomination as a whole, will necessarily be to extend the influence of the Church in each community and in every community where our churches are found. This endeavor might express itself along evangelistic and social lines with a resulting increase in the membership of all the churches and a corresponding increase in the Christian force which, as a denomination, the Reformed Church would exert. There should be, in our opinion, a definite goal for this increase in membership, for a period of five years at least, and we suggest that concerted effort be made in all the churches to increase the membership of the Reformed Church by 25,000 in the first year, 30,000 in the second year, 35,000 the third, 40,000 the fourth, and 45,000 the fifth, a proportionate increase which the added forces, year by year, should make possible, and which would give the Reformed Church a total membership of 300,000 at the end of the five years.

Individual churches may also strive to increase their efficiency and make certain the continuance of their service, through the proper religious education of the young in the Bible Schools and in Young People's Societies. To this end there is suggested a drive for Teacher Training Classes this coming fall, the objective being to secure such a class in connection with every Bible School. Also that every Young People's Society be regarded as the training school for church activities, and that the members of such societies be encouraged so to regard their organizations and to make use of the best methods and materials to prepare themselves for service.

The efficient church will not stop its educational activities with the young, but will encourage and persuade all its members to inform themselves, by the systematic reading of denominational periodicals, especially *The Christian Intelligencer*, *The Mission Field*, and the papers of the West, of the service being rendered by the Re-

formed Church at home and abroad; of the opportunities for co-operation in such service presented constantly to every member of the Church.

One of the results of such efficiency in the churches, and one of the objectives of our denominational endeavor, should be a marked increase in the number of young people preparing themselves for the ministry or for missionary service. At the present time but sixty-three young men are preparing for the ministry under the care of our Board of Education. In view of the crying need for leadership in the churches and for service in mission fields, the goal of our present efforts should be at least one candidate for the ministry from every one of our churches; a goal which may be attained by consecration, prayer and watchfulness on the part of teachers, pastors and parents; by the generous sustentation of our denominational schools, academies, colleges and seminaries, as the source of by far the larger part of our ministers and missionaries; and by the determination in each church that its service shall be considered incomplete unless it has at least one young person in training for Christian leadership.

As a part of the plan for our denominational progress, we believe that there should also be an endeavor to secure the adoption, on the part of the membership of the churches, of the principles of Christian Stewardship. The sincere Christian recognizes the fact that all he possesses belongs to the Lord. God's ownership and man's stewardship are best recognized by the systematic application of a definite proportion of income to the advancement of the Kingdom, and the prayerful and intelligent use of the balance of the income not thus set aside. Many of our churches have adopted the systematic plan of the Every Member Canvass, and have found it effective so far as it goes. It should be aided, however, by the definite adoption by each individual of the plan of Proportionate Giving in accordance with the scriptural injunction (1 Cor. 16:2).

For the collective activities of the Churches, as expressed in the missionary enterprise at home and abroad, we believe that there should also be a definite program looking toward progress. In the work of Domestic Missions the Church is confronted with a crisis, in that, if it is truly to serve God and the Nation, it must meet and counteract the insidious propaganda of forces that recognize neither God nor His Church. Only by extending our ministry in the name of Christ, with the objective of making America a Christian land, may we contribute our share of effort in the saving of the Nation. To this end our mission churches should be encouraged and aided to redouble their activities and markedly to increase their efficiency in the service they render to the communities in which they are placed. The alien races among whom we labor must be firmly

led along the path which leads to Americanization and Christian citizenship. To this end also our educational work among the Mountaineers must be continued and pressed, the Indians must be evangelized and educated, rural churches must be led into new avenues of service, and the dwellers in crowded cities must be reached and saved. Every place where our missionary activity can find expression in the home land should be considered as territory to be won for Christ, and all the people reached by our ministry must be led to recognize the Divine power that drives us forward in His name. A definite goal for our extension endeavors for five years should include the establishment of at least twenty new mission churches each year among American and Holland people, and at least one mission for Italians or other aliens; an effort which would result in the addition of one hundred churches to the denomination in five years. There must also be intensive development of our work among Mountaineers, Indians, and other exceptional peoples.

In the field of Foreign Missions we recognize the call for effort not necessarily to extend the present field of our responsibilities, but certainly for more efficient support of the work in which we are engaged and for increasing the normal growth of that work. For the greater efficiency of our work the following features call for special effort and development: Japan, concentration and evangelization, the new women's college. China, evangelization in North River district, development of women's medical work. India, mass movement; evangelization and education of people in villages. Arabia, the new Mesopotamia, and the interior to the West recently and so providentially opened, women's medical work. To carry forward this program of intensive service it will be necessary to better the equipment for institutional work and to increase the missionary force until each mission has attained its full previous strength and has had an addition in the number of missionaries of at least ten per cent. in the next five years.

For the furtherance of these missionary plans the mission boards, including the two Women's Boards, are committed to renewed efforts to secure the efficient co-operation of the Church. Definite objectives are: the complete enlistment of the whole membership of the Church in the missionary campaign, the organization of a men's missionary committee in every church, the organization of a women's missionary auxiliary in every church with every woman enlisted in an auxiliary, and the holding of consistorial and other conferences.

May we add, for the consideration of the General Synod, the fact that all the suggestions embodied in this memorial have been considered by the boards and other agencies responsible for leadership along these lines of activity, have been approved by them and

are to be found embodied, with far more detail than can here be given, in the annual reports which they submit to the Synod at this session. Co-operating in this denominational program will therefore be found the Board of Publication and Bible School Work and its Committee on Evangelism, the Board of Education, the Permanent Committee on Systematic Beneficence, the Board of Domestic Missions, the Women's Board of Domestic Missions, the Board of Foreign Missions, and the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions. With the guidance of the General Synod and with the co-operation of the churches, these organizations stand ready to use their utmost endeavors to bring about the complete fulfillment of such a denominational program as may have your approval, in the belief that the great Head of the Church will visit with Divine favor the sincere efforts of His servants to hasten the day when every creature shall own Him as their Lord.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. I. CHAMBERLAIN,

Corresponding Secretary, Board of Foreign Missions...

LUMAN J. SHAFER,

Acting Home Secretary, Board of Foreign Missions.

W. T. DEMAREST,

Office Secretary, Board of Domestic Missions.

S. VANDER WERF,

Field Secretary, Board of Domestic Missions.

EDITH H. ALLEN,

Corresponding Secretary, Women's Board of Domestic Missions.

OLIVIA H. LAWRENCE,

Editorial and Educational Secretary, Woman's Board of Foreign Missions.

ELIAS W. THOMPSON,

President, Board of Education.

ABRAM DURYEE,

Educational Secretary, Board of Publication and Bible School Work.

This Memorial was read and referred to a special committee composed of Revs. Harry W. Noble, P. A. J. Bouma, O. M. Trousdale, and Elders Chas. W. Osborne and Dr. John E. Pratt.

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE MEMORIAL TO THE GENERAL SYNOD REGARDING A DENOMINATIONAL PROGRAM.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America:

Fathers and Brethren: Your Committee to act upon the Memorial presented by our six boards relative to a Five Year Denominational Program, is impressed by this spectacle of the whole Denomination stepping forward to be counted into the vast enterprises of an aroused world.

We have had forward movements of many sorts in recent years, but never have we had a united and correlated movement of all our Boards and agencies based on a wide Denominational Program. So natural does this plan seem today that we wonder why it has not crystallized before. We note that other denominations are now taking this step or are hard at work prosecuting such plans. The sacrificial spirit of the hour demands unified effort and unified control. The President of the United States, through the Federal Council of Churches, has called every church to raise its power to the very utmost efficiency as a war measure. If we are heedless to this call we shall become very seriously embarrassed and possibly submerged in the surge of high causes, which mark the present hour. Should not enthusiasm for our task, as the Reformed Church in America be equal to that displayed by the Red Cross or the Y. M. C. A.? Both of these agencies in large degree look to the Christian church as their mother.

Shall we seem to live in spite of the war or in the war? Secretary of War Baker's slogan ought to apply with us "In it to win it." We are called to make our contribution as a denomination. It is a most real challenge. Leave it unanswered in this General Synod and we shall not contribute much. We shall discover ourselves "dwelling apart in the peace of our self-content" in the very midst of a threatened world.

We are, therefore, proud when our splendid secretaries re-act as one man to such a world situation and then unite to tell us we as a denomination are drafted into the common cause. Believing in our church we would answer as eager volunteers.

We would, therefore, respectfully recommend:

1. That this plan to promulgate a Five Year Denominational Program be approved with a cheer.
2. That the several Boards concerned, be requested to organize a Joint Committee for five years to prosecute this plan.
3. That this Joint Committee be empowered to employ an Executive Secretary if such a course be deemed wise at any time during the five years.

4. As a concrete expression of what ought to be achieved on the financial side, that General Synod declare its purpose to advance year by year its financial support of its Boards and funds concerned in this Program, so that by 1923, it shall amount to \$1,000,000.

5. That we empower the Joint Committee to adopt some scheme of awarding a suitable service flag or other distinguishing marks in the printed reports of the individual church's work so that the progress of this Program may be adequately visualized for our people and our children.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

(Signed) HARRY W. NOBLE,
O. M. TROUSDALE,
P. A. J. BOUMA,
CHARLES W. OSBORNE,
J. E. PRATT.

The Report was adopted.

APPENDIX.

LOCAL CHURCH—FIVE YEAR DENOMINATIONAL PROGRAM.

1. Double Church Membership.
2. One Candidate for Ministry.
3. Efficient Teacher Training Class in S. S.
4. Y. P. Societies True Training Classes for Service.
5. Every Member Canvass and Proportionate Giving Preached from the Pulpit.
6. A Live Men's Missionary Committee.
7. A Live Women's Auxiliary.
8. A Community Church.
9. Pro Rata Giving to All Boards.
10. One-fifth of Members Subscribing to Denominational Weekly.

The Religious Exercises and Extra-Synodical Services were held, with little exception, as arranged in the program, by the Committee on Correspondence and Program, as follows:

GENERAL SYNOD.

THURSDAY EVENING.

The President of Synod presided.

The Synodical sermon was delivered by the retiring President, Rev. Prof. J. Preston Searle, D. D.

FRIDAY MORNING.

Devotional exercises, led by Rev. Henry D. Frost.

Address by Rev. W. R. Ackert, on the subject, "Intercession: For Our Country."

FRIDAY EVENING.

The Vice President presided.

Public meeting in the interest of the Educational Work of the Church, under the joint control of the Board of Education and the Board of Publication and Bible School work.

Address by Rev. Abram Duryee, Educational Secretary of the Board of Publication and Bible School work. Subject: "The Challenge of the Child."

Address by Rev. John W. Beardslee, Jr., D. D., representing the Board of Education. Subject: "The Duty of Knowing How."

SATURDAY MORNING.

Devotional Exercises, led by Rev. H. W. Noble.

Address by Rev. A. W. Hopper, Ph.D., on the subject: "Intercession: "For an Efficient Church."

SUNDAY MORNING.

Pastor of the Asbury Park Church, Rev. G. M. Conover, presided.

Sermon by the President of the Synod. Sacramental Service, conducted by the Vice President, who read the Form for Administration.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON.

Rev. J. L. Leeper, D. D., gave his instructive lecture on "The Jerusalem and Temple That Christ Saw," at four o'clock in the afternoon, at the Model of Jerusalem and Environs at Ocean Grove.

SUNDAY EVENING.

Sermon by the Vice President of the Synod.

MONDAY MORNING.

Devotional Exercises, led by Rev. C. F. Stube.

Address by Rev. J. H. Brandow, on the subject: "Intercession: For Recruits for the Ministry."

MONDAY EVENING.

Public meeting in the interests of Foreign Missions.

Rev. William Bancroft Hill, D. D., presided.

Address by Rev. L. J. Shafer, retiring Home Secretary.

Address by Mr. F. M. Potter, formerly Principal of Voorhees College, Vellore, India, incoming Associate Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions.

TUESDAY MORNING.

Devotional Exercises led by Rev. W. J. Duiker.

Address by Rev. James Wayer, on the subject: "Intercession: For Missions in This World Crisis."

LADIES' DAY.

TUESDAY MORNING.

Through the joint action of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions and the Women's Board of Domestic Missions, union missionary services were held in the morning and afternoon.

10 A. M. DOMESTIC MISSION SERVICE.

Address by Mrs. James L. Graham.

Address by Mrs. Walter J. McIndoe.

Address by Rev. James Dykema.

2 P. M. FOREIGN MISSION SERVICE.

Address by Mrs. James Wayer, Vice President of the Women's Board of Foreign Missions for the Particular Synod of Chicago.

Addresses by Missionaries on Furlough.

Address by Miss Josephine V. Te Winkel.

Address by Rev. J. Frederic Berg, D. D.

The usual Women's Prayer Meetings were held on Friday, Saturday and Monday mornings.

TUESDAY EVENING.

Public meeting in the interests of Domestic Missions.

Address by Rev. Alfred Williams Anthony, D. D., Executive Secretary of the Home Mission Council.

Address by Rev. Clifford P. Case, D. D., member of the Board of Domestic Missions and Camp Pastor at Camp Merritt.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

Devotional Exercises led by the Vice President of the Synod, the subject: "Intercession: For the Coming Year."

ARTICLE XXI.

PUBLIC MORALS.

The Joint Report of the Permanent Committees on Temperance and Observance of the Lord's Day will be found incorporated in the Report of the Committee on Benevolent Societies.

These two committees have been merged into a new Permanent Committee on Public Morals.

ARTICLE XXII.

STATE OF RELIGION AND STATISTICAL TABLES.

The Report of the Committee on State of Religion was given by the Retiring President the Rev. Prof. J. P. Searle, D. D. It was accepted and adopted. It is as follows:

Statistics in Church matters are something like the log of a steamship which records the course steered by the compass, the revolutions of the propellers, the weather, the direction and velocity of the winds, and thus affords a rough but far from precise means of estimating progress made from noon to noon. Favoring or adverse breezes and currents, the height of the waves, sometimes lifting the blades of the propeller from water to the air contribute to the indefinite character of the judgment based on the log alone, and this can be corrected into perfect precision only when a cloudless sky makes possible accurate observation of sun or stars; and these days in church life are clouded ones. Statistics and logs are also alike dry reading to him who can not read from them, not definite information, but suggestion helpful at least in guidance of ship or under-

taking. Hence the precedent established in previous reports and followed today in including in this one a brief statistical section.

We have 730 churches, one less than last year.

We have 759 ministers, ten more than last year.

We have 134,039 communicants, 1,877 more than last year.

We have 499 more families, and have received 6,990 on confession, 850 less than last year, our Banner year.

There have been 241 fewer infants, and 379 fewer adults, baptized.

We have 2,636 fewer catechumens reported, 11 fewer Bible Schools, and 174 fewer enrolled in them.

Our gifts have decreased for our own benevolences by \$21,972, no part of this loss falling on our Foreign or Home Missionary work, and for congregational purposes by \$8,882, no part falling we trust on the ministers struggling to live and to be honest in face of the diminishing purchasing power of his few dollars, while for other benevolences the reported increase is \$71,001, while the undoubted actual increase runs into the hundreds of thousands. Our church members have given their splendid war benevolence gifts largely through other channels than the churches.

The total of our money contributions reported is \$2,564,473, which does not include the gifts for congregational purposes of a score or more churches not reporting in this column, including one church of nearly 6,000 members, which contributes more than one-sixth of the whole amount of our benevolent gifts as reported, namely: \$118,978, out of \$741,672. Nor do these columns include the income of a number of endowments, some of these very large, which income is administered chiefly for congregational purposes by our churches.

The gain in membership over all losses is a substantial one. The columns showing small losses are relatively unimportant. Not so however, is the column devoted to catechumens in which there is indicated a falling off of 2636. One wonders how far this is due to facts indicated by the stars on the service flag in so many of our churches. If this does not explain in large part the situation the true causes should be sought with grave concern by the pastors and elders of the churches affected.

The gains in the total of gifts reflects in part increased prosperity in certain quarters, and a larger sense of responsibility in serving the Lord and our fellows as stewards of His good gifts to us. This sense of stewardship thus awakened extraordinarily by the world wide exigency, carefully nourished by intelligent training in the Scriptures of service and sacrifice, may result in a continuous growth in experience of the superior blessedness of giving and in larger achievement through the increased giving of years to come.

Losses and gains that little more than balance each other do not give cause for exultation, and while, in view of the general unsettling of conditions, we perhaps ought to be profoundly thankful that we simply hold our own, we should with prayer and purpose look forward to more persistent and resultful effort in the year that now faces us.

Your Committee feel that if only as a matter of record some note should be taken of the conditions amidst which we are working to-day, as these affect our task on its spiritual side. These new conditions touch us all as individuals at practically every point of contact we have with the world, and with such force as to compel many and constant re-adjustments in purpose and in action. They have by no means been fully developed and our bewildered consciousness of change lags behind the unceasing change itself. Supreme, above the difficulties of re-adjustment in the physical, and the other material sides of life, in habits of food, of clothing, of travel, of commercial and domestic life, loom up the spiritual re-adjustments. This is true for the Christian. The ways of Providence have taken on increased mystery to many believing minds. Every pastor among us knows this, and this is only one illustration of what we mean. And yet for the Christian there is a rock higher than himself and a gracious hand ever outstretched to him to lead him, just as soon as he will consent to be led, to its safety and its calm. Amidst all the chaos of the present time moves, as the eye of faith discerns, a single majestic figure of one who changes not, the same, yesterday, today and forever. We must for our soul's sake, and for our work's sake now, more than ever, keep close to Him. For our work's sake, for all about us are men bewildered as the Christian can never be. Their old ideals of life only a few days ago, so proudly cherished in contrast with the Christian's supposed superstition are gone, the base and terrible fruitage of these being stupendously revealed. They have nothing to guide them, nothing to comfort them. They have caught some vision of the ideal of sacrifice. Something of conviction as to its height and truth had penetrated them. But the real personal source of it all, the power of it, the surpassing, eternal glory of it, they do not yet understand. The welcome given by a sin wearied, disappointed world to the Gospel of the dying, the risen Christ, the Christ who cannot fail, in the third century of our era, awaits the preaching of that Christ today. A tremendous ploughshare is being driven through the field of human life. It turns and over turns. It is burying noxious weeds beyond the possibilities of re-growth. Heart soil is ready every where for the seed of the Kingdom. Shall we sow it? My brethren, pastors, elders, apostles every one, shall we sow it?

J. PRESTON SEARLE.

STATISTICAL TABLES.

Abbreviations.

- A. P.—Assistant Pastor.
C. and P.—Correspondence and Program.
D. M.—Domestic Missions.
D. M. F.—Disabled Ministers' Fund.
E.—Education.
F. M.—Foreign Missions.
Jr. P.—Junior Pastor.
N. B. S.—New Brunswick Theological Seminary.
P. and B. S. W.—Publication and Bible-School Work.
P. E.—Pastor Elect.
P. Em.—Pastor Emeritus.
P. M.—Public Morals.
P. S. A.—Particular Synod of Albany.
P. S. C.—Particular Synod of Chicago.
P. S. N. B.—Particular Synod of New Brunswick.
P. S. N. Y.—Particular Synod of New York.
S. B.—Systematic Beneficence.
S. C.—Stated Clerk.
S. M.—Senior Minister.
S. S.—Stated Supply.
Treas.—Treasurer.
W. F.—Widows' Fund.
W. I. M.—Winnebago Indian Mission.
W. T. S.—Western Theological Seminary.

[Synod voted to eliminate the column "number communed during year" from the Statistical Tables of this year's minutes].

CLASSIS OF ALBANY.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.							OTHERS ENROLLED.		BAPTISMS.		C. C. & B. S.		CONTRIBUTIONS.		P. O. ADDRESS.				
		Total Number of Communicants.	No. of Church Families.	On Confession.	On Certificate.	By Dismissal.	By Discipline.	By Death.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Inactive List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non-Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.		Total Enrollment.	For Denominational Purposes.	For Other Objects.	For Congregational Purposes.
First, Albany	James S. Kittell	688	370	6	9	6	9	8	16	24	8	4	8	4	.....	1	348	3,710	2,011	11,685	84 Elk St., Albany, N. Y.
Madison Ave., Albany	J. Addison Jones	568	317	14	5	4	4	2	4	13	1	20	1	1	.....	2	349	6,677	1,529	10,003	315 Madison Ave., Albany.
Third, Albany	Andrew Hansen	298	164	14	14	8	8	2	72	110	20	6	3	3	.....	1	366	6,977	1,234	7,300	38 Ten Eyck Ave., Albany.
Fourth, Albany	Frederick Mueller	165	75	10	2	2	2	4	4	10	8	25	4	1	12	1	65	293	300	2,691	32 Magnolia Ter., Albany.
Fifth, Albany	Henry C. Jacobs	190	80	23	7	10	7	3	47	20	35	7	1	1	60	1	190	310	106	2,413	151 Jay St., Albany, N. Y.
Sixth, Albany	Frank F. Blessing	262	128	50	19	8	8	2	20	10	12	12	17	4	27	1	341	408	155	3,873	170 N. Allen St., Albany.
First, Bethlehem	H. S. Van Woert	204	116	13	6	4	6	4	161	88	8	4	80	2	.....	2	386	441	431	2,433	Selkirk, N. Y.
Second, Berne	Supplied	44	30	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	.....	459	Knox, N. Y.
Clarksville	John B. Stoketee	51	32	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	13	1	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	32	36	6	443	Voorheesville, R. 3, N. Y.
Coeymans	Henry T. Jones	120	67	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	40	30	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	55	215	10	1,850	Coeymans, N. Y.
Delmar	Jacob Van Ess	222	115	6	4	3	3	5	25	29	64	5	2	50	.....	1	205	268	102	2,400	Delmar, N. Y.
Jerusalem	Joseph Millet	107	58	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25	12	10	.....	.....	8	.....	.....	76	58	28	1,103	Feura Bush, N. Y.
Knox	Supplied	66	34	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	.....	385	Knox, N. Y.
New Baltimore	Howard Kanter	130	80	24	7	1	1	4	20	10	15	14	20	.....	.....	.....	42	143	108	1,738	New Baltimore, N. Y.
New Salem	John B. Stoketee	68	44	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	33	62	.....	.....	8	.....	.....	.....	1	87	64	1,036	Voorheesville, N. Y.
Onesquehaw	Joseph Millet	38	22	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Union	Jacob Van Ess, S. S.	65	52	10	1	1	1	3	20	5	19	4	7	.....	.....	.....	1	35	39	417	Feura Bush, N. Y.
Westerlo	Donald Boyce	75	53	18	1	.....	.....	1	37	24	.....	4	18	7	.....	2	75	60	10	1,546	Delmar, N. Y.
Total		3361	1847	196	73	50	6	56	523	372	306	68	73	295	99	21	2765	12,847	4,843	52,279	

Other Ministers—J. P. Bryant, Schenectady, N. Y.; F. V. W. Lehman, Delmar, N. Y.; Charles Maar, 538 Morris St., Albany, N. Y.; B. J. Hotaling, Syracuse, N. Y.

Classical Agents—F. M., J. A. Jones; D. M., J. S. Kittell; E., J. Van Ess; D. M. F. and W. F. F. F. Blessing; P. and B. S. W., John B. Stoketee.

Stated Clerk and Treasurer—Henry C. Jacobs, 151 Jay St., Albany, N. Y.

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				(On Confes-sion.)	(On Certifi-cate.)	By Dismissal.														By Dis-cipline.
First, Hackensack	Albert Von Schleider	354	230	7	8	3	65	167	65	...	7	2	1	497	\$1,153	\$294	\$5,572	
Schenlenburgh	Vacant	185	130	28	4	4	3	30	32	50	12	5	25	...	1	290	613	430	3,290	
English Neighborhood	Vacant	86	189	4	7	12	24	29	24	...	13	5	...	...	1	128	107	40	1,877
Second, Hackensack	Arthur Johnson	518	280	14	16	8	120	290	120	...	7	10	...	...	2	350	1,253	1,087	*17,230
Third, Hackensack	August Weber	90	80	2	...	...	290	290	120	...	11	...	60	7	1	68	36	3	952
Closter	Orville J. Hogan	97	84	2	3	1	3	42	22	13	8	...	...	...	1	271	356	73	2,554
North Hackensack	Wm. J. H. Miller	121	89	16	...	1	4	66	14	28	12	7	38	...	1	299	371	152	2,300	
Spring Valley	Supplied	24	15	...	...	...	...	30	54	...	2	...	...	...	1	35	14	6	219
Westwood	E. Ward Decker	317	170	24	5	2	...	30	54	...	6	7	...	...	1	347	644	644	3,961
Oradell	Edgar L. McCully	154	85	9	...	...	1	36	...	15	3	...	...	...	1	245	592	309	3,587
Hasbrouck Heights	P. T. Pockman	149	92	2	3	5	5	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	1	144	144	20	2,493
Highwood	Vacant	42	32	4	...	...	18	17	8	...	7	0	17	3	1	130	61	16	635
Rochelle Park	David C. Waldner, S. S.	48	32	4	...	...	3	20	9	16	11	...	...	...	1	108	71	43	672
Bogert Memorial	(a) Stockard Lane	205	114	7	9	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	350	180	170	6,884
Harrington Park	(b) Homer L. Sheffer	77	53	10	6	3	4	50	7	4	7	0	...	...	1	123	250	60	1,876
Italian, Hackensack	Thomas Adams	40	35	10	...	...	1	50	...	...	5	...	...	...	1	35	15	10	100
Gaetano Iorizzo	Gaetano Iorizzo	2507	1703	143	65	47	1	54	837	384	163	122	40	135	31	17	3420	\$5,860	\$3,366	\$54,311
Total																				

Other Ministers—James H. Ballagh, Yokohama, Japan; John Justin, Weehawken, N. J.; John C. Gardner, Englewood, N. J.; Marcus J. Roop, Middletown, N. Y.; A. A. Ransom, M. D., Layton, N. J.; John Bombin, Hackensack, N. J.; T. R. Westervelt, Hackensack, N. J.; J. Clements Edson, Brooklyn, N. Y.; John T. E. DeWitt, Oradell, N. J.; James E. Graham, River Edge, N. J.; Charles W. Gulick, Camp Mills, Garden City, N. Y.; Henry Bacon Allen, Somewhere in France.

Candidates—William Henry Backus, *Licentiate*; R. W. Blake, So. Bethlehem, Pa.

Classical Agents—F. M., Edgar L. McCully; D. M., P. T. Pockman; E., Charles W. Gulick; P. and B. S. W., H. B. Allen.

Shared Clerk and Treasurer—F. Ward Decker, Westwood, N. J.

† Last year's report. (a) On leave of absence. (b) Acting pastor. *\$6,738 to cancel indebtedness.

SOUTH CLASSIS OF BERGEN.—P. S. N. B.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.					OTHERS ENROLLED.			BAPTISMS.		C. C. & B. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.		
		Total Number of Communicants.	No. of Church Families.	Gains.		Losses.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Inactive List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non-Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enrollment.	For Denominational Purposes.	For Other Objects.		For Confessional Purposes.	
				On Confession.	On Certification.															By Dismissal.	By Discipline.	By Death.
Bergen, Jersey City.....	Willard P. Soper.....	728	405	45	9	19	9	360	14	8	.....	.....	.....	2	358	\$1,868	\$1,590	\$12,396	797 Bergen Ave., J. City.
First, Bayonne.....	Cornelius Brett, P. Em.	456	380	11	12	16	1	140	5	3	.....	.....	.....	1	528	830	252	8,729	70 Wadsworth St., Buffalo.
First, Von Vorst, J. City.....	R. H. M. Augustine.....	209	135	10	4	3	6	23	200	21	.....	.....	.....	1	115	626	214	3,383	763 Ave. C. Bayonne.
Park, Jersey City.....	W. Reese Hart.....	102	60	.....	.....	.....	1	17	35	1	.....	.....	.....	1	70	48	1,499	307 Montgomery St., J. C.	
Fifth Street, Bayonne.....	vacant.....	404	223	18	8	9	6	58	17	19	88	.....	.....	1	455	774	8,046	111 W. 5th St., Bayonne.	
2nd Hudson City, J. C.	Ferdinand S. Wilson.....	300	372	66	1	4	1	300	200	94	5	150	49	1	510	264	16,300	14 Sherman Place, J. C.		
Lafayette, Jersey City.....	August F. Bender.....	366	319	23	8	11	7	50	92	78	18	4	70	7	355	975	195	7,403	278 Pacific Ave., J. C.	
Greenville, Jersey City.....	Harry W. Noble.....	231	141	6	9	3	1	74	41	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	287	138	189	45,747	177 Winfield Ave., J. C.
Third, Bayonne.....	E. M. Duck.....	132	87	6	.....	2	2	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	27	40	23	1,543	15 W. 25th St., Bayonne.
First Ger. Evan, J. C.	Hubert L. Franzen.....	260	98	14	.....	2	5	60	42	35	18	.....	.....	1	90	119	53	2,193	349 York St., J. C.
St. John's, Ger. J. City.....	George C. Mueller.....	460	155	30	.....	5	13	150	55	45	61	5	160	20	3	400	40	3,500	48 Fairview Ave., J. C.
Faith, Jersey City.....	Ottlieb Andreye.....	185	108	28	9	8	2	74	37	24	16	5	65	17	1	360	332	2,739	228 Wegman Pk'y, J. C.	
West Side, Jersey City.....	James Boyd Hunter.....	52	36	0	4	4	1	14	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	112	.....	168	1,079	2543 Boulevard, J. C.
Total.....	Vacant.....	3,397	2,520	247	64	95	1	70	787	1,266	420	271	371	638	106	16	3,697	\$6,577	\$3,954	\$74,461

Other Ministers—Abraham Duryee, 25 E. 22d St., N. Y.; John H. Blue, Toronto, Canada; Dubois LeFevre, New Paltz, N. Y.

Classical Agents—F. M., F. S. Wilson; D. M., W. R. Hart; E., H. W. Noble; P. and B. S. W., E. M. Duck; D. M. F. and W. F., Elder H. Kern; P. M., D. LeFevre.

Stated Clerk and Treasurer—J. B. Hunter, 228 Wegman Parkway, J. C.
 *\$1,650 special gifts. †\$1,594 on mortgage.

CLASSIS OF THE CASCADES.—P. S. C.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.					OTHERS ENROLLED.		BAPTISMS.		C. C. & B. S.		CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.		
		Total Number of Communicants.	Gains.		Losses.			Inactive List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non-Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enroll-ment.	For Determina-tional Purposes.		For Other Objects.	For Congrega-tional Purposes.
			On Confes-sion.	On Certifi-cate.	By Dismissal.	By Disci-pline.	By Death.											
Hope	Vacant	27	12	6	4	4	3	14	1	6	17	47	1	40	\$ 9	\$ 75	\$ 47	Big Timber, Montana.
Lynden	H. K. Pasna	135	65	30	4	4	11	14	6	1	80	24	1	60	512	44	1,003	Lynden, Washington.
Manhattan	G. Kroodsma	34	17	3	1	1	11	7	1	1	24	21	1	20	470		1,461	Manhattan, Montana.
Monarch	A. Van Dyk	42	25	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	98	25	1	63	139		995	Monarch, Alberta, Can.
Montana, First	Wm. Duven	70	42	1	1	1	36	2	4	4	22	76	1	24	409		1,546	Conrad, Montana.
New Holland	Vacant	56	22	9	4	1	8	4	4	4	48	22	1	147	371		520	Arden, Alberta, Can.
North Yakima	B. Van Heuvelen	106	55	8	4	1	14	7	4	4	93	60	1	70	1,022	161	1,352	R. D. 1, N. Yakima, Wash.
Oak Harbor	Vacant	71	35	10	4	1	1	20	3	3	73	40	1	215	286	194	934	Oak Harbor, Wash.
Mission San Francisco	T. W. Mullenburg																30	Spruce St., Berkeley, Cal.
Mission, Spokane, Wash.	A. Klerk																105 1303 E. 32d Av., Spokane.	
Mission, Elk, Wash.	A. Klerk																1303 E. 32d Av., Spokane.	
Totals		535	273	72	25	16	8	103	23	471	291	71	424	\$2,838	\$1,027	\$7,993		
Other Ministers—Classical Missionaries, T. W. Mullenburg, 1539 Spruce St., Berkeley, Cal.; A. Klerk, 1303 East 32nd Ave., Spokane, Wash.																		
Classical Agents—F. M., T. W. Mullenberg; D. M., H. K. Pasna; E. B. Van Heuvelen; D. M. F. and W. F., A. Van Dyk; P. and B. S. W., Wm. Duven.																		
Stated Clerk and Treasurer—B. Van Heuvelen, No. Yakima, Wash., R. D. 1.																		

Other Ministers—Classical Missionaries, T. W. Mullenburg, 1539 Spruce St., Berkeley, Cal.; A. Klerk, 1303 East 32nd Ave., Spokane, Wash.
 Classical Agents—F. M., T. W. Mullenburg; D. M., H. K. Pasna; E., B. Van Heuvelen; D. M. F. and W. F., A. Van Dyk; P. and B. S., Wm. Duven.
 Stated Clerk and Treasurer—B. Van Heuvelen, No. Yakima, Wash., R. D. 1.

CLASSIS OF CHICAGO.—P. S. C.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.						OTHERS ENROLLED.			BAPTISMS.			C. C. & B. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.		P. O. ADDRESS.			
		Total Number of Communicants.	No. of Church Families.	On Confession.	On Certificate.	Gains.		Losses.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Inactive List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non-Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enrollment.	For Denominational Purposes.		For Other Objects.	For Confessional Purposes.	
Chicago, First	Henry Schipper	260	166	9	3	15	7	141	20	7	16	2	288	110	1	220	\$1,601	\$1,243	\$4,109	1537 Hastings St., Chic'o.		
Chicago, 1st Englewood	J. M. Lumkes	365	220	17	12	19	2	132	20	8	21	11	400	160	1	288	741	523	5,765	848 W. 42d St., Chicago.		
Chicago, Gano	John Sietsema	228	103	1	4	5	2	7	8	10	23	21	250	75	1	390	741	523	2,671	11623 Perry Av., Chicago.		
Chicago, First Roseland	J. F. Heemstra	813	372	28	21	46	10	13	13	10	23	884	285	1	726	4,548	719	819	9,397	24 E. 107th St., Chicago.		
Chicago, Summit	Josias Meulendyke	70	35	9	3	5	2	15	13	7	7	83	55	1	85	263	74	1,150	Chicago Lawn, Chicago.			
Chicago, West Side	H. J. Pietenpol	162	78	8	15	2	1	33	78	10	10	185	88	1	189	784	160	2,937	1323 S. 60th Av., Cicero.			
Danforth	Vacant.	125	47	3	2	2	1	10	3	10	15	1	165	90	1	97	145	26	1,074	Danforth, Ill.		
De Motte	A. Oosterhof	169	90	10	12	2	2	8	325	8	12	28	8	166	126	1	265	1,006	721	4,000	R. R. I., Thayer, Ind.	
Fulton, First	Wm. Van Vliet	323	290	7	12	9	1	32	1	6	8	10	4	3	30	14	1	210	1,039	268	600	Fulton, Ill.
Fulton, Second	M. E. Koster	126	64	10	10	1	1	6	8	10	4	2	3	152	80	1	225	928	137	3,607	Fulton, Ill.	
Indianapolis	Vacant	38	21	10	10	1	1	11	6	4	12	3	289	125	1	258	1,498	163	3,454	Indiana polis, Ind.		
Lafayette	J. J. Althuis	119	59	23	7	5	6	10	6	4	12	3	230	118	1	198	336	22	3,452	N. 11 St., Lafayette, Ind.		
Lansing	W. J. Duiker	246	115	15	13	6	10	70	4	4	24	200	180	1	140	2,075	11	387	3,756	1,403 R. R. I., Lansing, Ind.		
Morrison	Ebenezer	267	155	33	15	4	5	32	4	5	11	11	210	75	1	387	787	15	4,448	311 E. Park St., Morrison		
Mt. Greenwood	John D. Dykstra	160	84	1	23	10	1	69	3	3	16	7	130	341	1	213	500	90	1,250	R. R. I., Blue Island, Ill.		
Newton, Zion	B. T. Van der Woude	56	53	4	7	14	3	80	7	2	9	155	120	1	19	407	\$20,229	\$5,391	\$56,710	R. R. I., Fulton, Ill.		
South Holland	Vacant	426	250	4	7	14	3	27	2	2	9	155	120	1	19	407	\$20,229	\$5,391	\$56,710	South Holland, Ill.		
Ustick, Spring Valley	Vacant	48	35	12	2	3	4	20	2	2	9	155	120	1	19	407	\$20,229	\$5,391	\$56,710	R. R. I., Fulton, Ill.		
Wichert	Fred Zandstra	133	65	12	2	3	4	20	2	2	9	155	120	1	19	407	\$20,229	\$5,391	\$56,710	Wichert, Ill.		
Totals		4125	2302	204	164	185	10	531030	69	51	244	11	15432	2327	19	4077	\$20,229	\$5,391	\$56,710			

Other Ministers—S. E. Koster, Fulton, Ill.; John Van Ess, Burrish, Persian Gulf; Peter C. DeJong, Danforth, Ill.
 Classical Agents—Ed. M. E. Koster; D. M., J. M. Lumkes; F. M., J. Meulendyke; D. M. F. & W. F., W. J. Duiker; P. & B. S. W., John D. Dykstra; P. M., F. Zandstra.
 Stated Clerk and Treasurer—H. J. Pietenpol, 1323 So. 60th Av., Cicero, Ill.
 *For 11 months.

CLASSIS OF DAKOTA.—P. S. C.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.					OTHERS ENROLLED.		BAPTISMS.	C. C. & B. S.	CONTRIBUTIONS.		P. O. ADDRESS.									
		Total Number of Communicants.	Gains.		Losses.			Inactive List.			Absent List.	Adherents.		Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non-Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enrollment.	For Denominational Purposes.	For Other Objects.	For Congregational Purposes.
			On Confession.	Certificate.	By Dismissal.	By Discipline.	By Death.															
Aurora	Classical Missionary	52	26	5	1	2	35	6	72	12	52	\$189	\$352	P. Donker, Stickney, S. D.								
Bemis	Vacant	25	11	3	8	1	9	10	75	25	1	184	10	Bemis, S. D.								
Castlewood	Vacant	62	32	6	1	8	10	3	75	25	1	184	10	1,100 J. Heemeyer, Castlew'd.								
Charles Mix	Vacant	44	26	1	3	3	6	8	65	25	1	191	118	2,046 K. F. Wynia, C., Platte.								
Corsica	H. M. Petterson	60	30	1	3	6	2	1	55	20	1	251	72	1,947 Corsica, S. D.								
Grand View	L. H. Benes	63	31	6	2	1	20	5	40	76	1	174	253	1,416 Armour, S. D.								
Harrison	John De Beer	126	73	7	2	7	1	8	186	70	1	1,191	253	1,882 Harrison, S. D.								
Hull, American Ref'd.	Vacant	26	16	1	2	4	15	4	23	10	1	62	41	780 Hull, Iowa.								
Lake View	Classical Missionary	21	9	4	2	4	1	5	104	39	2	120	201	97 S. Schryvers, Lk. V., S. D.								
Litchville	Vacant	62	33	6	4	8	1	26	70	35	1	176	180	1,520 Litchville, N. D.								
Maurice, Amer. Ref'd.	Vacant	57	23	1	1	1	13	8	70	35	1	146	730	856 J. E. Mieras, Maurice.								
Monroe, Sandham Mem.	John R. Roggen	96	44	12	1	5	7	5	143	97	1	182	330	3,408 Monroe, S. D.								
North Marion	John W. Brink	75	34	3	2	8	7	3	70	36	1	100	470	2,335 Marion, N. D., E. R. 2								
Orange City, Amer. Ref.	David McEwan	284	100	17	21	13	4	10	11	2	85	128	246	3,584 Orange City, Iowa.								
Springfield	John H. Tietema	177	80	23	8	8	1	20	4	171	105	1	1,035	2,559 Springfield, S. D.								
Strasburg	Vacant	29	12	8	3	3	12	4	6	1	2	100	70	1,216 J. Haverm'n, Strasbg. N. D.								
Tyndall	Classical Missionary	37	16	2	3	4	4	5	36	1	1	21	390	327 H. Wynia, Avon, S. D.								
Westfield	Gerrit Menning	146	83	16	5	3	5	12	14	196	70	1	1,823	1,823 Westfield, N. D.								
Totals		1476	591	115	64	78	16	150	68	102	9144	758	\$2,911	\$27,292								
Other Ministers—J. C. Van Wyk, Missionary, India; B. D. Dykstra, Classical Missionary, Platte, So. Dakota; S. J. Harmeling, Emeritus; Vachon, Washington.																						
Classical Agents—D. M., D. McEwan; F. M., G. Menning; E., B. D. Dykstra; P. & B. S. W., J. H. Tietema; W. F. and D. M. F., Elder P. J. De Kruij, Orange City, Iowa; P. M., Peter Van Peursem, Maurice, Iowa.																						
Stated Clerk and Treasurer—B. D. Dykstra, Platte, So. Dakota.																						
*No financial report. †Indefinite report. ‡Last year's report.																						

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Stated Clerk and Treasurer—B. D. Dykstra, Platte, So. Dakota.

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CLASSIS OF GERMANIA—P. S. C.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.					OTHERS ENROLLED.			BAPTISMS.			C. C. & B. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.	
		Total Number of Families.	No. of Church Members.	Gains.		Losses.	Absent List.	Inactive List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non- Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enroll- ment.	For Denomina- tional Purposes.	For Other Objects.	For Congrega- tional Purposes.			
				On Certifi- cate.	By Dismiss- sal.													By Dis- ciple.		By Death.	Adherents.
Baker	Vacant	12	6															Melvin, Iowa.		
Bethany	C. Bauer	149	121	21	1	2	0	0	220	0	0	12	0	256	26	1	\$347	\$118	\$3,350	Clara City, Minn.
Bethel	Vacant	13	11						22	1	0	5		78	24	1	200	300	178	Ellsworth, Minn.
Chancellor	H. Achermann	63	40	5	0	0	0	0	49	1	0	11	0	78	24	1	228	100	1,251	Chancellor, S. D.
Cromwell Center	J. M. DeVries	47	43	3	0	0	0	0	71	1	0	5	0	67	29	1	326	44	2,216	Every, Iowa.
Davis	H. W. Hortsch	46	28	4	0	0	0	0	26	6	0	4	0	100	21	1	198	208	1,233	Davis, S. D.
Delaware	A. H. Waalkes	37	23	11	0	0	0	0	22	0	3	22	3	62	42	1	330	60	1,662	Lennox, S. D.
Dempster	W. Denekas	37	30	1	2	0	0	1	8	0	1	8	0	100	35	1	60	320	1,340	Dempster, S. D.
Herman	Vacant	31	18						12	3		3					74	10	200	Herman, Minn.
Hope	Otto G. Poppen	39	44	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	0	149	55	1	189	19	1,363	George, Iowa.
Lennox, Second	H. Huenemann	87	71	2	6	1	0	0	70	4	1	3	0	84	12	1	529	187	1,830	Lennox, S. D.
Logan	P. DeBuhr	34	32	0	0	0	0	0	49	0	0	3	0	84	12	1	215	200	1,088	Dell Rapids, S. D.
Monroe	E. F. Koerlin	67	60	4	0	0	0	0	1	80	10	0	5	137	14	1	187	53	2,803	Monroe, S. D.
North Sibley	H. J. Potgieter, Jr.	28	23	4	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	4	0	71	30	1	144	125	713	Sibley, Iowa.
Salem	E. Aelits	74	86	1	0	3	0	0	95	0	1	9	0	160	64	1	859	276	1,758	Little Rock, Iowa.
Scotland	F. Schaefer	67	22	15	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	65	15	1	278	76	620	Scotland, S. D.
Sibley	J. J. Potgieter, Jr.	25	20	3	1	0	0	0	21	1	0	0	0	8	2	1	110	40	251	Sibley, Iowa.
Total		847	678	76	10	10	3	13	806	33	6	111	21	1337	369	15	\$4,456	\$1,819	\$22,456	
Other Ministers—Rev. G. Kramer, Classical Missionary, Sibley, Iowa; Rev. L. Ziegler, Pastor Emeritus, Ellendale, North Dakota; Rev. F. Schaefer, Pastor Emeritus, Freeport, Illinois, after September 1, 1918. Classical Agents—F. M., G. Kramer; D. M., E. Koerlin; E. W. Denekas; P. and B. S. W., E. Aelits. Stated Clerk and Treasurer—H. Huenemann, Lennox, South Dakota.																				

CLASSIS OF GRAND RIVER.—P. S. C.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.				OTHERS ENROLLED.		BAPTISMS.		C. C. & B. S.		CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.					
		Total Number of Families.	On Confession.	On Certificate.	By Dismissal.	By Death.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Inactive List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non-Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.		Total Enrollment.	For Denominational Purposes.	For Other Objects.	For Congregational Purposes.	
Ada	Robert W. Douma	29	19	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	45	30	1	59	53	8	\$ 455	Ada, Mich.	
Atwood	John Webbing	70	34	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	50	1	85	48	59	836	Central Lake, Mich.	
Beverly	A. J. Van den Heuvel	61	28	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	54	50	1	97	298	49	695	G. Rapids, Mich. R. R. 1.	
Byron Center	Oliver G. Drappers	103	52	6	4	9	1	10	3	9	12	40	65	1	100	491	61	1,588	Byron Center, Mich.	
Copersville	Abraham De Young	290	131	23	10	13	1	10	1	19	2	237	160	1	325	1,870	225	2,088	Copersville, Mich.	
Decatur	Vacant	49	35	3	3	10	1	17	1	5	1	103	57	1	85	30	52	814	Decatur, Mich.	
Detroit	John Ravenloek	223	105	8	5	12	1	20	5	25	1	203	65	1	256	1,201	337	4,895	329 Catherine St., Detroit.	
East Paris	Vacant	26	17	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	1	38	1	1	34	30	9	176	G. Rapids, Mich. R. R.	
Palmyra	Vacant	26	16	1	1	2	1	1	2	3	1	38	1	1	34	30	9	176	Palmyra, Mich.	
Premont	John Van Westenbourg	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	1	110	70	1	132	540	110	2,230	Premont, Mich.	
Grand Haven, First	Vacant	457	237	11	6	1	1	40	20	26	27	2	560	165	1	508	2,261	272	5,031	Grand Haven, Mich.
Grand Rapids, Third	Vacant	425	212	26	3	21	1	10	4	18	1	420	214	1	382	551	367	5,140	1009 Herm'ge St., G. R.	
Grand Rapids, Fourth	Harrie Priodling	311	131	18	1	8	1	11	1	7	1	255	125	1	300	943	806	4,818	1037 Ionia Av., G. Rapids.	
Grand Rapids, Fifth	S. C. Nettinga	467	220	24	4	6	1	15	14	1	16	2	213	207	1	375	3,677	1,070	5,439	555 Church Place, G. R.
Grand Rapids, Sixth	K. J. Dykema	141	69	6	7	7	1	3	16	1	12	2	170	70	1	166	560	134	1,644	1026 Adams St., G. R.
Grand Rapids, Seventh	Vacant	400	200	23	13	12	1	5	1	19	1	540	300	1	325	1,036	389	5,465	1135 Jennette Ave., G. R.	
Grand Rapids, Eighth	Vacant	320	165	31	12	5	1	8	40	4	31	6	420	200	1	320	1,323	386	2,843	821 Burton St., G. R.
Grand Rapids, Ninth	Vacant	194	86	8	3	3	1	6	29	12	13	6	130	90	1	275	648	358	2,600	909 Watson St., G. R.
Grand Rapids, Tenth	J. G. Brouwer	220	110	4	10	5	1	8	6	1	17	1	197	135	1	224	859	167	2,250	Grandville, Mich.
Grant	Vacant	38	20	4	1	1	1	5	1	3	3	42	1	1	22	226	107	173	173	Grant, Mich.

CLASSIS OF GRAND RIVER—P. S. C.—(Continued).

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.				OTHERS ENROLLED.		BAPTISMS.		C. C. & B. S.		CONTRIBUTIONS.		P. O. ADDRESS.							
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Kalamazoo, First	J. J. Holtheimels	379	160	7	7	6	3	30	9	...	8	...	317	150	1	408	\$1,216	\$206	\$5,061	323 Cedar St., Kalamazoo.	
Kalamazoo, Third	William Weljus	305	160	9	6	7	3	40	2	...	21	...	400	250	1	330	569	293	2,635	1102 N. West St., K. M. O.	
Kalamazoo, Fourth	John H. Kregel	280	155	34	12	3	6	48	...	35	35	3	318	198	1	330	395	243	3,323	136 E. Dutton St., K. M. O.	
Lamont	Vacant	25	151	2	6	1	1	...	...	...	2	...	27	...	1	20	114	3	261	Lamont, Mich.
Moldersville	Vacant	20	12	8	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	35	...	1	35	24	16	77	Falmouth, Mich., R. R. 1.
Muskegon, First	John Luxen	250	225	9	12	5	...	...	...	...	25	...	730	200	3	550	897	771	3,911	106 Spring St., Muskegon.
Muskegon, Third	John Brook	159	63	12	6	1	...	78	...	...	6	...	42	47	1	86	328	66	992	Muskegon, Mich.
New Era	Vacant	148	68	13	3	...	3	...	...	...	7	...	217	58	1	136	263	63	1,301	New Era, Mich.
Plainfield	Vacant	21	10	2	9	4	...	10	3	2	1	...	49	...	1	45	97	159	165	G. Rapids, Mich., R. R. 2.	
Portage	Wm. S. Gruys	96	59	2	9	4	...	14	...	...	8	...	185	72	1	110	313	49	1,186	Portage, Mich.
Rehoboth	Vacant	65	30	6	6	1	5	...	...	9	7	...	57	30	1	35	85	38	554	Lucas, Mich.
South Haven	Vacant	21	17	1	1	...	27	...	...	...	2	...	28	...	...	...	46	...	187	Charlevoix, Mich., R. R. 4.
South Haven	Vacant	15	14	1	1	...	4	4	3	3	3	...	25	...	1	24	60	10	210	South Haven, Mich.	
Spring Lake	Henry Mollema	292	162	14	3	1	5	9	6	...	6	...	264	147	1	165	780	212	2,146	Spring Lake, Mich.	
Twin Lakes	Narinus Cook	61	30	8	4	1	1	2	6	...	1	60	20	1	100	230	68	600	Kalamazoo, Mich., R. R.
Total		6035	3057	325	165	178	1	94	528	118	105	378	23	6553	3238	37	6217	\$24,685	\$7,688	\$72,299	

Other Ministers—Art Van Arendonk, Classical Missionary, Grand Haven, Mich.; Albert Oltmans, Missionary, Tokio, Japan; A. Livingston Warnhuis, Shanghai, China; Willis G. Hoekje, Missionary, Saga, Japan; S. Venema, Emeritus, 625 Innes St., Grand Rapids, Mich.; Henry K. Boer, 107 Central Ave., Wyoming Park, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Cornelius Kriekard, Emeritus, Kalamazoo, Mich.; Albert W. DeJong, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Candidate—Roelof Duiker, Lansing, Ill.

Classical Agents—F. M., O. G. Droppers; D. M., J. Luxen; E. H. Frieling; P. & B. S. W., K. J. Dykema; D. M. F. and W. F., W. S. Gruys; P. M., J. H. Kregel.

Stated Clerks and Treasurer—John Van Westenbergh, Frenont, Mich.

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CLASSIS OF GREENE.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.					OTHERS ENROLLED.		BAPTISMS.			C. C. & B. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.		
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Athens	Henry J. Herge	226	175	12	2	1	4	30	20	10	13	4	40	50	1	187	244	60	2,626 Athens, N. Y.	
Catskill	Vacant	543	347	6	4	2	6	200	155	1	1	4	15	15	1	300	1,418	11	4,900 Catskill, N. Y.	
First Cossackie	William A. Dumont	181	169	4	4	4	3	140	74	25	5	2	40	40	2	217	270	167	2,895 West Cossackie, N. Y.	
Second Cossackie	Charles F. Stube	185	150	4	4	4	4	55	113	113	5	2	2	2	2	167	443	74	3,294 Cossackie, N. Y.	
Kiskatom	John H. Heinrichs, S. S.	95	72	7	1	5	4	25	11	24	4	6	2	2	1	88	141	62	653 Catskill, N. Y.	
Leeds	John H. Heinrichs	95	50	7	1	1	3	33	13	1	1	4	21	1	1	70	103	62	1,272 Leeds, N. Y.	
Total		1,325	854	36	11	16	1	28	428	261	173	23	16	101	66	9	1,029	2,619	374	15,640
<i>Other Ministers</i> —F. V. Van Vranken, 117 Chestnut St., Albany, N. Y.; Walter Winant, 26 West 95th St., N. Y. City; S. O. Lawsing, 442 22nd St., West New York, N. J.																				
<i>Classical Agents</i> —F. M., Wm. A. Dumont; E., F. V. Van Vranken; P. and B. S. W., H. J. Herge; W. F. and D. M. F., Wm. Van Orden, Catskill, N. Y.																				
<i>Stated Clerk and Treasurer</i> —Wm. A. Dumont, West Cossackie, N. Y.																				

CLASSIS OF HOLLAND.—P. S. C.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.				OTHERS ENROLLED.		BAPTISMS.			C. C. & B. S.		CONTRIBUTIONS.		P. O. ADDRESS.		
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Beaverdam	Vacant	100	51	4	2	2	1	6	114	60	1	1	78	\$313	\$322	\$1,179 Zeeland, Mich., R. D. 2.	
First Cleveland	M. G. Van den Bosch	89	43	5	1	9	1	2	57	18	1	1	75	1,251	290	1,485 Cleveland, O., 5807 Lex. A.	
Calvary, Cleveland	T. A. Stegeman	215	88	11	3	11	1	8	177	46	1	1	190	1,616	382	3,238 Cleveland, O., 1920 W. 45.	
Dunningville	Vacant	57	27	3	6	1	5	7	56	25	1	1	54	136		275 Hamilton, Mich., R. F. D.	
East Overisel	Vacant	140	51	11	16	3	3	11	112	56	1	1	95	279		766 Dorr, Mich., R. F. D. 3.	
Ebenezer	A. H. Strabbing	134	52	14	3	1	9	12	4	65	81	1	1	125	590	162	1,319 Holland, Mich., R. D. 7.
Graafschap	Vacant	54	25	3	19	3	21	2	12	48	45	1	1	55	145		700 Holland, Mich., R. D. 8.
First Hamilton	W. C. Walvoord	267	110	6	10	11	5	12	219	132	1	1	270	1,025	128	2,300 Hamilton, Mich., R. D. 11.	
Harlem	B. J. Wynveen	61	27	2	3	2	4	5	38	50	1	1	63	129	18	459 Holland, Mich., R. D. 11.	
First Holland	Henry J. Veldman	650	250	50	38	16	4	35	22	10	29	3	945	2,136	408	5,140 Holland, Mich., R. D. 11.	
Third Holland	Martin Flipse	625	250	26	19	1	4	40	370	228	1	1	841	3,535	534	7,416 Holland, Mich., R. D. 11.	
Fourth Holland	M. E. Breckstra	359	176	18	19	6	13	5	11	1	15	260	180	280	695	406	5,346 Holland, Mich., R. D. 11.
Sixth Holland	Vacant	47	21	1	5	1	1	5	39	62	1	1	135	20	28	870 Holland, Mich., R. D. 11.	
Hudsonville	Vacant	35	20	2	7	2	25	2	40	10	1	1	38	97	6	754 Hudsonville, Mich., R. D. 4.	
First Jamestown	Nicholas Boer	255	108	9	4	6	10	2	216	95	1	1	252	1,763	251	2,000 Hudsonville, Mich., R. D. 4.	
Second Jamestown	George Hankamp	146	70	8	7	12	9	7	127	92	1	1	138	985	322	1,425 Jamestown, Mich., R. D. 3.	
North Blendon	J. J. Burggraaf	66	32	3	1	1	1	6	108	14	1	1	63	139	76	839 Hudsonville, Mich., R. D. 3.	
North Holland	G. Tyse	245	120	33	8	18	3	10	151	151	1	1	234	1,450	53	2,085 Hudsonville, Mich., R. D. 3.	
Ottawa	Vacant	96	28	14	6	19	2	3	48	19	1	1	80	7		2,085 Hudsonville, Mich., R. D. 3.	
Overisel	John Steunenbergh	411	137	9	3	24	5	3	180	155	1	1	261	3,751	473	2,000 Zeeland, Mich., R. D. 1.	
South Blendon	F. M. Wiersma	144	61	3	3	11	4	1	117	67	1	1	145	454	124	2,620 Holland, Mich., R. D. 1.	
Three Oaks	J. W. Te Paske	46	24	5	3	2	1	1	29	40	1	1	130	245	20	1,372 Hudsonville, Mich., R. D. 3.	
Vriesland	Albert Vandenbergh	161	78	12	5	9	4	2	7	140	104	1	1	1,052	151	587	3,557 Three Oaks, Mich., R. D. 5.
First Zeeland	Henry Harmeling	480	177	24	1	7	4	14	218	175	1	1	286	3,100	610	4,281 Vriesland, Mich., R. D. 5.	
Second Zeeland	B. Hoffman	319	135	12	4	4	2	12	162	113	1	1	386	3,141	501	1,417 Zeeland, Mich., R. D. 5.	
Totals		5,012	2,161	286	156	105	3	62	488	136	54	227	16,344	\$28,708	\$4,975	\$56,375	

Other Ministers—A. Pieters, Missionary, Japan; B. Rottschäfer, Missionary, India; L. Hekhuis, Missionary, India; A. Van Broukhorst, Missionary, Japan; H. V. E. Stegeman, Missionary; H. M. Veenschoten, Missionary; G. De Jonge, Classical Missionary, Zeeland, Mich.; J. Hoekje, Holland, Mich.; W. J. Van Kersen, District Secretary, Board of Foreign Missions, Holland, Mich.; S. Vander Werf, Field Secretary, Board of Domestic Missions, Holland, Mich.

Classical Agents—F. M., B. Hoffman; D. M., G. Tyse; E., George Hankamp; P. & B. S. W., A. H. Strabbing; P. M., W. C. Walvoord; D. M. F. and W. F., N. Boer.

Stated Clerk and Treasurer—G. DeJonge, Zeeland, Mich.

CLASSIS OF HUDSON.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.					OTHERS ENROLLED.			BAPTISMS.			C. & B. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.	
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Claverack	Herman Hageman	224	114	6	3	5	60	67	8	6	1	56	75	3	225	\$544	\$138	\$2,873	Claverack, Col. Co., N. Y.	
Gallatin	Vacant	100	62	3	3	3	25	14	22	1	1	5	20	1	55	68	132	700	Mt. Ross, Dut's Co., N. Y.	
Germanatown	Benjamin F. White	224	124	8	2	1	62	50	5	2	5	53	1	1	135	342	132	2,290	German'tn, Col. Co., N. Y.	
Greenport	Vacant	123	92	4	2	2	33	87	6	5	3	30	2	2	169	208	92	1,271	Hudson, N. Y., R. D. #2	
Hudson	J. M. Martin	404	211	11	14	6	150	125	5	3	3	18	3	2	270	1,135	378	6,157	Hudson, Col. Co., N. Y.	
Hudson Hungarian	Vacant†	60	25	20	3	6	20	18	2	2	1	3	3	2	29	15	144	276	Hudson, Col. Co., N. Y.	
Livingthgo	M. J. Den Herder	161	96	2	3	1	58	42	6	6	1	35	1	1	113	332	144	1,576	Livingston, Col. Co., N. Y.	
Livingston Memorial	E. T. F. Randolph	49	50	3	1	1	50	27	1	1	2	15	1	1	37	50	37	*1,318	Livingthgo, Col. Co., N. Y.	
Mellenville	Vacant	212	102	18	12	4	29	33	7	2	3	40	2	2	188	343	162	1,141	Mellenville, Col. Co., N. Y.	
Philmont	M. C. T. Andreae	257	175	38	14	11	35	93	35	2	11	40	4	1	150	1,129	80	2,551	Philmont, Col. Co., N. Y.	
West Copake	Vacant	6	41	2	1	1	10	24	1	2	2	12	1	1	81	31	16	1,109	W. Copake, Col. Co., N. Y.	
Total		1,880	1,122	112	51	40	35	532	538	114	33	28	269	82	16	1452	\$4,197	\$1,179	\$21,675	
<i>Other Ministers</i> —D. T. Harris, Wurtsboro, N. Y.; John Van Burk, Lenoxdale, Mass.; F. A. Forre, Rifton Glen, N. Y.; Philip Jonker, Chaplain, U. S. Army.																				
<i>Classical Agents</i> —F. M., M. J. Den Herder; D. M., E. T. F. Randolph; P. & B. S. W., M. J. Den Herder; E., B. F. White; D. M. F. and W. F., D. T. Harris.																				
<i>Stated Clerk</i> —H. Hageman, Claverack, N. Y.																				
<i>Treasurer</i> —M. Van de Bogart, Hudson, N. Y.																				
*317 for Repairs. †Last year's report.																				

CLASSIS OF ILLINOIS.—P. S. C.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.						OTHERS ENROLLED.		BAPTISMS.				C. C. & E. S.				CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.
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Bethany	John Lamar	540	250	18	17	11	3	25	13	...	24	1	260	150	2	785	\$1,968	\$629	\$5,565	50 W. 111th St., Chicago.	
Englewood, 2nd	Lawrence Dykstra	194	90	15	6	10	2	4	20	20	11	3	175	40	1	200	511	386	2,073	907 W. 66th St., Chicago.	
Emmanuel	Luppo Potgieter	34	50	7	10	6	6	1	25	14	6	...	86	40	1	200	255	95	3,715	22 E. 102 St., Chicago.	
Hungarian West Side	Supplied	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	265	210 S. Aschl'd Av., Chic.
Fairview	Jerry P. Winter	192	100	5	1	5	40	58	...	...	1	2	46	25	1	175	682	420	1,730	Fairview, Ill.
Kensington Ital. Mission	Joseph M. A. Papa	78	20	8	...	...	10	...	...	...	...	...	30	17	1	75	...	...	...	245 W. 112th Pl., Chicago.
*Manito	Vacant	13	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	...	...	Manito, Ill.
North Western	Supplied	46	38	5	1	4	...	14	30	...	7	...	40	22	1	66	20	35	1,250	153 Institute Pl., Chicago.	
*Pennsylvania Lane	Vacant	50	30	...	...	...	...	75	27	...	...	...	11	6	1	60	20	...	400	Marion City, Ill.
*Raritan	Supplied	54	40	1	1	1	...	6	24	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	50	25	911	Raritan, Ill.
Spring Lake	Theodore Shafer	50	18	1	1	1	...	12	6	8	1	35	86	30	427	Manito, Ill.
Trinity	Jacob Heemstra	126	52	3	1	15	...	25	41	...	...	...	90	8	...	2	150	234	2,294	357 S. Homan Av., Chic.
Total		1438	748	62	36	48	8	15	252	223	65	6	746	308	12	1796	\$4,220	\$1,829	\$19,630		
Other Ministers—J. S. Joralmon, Los Angeles, Cal.; Alois A. Krisik, Aurora, Ill.; James Sterenberg, Galesburg, Ill.; Douwe De Groot, 67 E. 102nd Place, Chicago, Ill.																					
Classical Agents—F. M., J. Heemstra; D. M., J. Lamar; E., J. Sterenberg; D. M. F. and W. F., Mr. T. R. De Vries, 528 W. 103rd Place, Chicago, Ill.; P. & E. S. W., Mr. J. F. Otto, 241 W. 110th St., Chicago, Ill.																					
Stated Clerk and Treasurer—Jacob Heemstra, 357 S. Homan, Ave., Chicago, Ill.																					
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Stated Cleric and Treasurer—Jacob Heemstra, 357 S. Homan, Ave., Chicago, Ill.
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CHURCHES.

PASTORS.

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Alton	Jacob P. De Jong	231	93	17	1	7	2	8	10	12	9	11	11	166	96	3	160	\$4,669	\$965	\$2,857
Alvord	Vacant	16	12	2	2	3	5	1	10	4	...	30	29	3	25	184	25	186
Archer	S. J. Menning	50	33	5	3	5	...	1	19	...	...	7	1	82	55	1	70	342	370	1,029
Bethel (Leota)	J. J. Van der Schaaf	107	74	6	10	1	...	1	11	...	...	12	...	199	110	1	150	1,041	286	2,771
Bigelow	Harry Hoffa	35	19	2	3	5	...	...	15	...	...	10	...	68	43	1	40	60	...	625
Boydton	A. J. Van Lummel	216	137	30	20	11	...	5	...	...	...	24	1	379	175	1	225	2,184	1,248	8,191
Carmel	Henry Schut	119	69	7	4	9	...	4	...	...	...	8	3	241	110	1	125	1,637	573	2,843
Chandler	H. E. Reinhardt	92	47	21	6	13	...	...	16	6	3	15	...	137	90	1	90	535	136	1,750
Churchville	Geo. E. Cook	40	25	2	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	2	...	97	68	1	59	69	7	1,262
Clara City	Vacant	21	15	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	65	71	...	1,475
Doon	E. S. Schlusstra	43	22	1	...	4	...	...	16	...	...	6	...	99	50	1	65	408	214	1,635
Edgerton	John De Jongh	105	62	4	8	17	...	1	22	...	...	6	...	126	61	1	90	751	223	2,674
Fairview	Vacant	140	90	7	4	12	...	2	10	8	...	18	...	280	140	1	175	2,273	501	1,872
Free Grace (Middleburg)	H. Douwstra	13	6	...	...	...	...	...	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	102
Friesland	T. L. De Lange	11	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	46
Frutland Mesa	J. W. Te Selle, S. S.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	24	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,386
Holland	Geo. H. Douwstra	343	144	20	7	4	...	4	9	...	...	16	1	315	133	1	291	5,101	500	1,963
Hospers	P. A. J. Bouma	182	77	14	9	13	...	...	...	...	...	18	...	241	169	1	200	1,791	304	4,335
Hull	H. A. J. Bouma	302	162	11	14	22	1	3	7	...	...	32	1	368	165	4	298	10,879	895	1,489
Inwood	H. Mulleburg	43	25	5	5	11	...	...	1	2	...	6	...	80	19	1	65	480	211	1,300
Ireton	Wm. Stegeman	40	39	1	1	2	...	1	3	3	3	7	...	132	46	1	60	66	34	724
Ireton	Vacant	41	21	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	35	162	72	942
Lester	C. Lepeltak	54	23	...	2	10	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	54	41	1	52	400	113	5,849
Lucifer	John Vanderbeek	204	101	7	14	13	...	1	18	...	...	13	...	210	190	1	218	3,664	779	1,169
Maurice	Vacant	29	12	5	2	4	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	47	33	1	30	71	20	1,106
Matlock	E. Furda	40	26	8	9	3	...	...	...	...	...	8	...	49	30	1	45	74	20	5,604
Melvin	R. D. Douwstra	235	110	15	10	12	...	5	15	12	...	13	...	315	160	1	200	3,937	938	...

CLASSIS OF IOWA.—P. S. C.—(Continued.)

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.						OTHERS ENROLLED.		BAPTISMS.		C. C. & B. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.		
		Total Number of Communicants.	Gains.		Losses.		Adherents.	Absent List.	Inactive List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non-Communi- cants.	Instruction by Pastors.	No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enroll- ment.	For Denomina- tional Purposes.	For Other Objects.		For Congrega- tional Purposes.	
			On Confes- sion.	On Certifi- cation.	By Dismiss- al.	By Dis- cipline.														By Death.
Orange City, First	J. Engelsman	562	224	22	36	39	9	65	17	14	656	270	1	410	\$9,626	\$1,586	\$7,041	Orange City, Iowa.		
Pella	Wm. Rottschaefer	151	68	8	1	1	1	1	22	1	13	141	85	1	110	1,210	776	1,694	Adams, Nebraska, R. 2.	
Prairie View	F. B. Mansen	171	75	3	4	3	2	3	5	2	12	174	125	1	173	709	207	2,365	Prairie View, Kansas.	
Rock Rapids	Vacant	42	22	7	8	10	2	2	2	11	63	45	1	45	105	90	1,017	Rock Rapids, Iowa.		
Rock Valley	Henry Colenbrander	136	92	22	6	2	2	10	5	4	18	297	149	1	184	1,838	327	5,387	Rock Valley, Iowa.	
Roseland	P. Siegers	88	44	8	3	2	1	7	5	4	4	122	80	1	85	430	45	2,050	Svea, Kandiyohi Co., M.	
Rottterdam	John Hoffman	92	25	1	6	1	1	7	5	5	2	47	20	1	54	123	47	534	Cawker City, Kan., R. 3.	
Sandborn	B. R. Van Zyl	58	42	17	16	6	1	7	1	5	15	1	111	78	1	85	447	98	1,908	Sandborn, Iowa.
Sandstone	T. L. De Lange	201	128	17	17	13	3	102	2	3	4	90	40	1	60	59	14	421	Sanborton, Minnesota.	
Sheldon	H. Van der Naald	37	24	1	11	9	1	12	9	1	17	282	158	1	180	966	227	3,455	Sheldon, Iowa.	
Sibley	Harry Hoffa	37	24	1	11	9	1	12	9	1	17	282	158	1	180	966	227	3,455	Sheldon, Iowa.	
Silver Creek	F. W. Lammers	104	42	14	4	1	1	25	9	1	15	3	189	67	1	93	1,198	1,392	Maple Lake, Minnesota.	
Sioux Center, First	F. Lubbers	429	241	32	14	16	2	14	4	3	39	1	587	313	1	419	11,504	4,283	Sioux Center, Iowa.	
Sioux Center, Central	A. Haverkamp	191	94	11	9	13	5	14	4	1	5	164	132	1	190	2,154	467	3,373	Sioux Center, Iowa.	
Sioux City	Vacant	41	18	8	1	1	1	10	8	1	6	1	50	27	1	40	275	375	Sioux City, Iowa.	
Spring Creek	Vacant	22	13	3	1	1	1	25	1	1	6	42	90	1	48	62	73	128	Gary, Minn., R. R. 2.	
Steen	G. Bosch	136	76	2	12	7	2	15	6	1	17	267	90	1	139	932	36	1,550	Steen, Minn.	
Twin Brooks	J. J. Dragt, S. S.	20	10	4	1	1	1	15	3	3	3	2	24	18	1	25	235	36	220	Twin Brooks, S. Dak.
Valley Springs	Vacant	20	10	3	3	3	3	9	9	2	2	24	18	1	25	235	36	220	Valley Springs, S. Dak.	
Volga	Vacant	26	20	2	1	4	3	9	9	1	7	76	25	1	31	21	28	406	Volga, S. Dak.	
Wichita	Vacant	19	14	3	3	3	3	9	9	1	60	25	19	1	60	21	28	350	Wichita, Kansas.	
Total		5,349	2,733	378	271	309	8	72	600	147	46	466	13,729	3,797	49	5,138	\$73,162	\$14,281	\$94,909	

Other Ministers—S. M. Zwemer, D. D., Cairo, Egypt; Jas. E. Moerdyk, Busrah, Arabia; H. Kuyper, Orange City, Iowa; G. D. Van Peursem, Muscat, Arabia; Jas. De Pree, Sioux Center, Iowa; J. J. Dragt, (Emeritus), Twin Brooks, S. D.; J. Van Houste, (Emeritus) Boyden, Iowa; J. Brummel, Armour, S. D.; Thos. E. Welmers, Orange City, Iowa; G. J. Penning, Bahrein, Arabia; J. D. Grul, Orange City, Iowa; Jacob Poppin, Boyden, Ia.; John H. Bruggers, France; Henry Poppin, Amoy, China; D. J. DeBy, Orange City, Iowa.

Classical Missionaries—J. W. Kots, Matlock, Iowa; F. G. Dekker, Rock Rapids, Iowa; D. Scholten, Valley Springs, So. Dakota.

Classical Agents—F. M., E. S. Schilstra; D. M., G. H. Douwstra; P. and B. S. W., J. J. Vander Schaaf; S. B., G. Bosch.

Stated Clerk and Treasurer—Thomas E. Welmers, Orange City, Iowa.

CLASSIS OF KINGSTON.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.						OTHERS ENROLLED.		BAPTISMS.			C. C. & B. S.		CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.
		Total Number of Families.	No. of Church Communicants.	Gains.		Losses.		Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non-Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enrollment.	For Denominational Purposes.	For Other Objects.	For Congressional Purposes.		
				On Confession.	On Certification.	By Dismissal.	By Discipline.										By Death.		Adherents.	Absent List.	Inactive List.
Bloomington	A. A. Zabriskie	90	80	3	1	5	3					1	90	\$250	\$101	\$1,000	Bloomington, N. Y.	
The Cove	G. C. Dagremond	125	88	2	1	5	3					1	181	189	50	1,634	High Falls, N. Y.	
Dashville	John Neander	120	68	4	6	1	1					1	195	139	45	1,806	Rifton, N. Y.	
Gardiner	Vacant	4	30	2	2	2	1					1	26	23	95	95	Gardiner, N. Y.	
Guilford	Salvin E. Lasher, P. 6m.	125	60	5	5	5	2					1	91	381	265	1,274	Hurley, N. Y.	
Hurley	Jesse F. Durfee	375	240	10	21	8	13					1	349	688	281	4,568	Hurley, N. Y.	
Kingston	Frank B. Seeley	25	33	1	1	1	1					1	65	20	16	375	Krumville, N. Y.	
Krumville	T. A. Beckman	108	61	2	1	1	1					1	33	17	23	221	Krumville, N. Y.	
Lyonsville	T. A. Beckman	42	22	1	1	1	1					1	30	169	63	1,569	Stone Ridge, N. Y.	
Marbleton	Chauncey N. Stevens	349	235	14	7	1	1					1	478	944	70	3,079	Hurley, N. Y.	
Marbleton, North	Jesse F. Durfee	49	43	2	2	2	1					1	44	100	30	296	New Paltz, N. Y.	
New Paltz	H. D. Frost	79	43	2	2	2	1					1	80	100	50	1,710	Accord, N. Y.	
Rochester	Vacant	49	45	1	1	1	1					1	44	100	50	296	Rosendale, N. Y.	
Rosendale	Vacant	79	43	2	2	2	1					1	80	100	50	296	Rosendale, N. Y.	
Plains	Vacant	35	12	2	2	2	1					1	80	10	17	280	Tillson, N. Y.	
St. Remy	Vacant	187	123	42	46	36	39					1	80	10	17	280	St. Remy, N. Y.	
Total		1876	1231	42	46	36	39					18	2116	\$2,904	\$1,000	\$18,489		
Other Ministers—James Cantine, D. D., Muscat, Arabia; M. V. Oggel, U. S. Army Chaplain. Classical Agents—F. M., T. A. Beckman; D. M., Jesse F. Durfee; E. C. N. Stevens; P. & B. S. W., J. Neander; D. M. F. & W. F., A. A. Zabriskie; P. M., H. D. Frost. Stated Clerk and Treasurer—Frank B. Seeley, Kingston, N. Y.																		

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Stated Clerk and Treasurer—Frank B. Seeley, Kingston, N. Y.

NORTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.				OTHERS ENROLLED.			BAPTISMS.				C. C. & B. S.		CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.		
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Jamaica.	Robert Kerr Wick	575	310	24	4	17	5	70	74	8	2	106	2	646	\$2,039	\$1,328	\$10,059	221 Fulton St., Jamaica.		
Newtown.	Charles K. Clearwater	245	100	5	4	2	1	40	50	5			1	197	175	1,025	4,150	23 Victor Pl., Elmhurst.		
Oyster Bay	William H. Jackson	109	80				4	20	33	3			1	60	75	25	3,600	Glen Head, L. I., N. Y.		
North Hempstead	Oscar Maddaus	176	134	2	8	2	7	45	5	8	5	13	3	200	150	680	3,817	Manhasset, L. I., N. Y.		
Williamsburgh	W. W. Clark, Act'g Pas.	134	110	1	2	6	3	35					1	86	244	164	532	Clinton Av., Brooklyn.		
Astoria.	Arthur Roosendaal	227	155	11	7	10	45	196	51	21	4	50	1	155	329	112	5,463	710 S. Parsons St., Astoria.		
Flushing	Thomas H. Mackenzie	474	234	6	14	4	3	7	60	122	16	14	4	1	278	420	575	10,409	37 S. Parsons St., Astoria.	
Kent St., Brooklyn.	Amos I. Dushaw	400	175	1	5	6	4	50	119	175	30	2	21	1	900	83	250	6,338	283 Highland Blv., Bk'n	
South Bushwick	Andrew J. Meyer	525	325	41	5	3	2	45	31	26	1		7	1	65	159	245	2,026	520 2d Av., Astoria, L. I.	
Second Astoria	C. D. F. Steinfuhrer	142	95	2	6	2	100	3					1	318	640	76	3,418	Queen, L. I., N. Y.		
Queens	D. Everitt Lyon	119	79	5			1	10		45	2	30	1	400	85	100	3,841	142 Penn St., Brooklyn.		
German Ev., Brooklyn	George G. Wacker	350	150	12			4	20	10	8	8	1	120	70	235	133	122	1,967	West Sayville, L. I., N. Y.	
Sayville	Cornelius Muller	167	90				1	40	40	5			1	146	108	107	2,469	Locust Valley, L. I., N. Y.		
Locust Valley	Edward W. Miller	85	50	27	6		1	13	53	20	5	97	14	339	995	143	2,493	College Point, L. I., N. Y.		
College Point	Henry Sluyter	248	115	8	5	4	1	75	43	5	15		30	1	200	352	153	2,533	102 Academy St., L. I. C'y.	
First L. I. City	Daniel P. Doyle	135	115	8	5	4	10	45	55	36	1	15	1	175	40	225	2,100	Herriman Av., Jan. Y.		
German Ev., Jamaica	Frederick Stoebener	325	180	27			1							50			800	Hicksville, L. I., N. Y.		
Hicksville	Irving P. Emerick	50	30											96	50	15	1,550	Elmhurst, L. I., N. Y.		
German, Newtown	John G. Boschart	150	50	13			3	22	3	47	14	4	56	27	1	338	33	1,833	Steinway, L. I., N. Y.	
Steinway	Preston F. Strauss	189	211	28	3	2	3	25	40	36	2		11	1	300	52	20	2,634	71 Harman St., Brooklyn.	
Church of Jesus	Christian Oswald	180	88	15		3		40	3	4	3		1	1	126	65	53	901	New Hyde Park, L. I.	
New Hyde Park	Andrew E. Van Antwerpen	63	50	1	6		1	23	4	9	10	1	3	78	1	78	12	574	Sunny Side, L. I., N. Y.	
Sunny Side	Vacant	53	28	25	1		30	24	8	5		35		1	189	65		1,705	4 Fish Ave., Winfield, L. I.	
Winfield	William T. E. Adams	95	46	13	2									7	54	40	80	1,683	Central Ave., F. Rock Y.	
German Ev., Far R.	A. Q. Wettstein	80	40				4			4	1							1,908	142 Penn St., Brooklyn.	
German Ev., Manhattan	George G. Wacker	10531	3038	279	77	80	1	891	681	556	499	330	301	381	434	29	6047	\$9,133	\$6,157	\$81,947
Total																				

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Other Ministers—Lewis Francis, Pelham Manor, N. Y.; Ernest Gutweiler, Hicksville, N. Y.; Robt. H. Barr, S. S. Associate Reformed Church, Newburgh, N. Y.; John Baumeister, 402 Amity St., Flushing, N. Y.; Walter T. Scudder, Vellore, Madras, India; E. E. Calverley, Arabia; Minor Swick, 54 S. Parsons Ave., Flushing, N. Y.; Alexander Shaw, Long Island City, N. Y.; J. S. N. Demarest, Queens, N. Y.; E. Fred Eastman, Roslyn, N. Y.; George J. Schoerk, Yonkers, N. Y.

Classical Agents—F. M., Robert K. Wick; D. M., Henry Sluyter; E., P. F. Strauss; D. M. F. & W. F., Elder J. H. Vanderveer, Elmhurst, N. Y.; P. & B. S. W., Andrew J. Meyer.

Stated Clerk and Treasurer—Rev. Charles K. Clearwater, 23 Victor Place, Elmhurst, L. I.

PASTORS.

CHURCHES.

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1st Reformed, Brooklyn	Vacant	877	350	29	26	38	13	150	375	5	3	1	280	\$2,021	\$3,410	7th Ave. & Carroll St.
Flatbush (First)	J. M. Farrar, P. Em.	325	400	23	7	7	9	350	30	3	1	1	430	3,426	4,246	1242 Dean St. Brooklyn
Grace Reformed	G. W. Carter	230	133	16	15	11	2	30	48	8	3	30	1	234	1,986	900 Flatbush Ave., B'k'n.
New Utrecht	Orville E. Fisher	325	135	16	4	10	2	50	50	50	8	1	284	1,183	1,359	4615 1828 83d St. Brooklyn
Gravesend, First	O. M. Fletcher	252	161	15	13	8	8	80	70	8	1	1	2	347	1,077	5287 145 Neck Road, B'k'n.
Flatlands	Charles W. Roeder	326	200	16	10	4	6	250	60	13	2	2	691	732	673	9240 1260 E. 40th St., B'k'n.
New Lots	John S. Gardner, P. Em.															Somerville, N. J.
Forest Park	Howard C. Hasbrouck	104	80				1			7		1	191	45	10	1590 633 Schenck Ave., B'k'n.
South Brooklyn	Floyd L. Cornish	359	192	19	21	4	2	121		11	6	1	389	268	175	3439 Brandon Ave., B'k'n.
Twelfth St.	R. Anderson Watson	840	496	52	16	24	4	454		29	4	1	954	1,195	1,041	461-46th St., Brooklyn
Church-on-the-Heights	John C. Rauscher	740	400	37	4	20	10	100	200	38	6	1	750	2,733	300	12619 136 Prospect Pk., West.
New Brooklyn	F. F. Shannon	76	27	1	1	8	3	487		2		1	25	2,885	641	7223 196 Columbia Hts., B'k'n.
Second Flatbush	Fred C. Erhardt	325	158	25	1		13	120	110	35	10	23	313	90	65	3,658 1062 Herkimer St., B'k'n.
Canarsie	H. J. Wahl						8			8		1	60			2091 1155 Bedford Av., B'k'n.
St. Thomas, U. S. A.	Jacob Meier	188	90	20			3	50	35	15	1	12	300	114	60	471 St. Thomas, V. I., U. S. A.
Ocean Hill	B. J. Folsombee	68	42	14			3	24		3		13	31	55	19	1,785 1239 Herkimer St., B'k'n.
Edgewood	Alexander Hageman	136	101	10	2	8	3	37	35	22	2	5	283	115	51	3,250 1415 57th St.
Ridgewood	George R. Israel	287	146	20	4	9	1	27	48	12	6	20	180	429	318	1,999 1839 Decatur St., B'k'n.
Woodlawn	John G. Addy	172	54	25	3	3	25	62		42	2	45	14	225	45	3,207 1460 E. 10th St., B'k'n.
Greenwood Heights	John G. Tyndall	224	141	20	3	5	2			6	6	13	356	274	328	3,077 526 47 St., Brooklyn
Bay Ridge	Stanley G. Tyndall	289	125	25	12	2	2	60	25	15	2	25	350	198	244	4,153 151 80th St., Brooklyn
Barren Island	Vacant	214	107	6	1			38	30	1		1	141	323		
Total		6687	3572	401	146	173		971317	2226	299	289	51	107	142	24	7010 \$17,947 \$35,116 \$84,376

Other Ministers—Daniel Rapelje, 10 Palmer Ave., Plainfield, N. J.; A. De W. Mason, 222 Garfield Place, Brooklyn, N. Y.; A. M. Quick, 56 7th Ave., Brooklyn; M. A. Denman, 96 Maplewood Terrace, Springfield, Mass.; O. J. Scudder, 19 Kirkpatrick St., New Brunswick, N. J.; John E. Lloyd, 806 Carroll St., Brooklyn; C. T. Anderson, Somerville, N. J.; R. F. D. No. 2; Ralph C. Morris, 1361 53rd St., Brooklyn, N. Y.; Frederick P. Young, 151 80th St., Brooklyn, A. J. Derbyshire, Y. M. C. A. War Work, A. H. Leslie.

Classical Agents—F. M., J. G. Addy; D. M., J. C. Rauscher; E. O. E. Fisher; P. & B. S. W., A. Hageman; P. M., A. DeW. Mason.

Stated Clerk and Treasurer—John S. Gardner, Somerville, N. J.

CLASSIS OF MICHIGAN—P. S. C.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.				OTHERS ENROLLED.		BAPTISMS.		C. C. & B. S.		CONTRIBUTIONS.		P. O. ADDRESS.						
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Allendale, First	Charles Anton Stoppels	67	25	6	66	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	60	\$24	\$87	\$28 R. R. I. Jonison, Mich.	
Amer'n Ref., Hamilton	Raymond D. Meengs	63	22	3	3	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	106	266	61	1,811 Hamilton, Mich.	
Bethany, Grand Rapids	James Wayer	377	171	61	20	13	1	16	17	16	14	3	316	171	1	704	2,006	631	5,188 735 Baldwin St., G. R. R.'s	
Bethany, Kalamazoo	Jacob Van der Meulen	231	133	17	5	7	1	4	7	1	19	5	161	110	1	703	904	432	2,657 265 Burr Oak St., Kal'zo	
Bethel, Grand Rapids	Arend J. TePaske	187	94	27	9	3	3	23	3	3	10	5	148	133	1	267	209	222	3,134 1721 N. Colt Ave., G. R.	
Calvary, Grand Rapids	Clarence P. Dame	103	47	18	19	3	1	25	6	5	1	1	85	65	1	190	480	65	2,152 1507 E. Fulton St., G. R.	
Grace, Grand Rapids	C. H. Spaan	235	115	30	19	6	1	45	3	1	3	2	211	129	1	429	1,179	115	3,352 82 Caulfield Ave., G. R.'s	
Grand Haven, Second	Henry A. Vruwink	177	87	8	9	2	6	38	42	6	5	1	70	91	1	230	388	236	2,952 Grand Haven, Mich.	
Grand Rapids, First	Vacant*	284	171	19	21	6	4	72	12	4	5	1	200	60	1	165	1,242	439	6,388 124 Grand Ave., G. R. R.'s	
Grand Rapids, Second	Vacant*	433	160	28	6	7	7	4	10	15	19	3	290	60	1	315	2,906	275	4,950 Grand Rapids, Mich.	
Hope, Holland	Paul P. Cheff	418	250	14	11	23	1	4	25	14	2	3	162	139	1	281	2,409	1,242	6,230 75 W. 11th St., Hol., M'h	
Immanuel, Grand Rapids	Isaac Van Westenburgh	262	123	33	24	8	4	25	14	1	24	4	162	139	1	319	2,409	1,242	6,230 75 W. 11th St., Hol., M'h	
Kalamazoo, Second	John Van Peursen	302	171	2	2	17	3	34	62	5	1	1	30	25	1	300	2,587	23	3,880 Kalamazoo, Mich.	
Knap Ave. G. Rapids	Vacant	40	18	2	1	3	1	50	3	1	5	1	30	25	1	50	65	...	650 Grand Rapids, Mich.	
Muskegon, Second	Anthony Karreman	262	128	8	12	18	3	23	11	11	11	11	91	90	1	344	1,104	375	6,923 Muskegon, Mich.	
North Park, Kalamazoo	Richard Vanden Berg	126	62	21	7	2	2	20	5	6	14	2	365	235	1	185	564	243	2,265 314 N. Pat'n St., Kal'zo	
Trinity, Holland	Vacant	377	155	40	55	17	3	12	5	3	18	1	365	235	1	615	859	472	5,469 495 Central Ave., Hol., M.	
Trinity, Grand Rapids	John Van Zomerem	190	98	26	17	10	7	55	2	14	2	228	156	1	375	541	135	5,018 1290 Davis Ave., G. R.		
Unity, Muskegon	Vacant	24	12	3	2	3	1	200	1	1	9	2	60	35	1	175	541	135	5,018 1290 Davis Ave., G. R.	
Zion Ref., Grand Rapids	Ralph Bloemendal	34	20	4	8	7	1	40	1	1	7	2	28	35	1	160	152	60	1,259 1973 Jefferson Av., G. R.	
Total		4192	2021	370	290	157	1	47	755	252	192	183	35	2326	1620	20	5864	\$19,368	\$5,446	\$71,756

Other Ministers—P. Moerdyke, Holland, Mich.; James Ossewaarde, U. S. Army; H. V. S. Peeke, 25 E. 22nd St., New York; George W. Scarlet, Ridgeway, Mich.; David Van Strien, Kurume, Japan; John H. Warnshuis, Ranipetta, India; Ph. G. Meengs, 1114 Baldwin St., Grand Rapids, Mich.; Henry A. Bilkert, Bahrein, Arabia.

Classical Agents—F. M., C. P. Dame; D. M. F. and W., F. C. H. Spaan; E., I. Van Westenbergh; P. and B. S. W., J. Van der Meulen.

Stated Clerk and Treasurer—Jacob Van der Meulen, Kalamazoo, Mich.

*1st and 2d Grand Rapids consolidated into "Grand Rapids Central."

CLASSIS OF MONMOUTH.—P. S. N. B.

JUNE, 1918.

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CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.			OTHERS ENROLLED.			BAPTISMS.			C. C. & B. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.						
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First, Freehold	Charles L. Palmer	217	103	6	2	1	3	3	30	16	1	4	1	1	1	130	\$277	\$251	\$2,388	Marlboro, N. J.
Holmdel	Wilbur MacNair	99	45	3	1	1	3	1	25	30	35	1	54	137	89	1,451	Holmdel, N. J.
Middletown	Marion T. Conklin	132	70	3	1	2	8	6	75	59	58	2	70	135	98	1,271	Middletown, N. J.
Second, Freehold	John E. Meritz	371	186	7	17	8	21	17	45	25	9	6	235	1,025	455	4,786	Freehold, N. J.
Keyport	Frank T. R. Reynolds	116	81	3	1	1	4	1	12	40	1	1	100	200	60	1,680	Keyport, N. J.
Long Branch	Alfred Duncombe	205	120	4	1	1	4	1	16	20	2	2	126	75	16	2,686	Long Branch, N. J.
Cult's Neck	O. Van Beverhoudt	109	56	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	85	141	61	1,136	Cult's Neck, N. J.
Asbury Park	Garrett M. Conover	167	66	3	5	1	1	1	4	45	1	1	110	87	62	2,400	414 Sewall Ave., A. Pk.
Red Bank	Lester G. Leggett	329	134	8	1	1	1	1	4	60	46	14	4	140	122	293	2,000	Red Bank, N. J.
Total		1,727	861	40	30	18	1	1	19	338	264	108	18	38	4	10	139	139	\$2,201	\$1,272	\$19,778	
Other Ministers—Elias Mead, Passaic, N. J.; Garrett Wyckoff, Red Bank, N. J.; W. H. Van Doren, Princeton, N. J.; H. J. Vyverberg, Hemet, Cal.																							
Classical Agents—F. M., L. G. Leggett; D. M., O. Van Beverhoudt; E., Chas. L. Palmer; P. and B. S. W. F., T. B. Reynolds; D. M. F., G. M. Conover.																							
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 W. R., Mr. Francis V. Many.
 Stated Clerk and Treasurer—Garrett M. Conover, Asbury Park, N. J.

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CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.							OTHERS ENROLLED.			BAPTISMS.			C. C. & B. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.		
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Naumburgh	Vacant	17	7																				Castorland, N. Y.
Owasco	Supplied	133	140	10	3	5				1	50	48	15	3	8	25		1	150	115	14	1,165	Owasco, N. Y.
Outlet	Ira Van Allen, S. S.	27	10	2						1	40	60		1	1	25	10		1	95	10		Auburn R. D., N. Y.
St. Johnsville	H. Curtis Ficken	267	179	22	8	12				1	40	30		5	12	1		1	190	271	140	3,025	St. Johnsville, N. Y.
Sprakers	Vacant	64	48							34	30					1		1	62			266	Sprakers, N. Y.
Stone Arabia	Royal A. Stanton	52	21							2	17	12	4	1		19		1	93	50	62	500	Fort Plains R. D., N. Y.
Syracuse, First	Ulysses G. Warren	390	250	30	10	5				3	50	10				12		1	150	900	1,800	8,500	Syracuse, N. Y.
Syracuse, Second	Alex. S. Van Dyck	179	108	10	12	8				1	58	28	32	9	1	31		1	290	180	63	2,379	Syracuse, N. Y.
Thousand Islands	C. Fred Benjamin, Jr.	175	150	10	2	3				5	75	50		20	4			1	300	67	100	1,600	Alexandria Bay, N. Y.
Utica (Christ)	Louis H. Holden	223	180	12	11	2				3	85	3	94	5	8			1	84	425	49	4,779	Utica, N. Y.
West Leyden	Vacant*	37	25							19	11							1	40				West Leyden, N. Y.
Total		4678	3138	222	109	85	12	58	1238	759	401	99	66	333	76	33	4072	6,890	6,709	53,364			

Other Ministers—Joel Loucks, Canajoharie, N. Y.; Ira Van Allen, 406 Fayette Park, Syracuse, N. Y.; P. A. Wessels, Amsterdam, N. Y.
 Classical Agents—F. M., Royal A. Stanton; D. M., U. G. Warren; E., Edward J. Meeker; P. and B. S. W., H. C. Cussler; P. M., Thomas J. Kirkwood;
 W. F. and D. M. F., Elder E. O. Bartlett, Amsterdam, N. Y.
 Stated Clerk and Treasurer—Geo. G. Seibert, Interlaken, N. Y.
 *Last year's report.

CLASSIS OF NEW YORK.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.						OTHERS ENROLLED.			BAPTISMS.			C. C. & B. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.		
		Total Number of Communicants.	Families.		On Confession.	On Certification.	By Dismissal.	By Discipline.	By Death.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Inactive List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non-Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enrollment.	For Denominational Purposes.		For Other Objects.	For Congregational Purposes.
New York Collegiate.	David James Barrell.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 W. 29th St., N. Y.
The Marble	W. N. P. Dady	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 W. 29th St., N. Y.
The Marble	O. P. Barnhill	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 W. 29th St., N. Y.
The Marble	Malcolm J. MacLeod	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 W. 48th St., N. Y.
St. Nicholas	Arthur F. Mabon	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 W. 48th St., N. Y.
St. Nicholas	Henry E. Cobb	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 W. 48th St., N. Y.
The West End	Thos. McE. Nichols	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	370 W. End Ave., N. Y.
The West End	Edgar F. Romig	5785, 2730	184	95	84	53	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	98	13	10	3448	\$96, 736	\$22, 242	.....	.....	.....	.....	368 W. End Ave., N. Y.
The Middle	Vacant	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50 E. 7th St., N. Y.
North Chapel	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fort Washington	Irving H. Berg	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2611 S'dew'k Ave., N. Y.
34th St.	Robert W. Courtney	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	305 W. 46th St., N. Y.
Knox Memorial	E. G. W. Meury	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	405 W. 41st St., N. Y.
Vermilye Chapel	Winfred R. Ackert	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	416 W. 54th St., N. Y.
Sunshine Chapel	H. W. Murphy	1270	625	45	25	29	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	20	5	2	600	7, 230	3, 800	.....	.....	.....	.....	550 West 40th St., N. Y.
Harlem	Edgar Tilton, Jr.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	269 Lenox Ave., N. Y.
Elmsdorf Chapel	Floyd Decker	209	152	14	4	6	8	40	32	72	5	6	16	1	234	956	310	.....	.....	.....	.....	178 East 122d St., N. Y.
Staten Island	Otto L. F. Mohr	237	113	2	3	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	1	1	125	255	300	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,508 Port Richmond St., S. I., N. Y.
Fortham Manor	Joseph M. Hodison	250	120	16	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	152	177	195	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,508 Port Richmond St., S. I., N. Y.
68th St. German	Julius Jaeger	318	255	10	3	7	4	70	30	.....	.....	43	.....	12	1	152	177	195	.....	.....	.....	4,408 355 E. 68th St., N. Y.
Manor Chapel	Fredon E. Bolster	363	291	29	11	10	4	35	15	17	15	2	45	10	1	69	35	25	.....	.....	.....	564 350 W. 26th St., N. Y.
Brighton Heights	J. H. Brinkerhoff	563	242	29	11	10	4	35	15	17	15	2	45	10	1	69	35	25	.....	.....	.....	973 New Brighton St., S. I., N. Y.
Zion German	Albert F. Hahn	236	191	32	3	3	4	15	12	21	19	1	26	1	303	231	242	.....	.....	.....	.....	4,079 1288 Stebbins Ave., N. Y.
West Farms	Wm. N. MacNeill	57	50	7	1	1	1	76	40	29	1,452 New Hyde Park, N. Y.
Huguenot Park	Vacant	Huguenot P'k, S. I., N. Y.

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PASTORS.

P. O. ADDRESS.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Total Number of Communicants.										Losses.		For Denominational Purposes.										For Other Objects.		For Congregational Purposes.										
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		No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%		No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%		
Mott Haven	Oscar M. Voorhees	347	170	30	8	23	5	50	95	50	10	2	35	25	277	\$426	\$248	\$3,972	350	146th St., N. Y.																
Melrose, German	George H. Miller	304	153	21	3	8	3	96	77	26	28	1	12	12	1	83	127	3,105	748	Elton Av., N. Y.																
Fourth German	Chas. Nietzer	118	63	6	3	8	3	30	46	46	8	1	11	11	1	376	88	2,474	410	West 45th St., N. Y.																
Union of High Bridge	Daniel G. Verwey	425	202	72	17	6	3	50	52	65	11	5	84	36	325	620	359	4,742	1186	W. 38th St., N. Y.																
Grace	Joseph R. Durvee	390	188	16	6	4	5	37	61	54	21	1	38	6	140	525	921	4,985	139	Ed. 38th St., N. Y.																
Hamilton Grange	John A. Dykstra	234	131	18	16	24	1	32	82	23	12	3	39	6	189	639	934	8,431	172	St. Nicholas Av., N. Y.																
Anderson Memorial	John A. DeBoer	91	61	17	5	5	1	32	82	23	7	7	1	1	212	72	82	1,696	451	East 183d St., N. Y.																
Church of the Comforter	Edward B. Irish	147	110	30	9	5	4	35	250	62	15	1	41	30	373	509	203	2,725	968	Sherman Ave., N. Y.																
Bethany Memorial	A. B. Churchman	124	95	4	1	5	1	115	24	11	1	1	64	10	215	169	31	755	400	67th St., N. Y.																
Trinity, of Belfast, Me.	W. E. Compton	128	110	6	4	1	1	75	30	16	13	5	47	41	210	140	74	155	Mariner's Harbor, N. Y.																	
Columbian Mem. (Ind'n)	William Vaughan	227	150	14	3	1	1	9	450	30	13	5	47	41	210	140	74	155	Colony, Oklahoma.																	
Vermilye Memorial	J. Leighton Read	162	110	10	1	1	5	25	15	7	7	6	100	1	182	77	74	316	Lawton, Oklahoma.																	
McKee, Kentucky	R. H. Harper	64	30	3	3	1	5	25	15	7	7	6	100	1	182	77	74	316	McKee, Kentucky.																	
Annville, Kentucky	Isaac Master	95	68	4	1	3	1	3	8	8	4	4	4	3	350	29	5	114	Annville, Kentucky.																	
Gray Hawk Mission	W. A. Worthington	70	40	6	1	3	1	3	8	8	4	4	4	3	350	29	5	114	Annville, Kentucky.																	
Winnebago, Neb. (Ind.)	G. A. Watermuller	130	70	10	6	3	1	1	60	9	7	7	61	2	65	50	20	438	Winnebago, Neb.																	
Mescalero, N. M., (Ind.)	Vacant	189	100	9	3	3	9	70	3	18	4	75	1	2	200	62	20	163	Mescalero, N. M.																	
White Tail Canyon Ap'he	James O. Arthur	93	29	2	0	2	2	23	4	2	4	2	4	1	93	26	20	29	White Tail, N. M.																	
Clover Road Chapel																			Staten Island, N. Y.																	
Total		12331	6374	616	214	220	10	149	1335	874	460	400	96	708	342	41	9063	115,877	57,812																	
Other Ministers—																																				
William W. Clark, No. 532 Clinton Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.	Roderick Terry, Newport, R. I.	E. A. Reed, Holyoke, Mass.	H. V. S. Myers, Shanghai, China	Fred J. Barney, Busrah, Arabia	Lewis R. Scudder, M. D., Ranipettai, India	W. H. Miller, Upper Montclair, N. J.	Ernest Atsushi Otori, 66 Vermilye Ave., N. Y.	Arthur A. Fellstrom, 157 Lexington Ave., N. Y. City	Frank Hall Wright, 20 N. Kingshighway, St. Louis, Mo.	James Coffin Stout, 541 Lexington Ave., N. Y. City	Charles Park, 221 Carmita Ave., Rutherford, N. J.	G. C. Lenington, Mexico City, Mexico	Pietro Griglio, 346 W. 25th St. N. Y. City	George S. Bolsterlie, 34 Charlton Street	Peter H. Milliken, 81 Mt. Hebron Road, Upper Montclair, N. J.	Dewitt Clinton Suyler, 74 Central Ave., Tompkinsville, S. I.	Jesse W. Brooks, 440 So. Dearborn St., Chicago.																			
Classical Agents—	F. M. Henry, E. Cobb	D. M. Winfred, R. Ackert	E. Robert W. Courtney	P. & B. S. W., Daniel G. Verwey	P. M., Oscar M. Voorhees.	Stated Clerk—	Arthur B. Churchman, 400 East 67th St., N. Y. City.	Treasurer—	W. R. Ackert, 416 W. 54th St., N. Y. City.	*Last year's figures.																										

Other Ministers—William W. Clark, No. 532 Clinton Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.; Roderick Terry, Newport, R. I.; E. A. Reed, Holyoke, Mass.; H. V. S. Myers, Shanghai, China; Fred J. Barney, Bustrah, Arabia; Lewis R. Scudder, M. D., Ranipetrai, India; W. H. Miller, Upper Montclair, N. J.; Ernest Atsushi Ohori, 66 Vermilye Ave., N. Y.; Arthur A. Fellschum, 157 Lexington Ave., N. Y. City; Frank Hall Wright, 20 N. Kinsesghway, St. Louis, Mo.; James Coffin Stout, 541 Lexington Ave., N. Y. City; Charles Park, 221 Carnita Ave., Rutherford, N. J.; G. C. Lenington, Mexico City, Mexico; Pietro Griglio, 366 W. 25th St., N. Y. City; George S. Bolsterle, 34 Charlton Street; Peter H. Miliken, 81 Mt. Hebron Road, Upper Montclair, N. J.; Dewitt Clinton Snyder, 74 Central Ave., Tompkinsville, S. I.; Jesse W. Brooks, 440 So. Dearborn St., Chicago.

Classical Agents—F. M. Henry E. Cobb; D. M. Winifred R. Ackert; E. Robert W. Courtney; P. & B. S. W., Daniel G. Verwey; P. M., Oscar M. Voorhees.

Stated Clerk—Arthur B. Churchman, 400 East 67th St., N. Y. City.

Treasurer—W. R. Ackert, 416 W. 54th St., N. Y. City.

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CLASSIS OF ORANGE—P. S. N. Y.

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Bloomington	Wm. Colden	96	77	4				2	90	10		8		16	6	1	70	\$50	\$16	\$1,285	Bloomington, N. Y.	
Calicoon	John E. Straub	111	75	2				4								1	81	35		832	Calicoon Center, N. Y.	
Clara	Vacant	39	18																		Grahamsville, N. Y.	
Cuddebackville	Vacant	35	22	5												1	22	12		370	Cuddebackville, N. Y.	
Deer Park	Willard Conger	447	300	17	2	10	9	268	50	10	10	5	1			1	313	65	176	843	Port Jervis, N. Y.	
Ellenville	Walter S. Maines	341	193	12	11	8	4	49								1	276	84	24	356	Ellenville, N. Y.	
Grahamsville	Vacant	41	30		1				11												Grahamsville, N. Y.	
Kerhonkson	Vacant	64	35	4	4		6	57	2					20		1				582	Kerhonkson, N. Y.	
Manakong	Vacant	90	51	3	2		4														Wurtsboro, N. Y.	
Miniskong	Vacant	61	33		3				20	11	1	5								745	Miniskong, N. Y.	
Montgomery	Phoebe Ballard	182	100	1	1	4	4	55	20	3	20	18	1			1	87	37	8	1,539	Montgomery, N. Y.	
Newburg	M. Seymour Purdy	363	269	3	10	3	4	50	50	10	2	100	12			2	259	1,539	295	6,143	Newburgh, N. Y.	
New Hurley	George B. Scholten	149	73	3	4	2	4	20	49	23	7	1	35			1	123	114	132	1,335	Gardner, N. Y.	
New Prospect	John Van Strien	148	76	6	6		4	26	45	15	1					1	116	198	36	1,233	Pine Bush, N. Y.	
Shawangunk	Sheldon Vandenberg	164	104	4	2	6	1				11	1				1	110	225	69	2,152	Walkill, N. Y.	
Unionville	Vacant	50	13													1	50				Unionville, N. Y.	
Walden	Theo. F. Bayles	397	275	10	2	14	61	77	96	17	20					1	319	616	1	3,572	Walden, N. Y.	
Walkill	G. De Molts	376	260	20	16	2	3	107	9	19	63			1		1	275	431	100	3,512	Walkill, N. Y.	
Walpack, Lower	Frank A. Langwith	47	54													1	58				Bushkill, Pa.	
Walpack, Upper	Vacant	29	20						1							1	39				Dingman's Ferry, Pa.	
Warwarsing	Vacant	38	23						23	15		6	2	50		1	79	1,165	560	559	Napanoch, N. Y.	
West End	Henry Smith	114	63	3	1	1	2	53								2	173	97	66	1,455	Port Jervis, N. Y.	
Woodbourne	Vacant	178	81	10	3	4		64	21	21	1	4	14	178			2542	\$6,396	\$2,043	1,342	Woodbourne, N. Y.	
Total		3560	2114	113	72	70	57	331	393	522	71	88	300	214	21						\$38,044	

Other Ministers—H. A. Hendrickson, Lebanon, N. H.; Gilbert S. Garretson, Stratford, Conn.; W. W. Schomp, Beacon, N. Y.; George D. Lydecker, Grafton, Mass.; Peter Crispell, Newburgh, N. Y.; Benjamin T. Statesir, Woodbourne, N. Y.; C. Morton Sciple, Napanoch, N. Y.; J. E. Crane, Wurtboro, N. Y.; W. W. Wilcox, Walden, N. Y.; A. B. Doynton, (V. M. C. A. War Work).
Classical Agents—F. M., George B. Scholten; D. M., Willard Conger; E., Sheldon Vandenberg; P. & B. S. W., Theo. F. Bayles; D. M. F. and W. F., M. Seymour Purdy.
Stated Clerk—Wm. Wyckoff Schomp, Beacon, N. Y.
Treasurer—Sheldon Vandenberg, Walkill, N. Y.
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CLASSIS OF THE PALISADES.—P. S. N. B.

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New Durham	I. W. Gowen	1059	600	54	16	23	8	100	50	86	8	32	3	1291	3	161	\$3,374	\$3,279	\$6,653	Weehawken, N. J.	
Clifton Chapel, H. Mis.	Eustice F. Jacobellis	120	52	14	3	11	35	9	20	13	1	25	9	1	161	38	155	38	155	2,630	Clifton Chap., Weehaw'n.
First, Hoboken	Joseph D. Peters	297	190	57	10	3	130	10	26	47	1	50	30	1	402	896	894	896	894	5,076	411 Columbia St., Weeh'n.
North Bergen	William Mager	504	345	30	10	29	250	95	254	80	3	340	50	1	2501	387	1,126	387	1,126	5,250	606 Garden St., Hobok'n.
German Evang. Hobo'n	John Rudolph	102	80	3	1	3	1	20	24	7	14	3	1	1	166	12	50	12	50	5,900	Coytesville, N. J.
Coytesville	Edward Kelder	120	103	32	8	1	1	20	15	13	3	14	3	1	225	154	56	225	154	2,239	326 24th St., Guttenburg.
Guttenburg	Harry A. Eliason	450	285	56	14	6	3	100	250	28	7	50	1	380	990	426	6,500	426	6,500	173 Bowers St., J. City.	
Cent. Ave., Jersey City	J. Harvey Murphy	64	40	1	1	1	20	12	6	3	1	1	1	162	25	119	162	25	119	1,328	
Secaucus	Vucant	524	331	13	4	118	1	250	261	17	8	15	1	573	2,004	316	8,126	316	8,126	527 Palisade Ave., W. H.	
First, West Hoboken	James J. DeKraker	481	275	92	28	11	3	130	86	45	131	28	2	1146	393	196	5,649	196	5,649	409 16th St., W. N. Y.	
Trinity, W. New York	A. W. Hopper	287	170	33	32	8	1	50	16	17	10	5	21	1	388	890	327	4,320	327	4,320	228 34th St., Woodcliff.
Woodcliff-on-the-Hudson	J. Clarence Miller	119	271	10	109	1	1	175	9	11	43	5	1	328	22	276	4,261	276	4,261	237 Central Av., W. H'n.	
Hope, West Hoboken	Anthony Luidens	4127	2642	394	212	183	62	1280	822	390	453	35	508	204	16	5412	\$9,293	\$7,150	\$57,914		
Total																					
Other Ministers—C. S. Wright, 7922 18th Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.; E. C. Sult, Tiffin, Ohio.																					
Classical Agents—F. M., J. C. Miller; D. M., I. W. Gowen; D. M. F. and W. F., Edward Kelder; P. and R. S., W. W. Mager; E. C. S. Wright; P. M., J. D. Peters.																					
M., Stated Clerk—A. W. Hopper, 409 16th St., West New York, N. J.																					

Other Ministers—C. S. Wright, 7922 18th Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.; William Manchee, Passaic, N. J.; E. C. Sult, Tiffin, Ohio.

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M., J. D. Peters.

Stated Clerk—A. W. Hopper, 409 16th St., West New York, N. J.

Treasurer—Wm. Manchee, Passaic, N. J.

CLASSIS OF PARAMUS.—P. S. N. B.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.					OTHERS ENROLLED.		BAPTISMS.		C. C. & B. S.		CONTRIBUTIONS.		P. O. ADDRESS.					
		Total Number of Communicants in Families.	Gains.		Losses.			Inactive List.	Absent List.	Adherents.	Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non-Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.		No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enrollment.	For Donations— For Other Objects.	For Congrega- tional Purposes.	
			On Confes- sion.	On Certifi- cate.	By Dismissal.	By Discipline.	By Death.													
Aquackanonk	Edward Dawson	613	340	15	6	13	8	92	10	8	8	5	...	2	741	\$1,650	\$17,362	185 Paulison Ave., Passaic, N. J.		
Athenia	Henry J. Scudder	135	85	17	5	3	1	69	16	1	8	8	92	20	1	201	437	1,743	Athenia, N. J.	
Clarkstown	Supplied	75	50	6	13	2	1	40	25	1	1	1	...	1	90	23	33	766	West Nyack, N. Y.	
Clifton	John C. A. Becker	*35	127	13	11	3	4	22	30	15	21	2	...	1	710	786	94	6,455	Clifton, N. J.	
Clifton, Holland	J. H. E. TeGrootenhuis	107	55	6	3	9	2	7	30	5	10	1	110	50	1	136	144	2,800	Clifton, N. J.	
Garfield	Eugene Hill	*84	50	7	1	1	2	40	18	5	7	...	...	60	1	134	63	915	140 Passaic Ave., Gard.
Glen Rock	David C. Weidner	65	55	4	1	1	2	30	18	18	11	2	...	5	1	218	318	2,011	Ridgewood, N. J.	
Hawthorne	Walter S. Bloom	147	100	7	6	3	0	2	13	7	10	0	...	1	127	91	33	850	Ridgewood, N. J.	
Hohokus	John A. Terhune	66	50	...	1	5	0	1	30	12	3	4	...	1	140	296	187	2,240	91 Wash. St., Lodi, N. J.	
Lodi, First Holland	John A. Van Dyk	110	70	0	1	2	...	45	22	13	4	...	...	1	220	40	157	3,089	57 Main St., Lodi, N. J.
Lodi, Second	A. J. Van Houten	137	94	5	1	2	...	13	9	4	0	172	30	1	205	69	31	**2,439	North Paterson, N. J.	
North Paterson	E. B. Van Arsdale	127	70	4	5	3	1	25	24	11	10	2	45	...	2	456	31	486	Ridgewood, N. J.	
Paramus	Henry D. Cook	194	165	14	3	2	4	15	27	5	2	0	...	1	230	375	259	2,588	Park Ridge, N. J.	
Pasack	Francis A. Seibert	144	112	5	9	3	0	4	15	50	36	0	600	182	1	488	2,045	8,723	141 Hamilton Ave., Passaic, N. J.	
Passaic, First Holland	A. M. Van Duine	705	376	17	10	4	0	75	69	19	4	...	15	2	493	303	\$819,718	35 Hamilton Ave., Passaic, N. J.		
Passaic, North	Willard D. Brown	352	220	20	5	9	0	7	33	75	69	6	...	81	0	1	745	5,850	673 E. 27th St., Paterson, N. J.	
Paterson, Broadway	Simon Blocker	338	253	31	17	14	0	64	...	5	2	38	...	1	139	433	265	5,871	377 E. 31st St., Paterson, N. J.	
Paterson, Ch. of Gov't	J. Collings Caton	143	79	4	12	2	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Paterson, First Holland	Frederic K. Shield, Jr., A. P.	130	86	...	2	23	5	...	...	...	4	210	...	1	130	...	...	3,658	Paterson, N. J.
Paterson, Second	William J. Lonsdale	*456	253	31	8	8	9	107	57	14	4	165	30	1	*531	621	726	47,938	257 Graham Ave., Pat'n.	
Piermont	T. W. Welles, Pas. Em.	95	88	19	4	3	0	1	58	12	13	6	13	...	1	70	203	36	2,132	Piermont, N. Y.
Ramapo	Arne Vennema	180	144	2	2	0	1	1	80	30	2	5	0	0	2	130	261	94	1,798	Manwah, N. J.
Ridgewood	Philip H. Clifford	450	230	9	12	6	0	3	90	150	...	60	...	1	241	1,759	823	9,770	256 Prospect St., R'g'w'd.	
Saddle River	J. A. Van Nest, P. Em.	92	80	2	3	1	...	3	35	12	4	1	1	69	45	25	1,476	Ridgewood, N. J.
Spring Valley	I. Van Kampen	269	135	4	0	0	0	...	...	...	8	2	...	1	171	487	490	3,499	Monsey, N. Y.
Spring Valley	Albert Clarke Wyckoff	269	135	4	0	0	0	...	...	...	8	2	...	1	171	487	490	3,499	Spring Valley, N. Y.

CLASSIS OF PASSAIC.—P. S. N. B.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.				OTHERS ENROLLED.		BAPTISMS, C. C. & B. S.				CONTRIBUTIONS.				P. O. ADDRESS.											
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				On Confirmation.	On Certification.															By Dismissal.	By Discipline.	By Death.					
Boonton	Frank E. Depue	143	78	1	12	3	1	50	31	6	1	8	1	231	\$146	\$124	\$2,142	Boonton, N. J.									
Fairfield	Vacant	78	41	4	2	36	1	28	17	6	1	75	1	85	47		1,728	Fairfield, N. J.									
Lincoln Park	Supplied	58	22	36	7	7	10	41	16	10	4	75	1	75	670	208	2,921	Lincoln Park, N. J.									
Little Falls, First.	Elmer W. K. Mould	212	106	7	7	6	1	62	3	3	80	25	1	309	272	18	1,585	Little Falls, N. J.									
Little Falls, Second.	Vacant	88	45	4	1	4	1	30	9	3	1	1	1	70	670	182	1,739	Little Falls, N. J.									
Mountain Lakes	Supplied	64	50	1	23	1	1	29	11	2	1	1	1	451	20		6,115	Mountain Lakes, N. J.									
Mountain Lakes	Tenniss E. Gouwens	124	84	15	23	1	1	29	11	2	1	1	1	122	353	71	5,706	Paterson, N. J.									
People's Park	Titus Hager	150	170	5	10	1	1	10	25	9	4	2	3	300	175	88	3,273	Pompton Lakes, N. J.									
Pompton	Charles M. Dixon	282	162	26	16	1	1	115	64	16	6	120	22	387	944	228	4,660	Pompton Plains, N. J.									
Pompton Plains	Fred E. Foerster	361	260	19	19	31	1	186	9	64	1	1	1	1	1	1	1,283	Oakland, N. J.									
Ponds	Wm. V. D. Strong	100	72	21	2	2	2	25	22	7	1	1	1	1	91	41	1,285	Paterson, N. J.									
Preakness	George W. Labaw	101	38	12	3	2	2	35	28	1	1	1	1	156	110	119	2,677	Paterson, N. J.									
Riverside	John B. Church	167	105	9	3	6	1	31	8	21	7	67	8	1	271	326	8,790	Paterson, N. J.									
Sixth Holland	H. P. Schuurmans	679	400	11	43	15	1	100	40	17	1	550	250	1	585	916	4,817	Paterson, N. J.									
Totowa, First	Thomas Powell Vernoll	352	207	9	7	6	1	140	3	6	1	1	1	300	1,043	158	6,722	Paterson, N. J.									
Union Reformed	Vacant	91	75	12	7	8	1	5	8	36	17	1	340	120	1	330	2,163	Wanaque, N. J.									
Wanaque	Herbert A. Deck	183	106	13	7	8	1	2	55	13	16	10	5	206	50	148	3,010	Wyckoff, N. J.									
Wyckoff	Archibald F. Parker	183	106	13	7	8	1	2	55	13	16	10	5	206	50	148	3,010	Wyckoff, N. J.									
Total		3,490	2,149	179	133	94	65	612	551	228	129	33	1,614	633	23	4,006	\$7,671	\$2,960									\$60,801

Other Ministers—E. C. Souder, Tindivanam, India; H. E. Nies, Paterson, N. J.; Sidney Zandstra, Little Falls, N. J.
 Classical Agents—F. M., F. E. Foerster; D. M., F. E. Depue; E., W. F. and D. M. F., John B. Church; P. and B. S. W., C. M. Dixon; P. M., H. A. Deck.
 Stated Clerk—Geo. W. Labaw, Paterson, N. J., R. R. 1.
 Treasurer—John B. Church, 518 River St., Paterson, N. J.
 *Last year's report.

CLASSIS OF PELLA.—P. S. C.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS	COMMUNICANTS.					OTHERS ENROLLED.			BAPTISMS.			C. C. & B. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.		
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Bethany	James Van der Heide	73	52	1	9	4	1	2	6	7	5	10	118	72	72	2	97	\$426	\$40	\$1,301	Sully, Iowa.
Bethel	S. De Bruine	92	41	1	4	3	1	2	20	3	4	5	62	58	58	1	70	319	31	1,498	Pella, Iowa.
Central (Oskaloosa)	Vacant	100	22	1	4	3	1	2	20	3	4	2	42	50	50	1	57	160	117	743	Oskaloosa, Iowa.
Ebenezer (Leighton)	John Ossewaarde	100	70	4	2	2	1	2	2	10	7	2	20	14	14	1	55	160	17	2,880	Leighton, Iowa.
Eddyville	Vacant	34	16	1	2	2	1	2	40	12	4	2	20	30	30	1	20	84	17	587	Eddyville, Iowa.
Galesburg	George G. Heneveld	18	10	1	2	2	1	2	50	12	4	2	20	30	30	1	56	173	15	400	Killbuck, Iowa.
Killbuck	George G. Heneveld	49	23	4	2	8	1	11	68	11	5	5	135	70	70	1	195	313	125	1,188	Killbuck, Iowa.
New Sharon	Edward Huitbregetse	74	33	4	2	8	1	11	68	11	5	5	135	70	70	1	195	313	125	1,440	New Sharon, Iowa.
Otley	Peter Grooters	159	102	4	1	11	1	10	83	15	9	17	235	190	190	1	400	3,985	315	1,831	Otley, Iowa.
Pella, First	J. Wesselink	543	280	29	15	10	1	10	83	15	9	17	235	190	190	1	400	2,731	263	4,104	Pella, Iowa.
Pella, Second	H. M. Bruins	415	177	11	11	4	3	65	60	25	15	15	115	75	75	1	480	2,731	263	3,343	Pella, Iowa.
Pella, Third	Peter Braak	320	155	18	14	6	7	65	60	25	15	15	115	75	75	1	480	2,731	263	*17,386	Pella, Iowa.
Prairie City	G. Flikkema	94	47	4	6	4	4	7	100	4	1	7	350	200	200	1	60	470	39	1,504	Prairie City, Iowa.
Sully	C. W. Deelsnyder	47	30	1	1	6	1	6	20	1	3	2	60	60	60	1	60	120	96	1,579	Sully, Iowa.
Totals		2059	1038	77	71	60	2	27	551	123	67	82	4153	814	814	151	1955	\$13,243	\$1,556	\$39,784	
Other Ministers:—H. P. De Pree, Amoy, China; C. De Haal, Pella, Iowa; B. F. Brinkman, Pella, Iowa; B. M. Flikkema, Classical Missionary, Oskaloosa, Iowa; A. Rozendal, Oskaloosa, Iowa; M. J. Hofman, President of Central College, Pella, Iowa; E. Vanden Berge, 803 Machine Ave., Peoria, Ill.																					
Classical Agents:—D. M., Rev. I. Wesselink; F. M., Rev. George G. Heneveld; E., Rev. S. De Bruine; P. and B. S. W., Rev. Ed. Huitbregetse; W. F. and D. M. F., Elder J. Dykstra, Pella; S. B., Rev. James Vander Heide; W. I. M., Rev. B. M. Flikkema; P. M., Rev. John Ossewaarde.																					
Stated Clerk and Treasurer:—Peter Grooters, Otley, Iowa.																					
*\$14,851 New Church.																					

CLASSIS OF PHILADELPHIA.—P. S. N. B.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.					OTHERS ENROLLED.		BAPTISMS.			C. C. & B. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.		
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N. and S. Hampton.	J. Stockton Roddy, S. S.	238	110	23	4	1	1	35	67	8	8	8	3	415	\$321	\$180	\$2,800	Churchville, Pa.	
Harlingen	William Louis Sahler	249	102	5	2	16	2	26	35	15	3	3	.....	4	276	738	1,987	2,422	Harlingen, N. J.
Neshanic	John Hart	228	80	4	.....	2	.....	60	60	3	1	80	.....	*	251	546	1,500	2,753	Neshanic, N. J.
Philadelphia, First	Harris A. Freer	216	142	1	.....	5	1	55	54	30	2	1	.....	1	273	434	223	2,424	N. 18 St., Phila.
Philadelphia, Fourth	Frank S. Fry	452	224	17	12	2	.....	75	8	129	15	1	.....	1	465	667	177	5,665	310 Monastery Av., Phila.
Blawenburg	Henry K. Hotaling	129	54	3	.....	1	.....	27	22	20	4	20	.....	1	107	153	19	1,104	Blawenburg, N. J.
Stanton	Vacant	83	46	3	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	34	62	56	302	Stanton, N. J.
Clover Hill	Vacant	76	40	1	.....	2	.....	12	24	.....	1	20	.....	1	58	82	25	915	Clover Hill, N. J.
Philadelphia, Fifth	Charles F. C. Suckow	192	113	.....	.....	.....	.....	65	6	13	9	1	.....	8	155	250	134	2,034	2223 E. Sus. Av., Phil'a
Addisville	Andrew Judson Walter	126	83	5	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	140	294	295	2,541	Richboro, Pa.
Three Bridges	M. N. Kalemjian	173	80	1	5	1	3	40	36	1	1	22	1	90	196	128	2,465	Three Bridges, N. J.
Philadelphia, Talmage	William R. Rearick	187	127	5	2	5	25	2	12	10	50	1	418	328	50	2,786	4321 Pechin St., Philad'a.
Zion, Timmons-ville, S. C.	A. J. Wilkinson	25	8	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	43	6	5	150	Timmons-ville, S. C.
All Souls	H. A. Barnes	22	5	2	1	.....	.....	9	.....	.....	6	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Florence, S. C.
Total		2,596	1,114	64	35	34	3	37	360	323	210	62	18	202	60	2725	\$4,112	\$3,375	\$28,334	

Other Ministers—N. I. M. Bogert, Metuchen, N. J.; John S. Van Orden, Spring Valley, N. Y.; Horace P. Craig, Bingham, Maine; G. A. T. Goebel, Easton, Pa.; John H. S. Putnam, Philadelphia, Pa.; U. S. Navy; Chas. W. Pitcher, Clover Hill, N. J.

Classical Agents—F. M., W. L. Sahler, P. & B. S. W., W. R. Rearick; D. M., M. N. Kalemian; D. M. F. & W. F., Harris A. Freer; E., C. F. C. Suckow; P. M., H. K. Hotaling.

Stated Clerk and Treasurer—A. J. Walter, Richboro, Pa.

*One Union Bible School.

CLASSIS OF PLEASANT PRAIRIE.—P. S. C.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.						OTHERS ENROLLED.		BAPTISMS.			C. C. & B. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.		P. O. ADDRESS.		
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Alexander	John Schaefer	53	38	16	11	3	99	100	3	1	100	24	1	70	\$348	405	\$840	Alexander, Iowa.		
Aplington	George Schnucker	96	70	16	11	3	39	3	7	103	55	1	133	1,114	405	4,532	Aplington, Iowa.			
Baileyville	L. Watermuller, S. S.	52	42	2	1	1	50	2	1	54	12	1	62	418	8	2,377	Baileyville, Illinois.			
Bristow	A. Wubbena	35	36	2	1	3	35	1	4	60	13	1	45	240	...	7,137	Bristow, Iowa.			
Buffalo Center	J. H. Schoon	114	85	9	2	3	140	7	2	18	1	40	145	698	202	2,600	Buffalo Center, Iowa.			
Dumont	J. H. Brandau	35	27	1	...	...	36	4	...	20	...	...	22	165	...	405	Dumont, Iowa.	
Ebenezer	Wm. Diekhoff	69	101	1	...	...	2	167	4	16	183	23	1	94	554	38	1,257	Oregon, Illinois.
Elim	F. H. Kroesche	63	32	7	2	2	54	9	...	6	68	12	1	80	165	31	925	Kings, Illinois.		
Fairview	A. Wubbena	9	10	...	...	...	8	...	...	...	...	16	1	22	162	...	182	Bristow, Iowa.
Forreston	J. G. Theilken	105	80	6	...	3	150	1	...	7	3	30	1	126	1,309	124	1,820	Forreston, Iowa.		
Immanuel	Vacant	78	57	5	1	2	3	17	...	2	189	30	1	100	369	80	1,467	Belmond, Iowa.		
Meservey	H. Pannkuk	73	59	4	2	...	1	63	6	12	170	50	1	103	1,032	195	2,632	Meservey, Iowa.		
Monroe	E. K. Russmann	35	39	...	...	2	...	94	15	15	185	20	1	90	426	562	1,957	Aplington, Iowa.
Parkersburg	D. Stensen	53	60	11	2	...	71	2	...	7	...	42	1	92	790	100	1,300	Parkersburg, Iowa.		
Pekin, Second	Vacant	97	41	...	...	4	20	10	6	2	113	...	1	120	62	...	621	Pekin, Illinois.
Peoria	A. J. Reeverts	54	48	7	...	...	48	10	3	6	58	5	1	157	229	46	1,495	418 Reed Av., Peoria, Ill.
Rainsay	G. Haken	111	52	6	...	2	3	35	...	11	160	35	1	105	416	...	1,257	Titonka, Iowa.		
Silver Creek	A. C. Kroesche	115	121	3	...	2	2	172	8	7	174	32	1	147	1,672	70	2,021	German Valley, Illinois.		
Stout	F. Reeverts	63	58	...	...	...	1	78	...	4	100	35	1	104	803	51	1,842	Stout, Iowa.
Washington	Geo. Wm. Bonie	64	66	...	...	2	...	100	16	9	20	30	1	72	447	24	1,552	Ackley, Iowa.
Wellsburg	Wm. Landsiedel	64	73	3	1	165	4	11	3	129	36	1	175	878	175	3,040	Wellsburg, Iowa.	
Zion	W. T. Janssen	62	38	1	...	...	28	...	12	7	117	42	1	70	505	309	1,404	Chapin, Iowa.
Total		1500	1255	82	27	12	...	30	1730	98	26	160	10	2497	\$82	22	2134	\$12,810	\$2,421	\$42,663

Other Ministers.—A. F. Beyer, Principal Pleasant Prairie Academy, German Valley, Ill.; G. Veenker, Classical Missionary, Mason City, Ia.; H. Potgeter, Oregon, Ill.; Daniel Schaefer, Freeport, Ill.; F. Bosch, Central College, Pella, Ia.; G. Zindler, Aplington, Ia.

Classical Agents.—F. M., J. H. Schoon; D. M., A. Wubbena; E., D. Schaefer; P. and B. S. W., H. Pannkuk; W. T. S., W. T. Janssen; W. I. M., W. Landsiedel.

Stated Clerk and Treasurer—G. Schnucker, Aplington, Iowa.

CLASSIS OF POUGHKEEPSIE.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.					OTHERS ENROLLED.		BAPTISMS.		C. C. & B. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.		P. O. ADDRESS.					
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Poughkeepsie	Clifford P. Case	628	402	34	14	10	19	250	200	10	7	1	310	\$2,512	\$1,540	*\$4,600	Poughkeepsie, N. Y.			
Fishkill	Charles Herge	124	80	5	5	2	1	75	249	66	3,872	Fishkill, N. Y.			
Hopeville	William A. Service	187	105	8	1	14	3	1	236	244	198	2,032	Hopeville Junction, N. Y.			
New Hackensack	A. M. Conger	111	84	2	4	50	40	2	208	258	214	1,534	New Hackensack, N. Y.			
Rhinebeck	Peter E. Huyler	211	130	3	3	40	24	2	1	7	163	412	700	2,500	Rhinebeck, N. Y.			
Beacon	A. C. V. Dangremond	230	130	8	8	12	5	25	111	4	3	15	6	132	794	94	4,565	Beacon, N. Y.			
Hyde Park	Vacant	149	80	3	1	2	25	28	10	2	1	80	25	1,407	Hyde Park, N. Y.			
Glennham	Vacant	23	13	1	28	471	Glennham, N. Y.			
Millbrook	J. Edward Lyall	141	87	3	4	5	70	75	3	2	43	1	60	484	3,623	South Millbrook, N. Y.			
First Arlington	Adison C. Bird	123	75	4	3	2	7	16	6	13	1	150	49	46	1,569	Poughkeepsie, N. Y.			
Upper Red Hook	Henry DuB.	93	40	6	3	3	1	11	7	32	2	28	18	118	330	29	867	Upper Red Hook, N. Y.			
Emmanuel, Poughkeepsie	Ernest Clapp	55	45	50	1	1	107	5	5	1,153	Poughkeepsie, N. Y.			
Total	2,075	1,273	72	40	36	51	528	515	38	35	123	37	131	1,669	\$5,462	\$2,888	\$32,270			

Other Ministers—Wm. Bancroft Hill, Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.; Pietro Moncada, Newburgh, N. Y.; Cornelius Vander Mel, Goshen, Ind.; Harvey Ira Todd, Amoy, China.

Classical Agents—F. M. J. Edward Lyall; D. M. C. P. Case; P. & B. S. W., Peter E. Huyler; E., Ernest Clapp.

Stated Clerk Pro Tem—Peter E. Huyler, Rhinebeck, N. Y.

*Includes \$2,400 for new church. †Last year's report. ‡\$648.75 for building funds.

CLASSIS OF RARITAN.—P. S. N. B.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.				OTHERS ENROLLED.		BAPTISMS.		C. C. & B. S.		CONTRIBUTIONS.		P. O. ADDRESS.			
		Total Number of Communicants.	Gains.		Losses.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Inactive List.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non-Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enroll-ment.		For Denomina-tional Purposes.	For Other Objects.	For Congrega-tional Purposes.
			On Confes-sion.	On Certifi-cate.														By Dismissal.	By Dis-cipline.	By Death.
First, Raritan	W. S. Cranmer, P. Em.	450	210	5	12	1	0	5	77	8	1	1	1	300	\$146	\$10,565	Somerville, N. J.
Readington	B. V. D. Wyckoff	214	106	12	6	4	0	5	90	3	1	40	1	156	339	197	Readington, N. J.
Bedminster	Chas. Gilbert Mallory	179	96	15	8	2	0	2	27	3	7	30	40	128	999	317	Bedminster, N. J.
Lebanon	Claudius J. Fingar	305	125	1	1	1	0	0	25	7	1	28	1	267	556	255	Lebanon, N. J.
Rockaway	A. C. Van Raalte	155	78	0	1	1	0	1	75	3	0	36	1	127	89	290	Whitehouse Station, N. J.
North Branch	Louis F. Sauerbrunn	156	98	0	4	6	0	2	30	0	1	1	1	173	503	215	North Branch, N. J.
Second, Raritan	Joseph R. Sizoo	324	348	4	9	3	0	11	56	11	0	1	1	722	3,163	69	Peapack, N. J.
Peapack	Frederick N. Baeder	240	100	0	5	0	0	1	60	0	1	37	1	173	281	506	Peapack, N. J.
South Branch	Marion G. Gosselink	147	72	1	1	6	0	0	51	3	1	22	1	154	161	56	South Branch, N. J.
Third, Raritan	J. A. Lumley	192	90	14	7	6	0	0	70	36	7	4	1	283	512	756	Raritan, N. J.
Pottersville	J. Clewell Osttinger	100	48	0	0	1	1	1	36	0	0	0	0	79	35	1,800	Pottersville, N. J.
High Bridge	David R. Reese	256	111	2	6	4	0	3	45	2	4	1	1	165	194	57	High Bridge, N. J.
Annandale	M. F. Luther	97	60	12	0	0	0	3	20	1	15	1	1	142	43	62	Annandale, N. J.
Fourth, Raritan	Vacant	100	57	12	0	0	0	3	20	7	13	1	1	140	145	160	Somerville, N. J.
Total		3905	1599	66	67	38	1	48	493	441	167	68	18	2975	\$8,972	\$3,271	\$44,622

Other Ministers—Edward G. Read, 825 Second Place, Plainfield, N. J.; William E. Davis, Lebanon, N. J.
 Classical Agents—F. M. C. J. Fingar; D. M., L. F. Sauerbrunn; E., A. C. Van Raalte; P. and B. S. W., F. N. Baeder; W. F. and D. M. F., C. G. Mallory; P. M., J. C. Osttinger.
 Stated Clerk and Treasurer—B. V. D. Wyckoff, Readington, N. J.

CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.							OTHERS ENROLLED.		BAPTISMS.			C. & B. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.		P. O. ADDRESS.							
		Total Number of Communicants.	No. of Church		Families.		Gains.	Losses.	On Confession.	On Certificate.	By Dismissal.	By Discipline.	By Death.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Inactive List.	Infants.	Adults.		No. Baptized Non-Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enrollment.	For Denominational Purposes.	For Other Objects.	For Congregational Purposes.
Blooming Grove	J. C. Bulness	117	54	16	3	1	2	28	51	12	5	3	1	1	8	3	5	1	156	1	156	\$159	\$29	\$1,171	Troy, R. D. 4, N. Y.	
Castleton (Emmanuel)	E. A. McCulloch	385	182	15	8	5	6	4	68	32	7	3	22	2	256	1	174	2	256	2	256	412	174	2,702	Castleton, N. Y.	
Chatham	R. C. Wright	236	159	5	8	7	4	86	56	1	3	1	1	4	3	3	1	267	1	267	248	51	2,295	Chatham, N. Y.		
Chent, First	John Black	69	61	3	3	4	4	30	20	25	3	1	1	1	7	3	24	1	129	1	129	134	140	750	Chent, N. Y.	
Chent, Second	P. DeMeester	138	67	10	1	1	3	15	13	12	7	3	24	13	1	60	247	107	1	296	1	296	145	1,206	Chent, N. Y.	
Greenbush	Vacant	160	130	7	4	1	1	76	15	50	3	1	50	7	1	220	295	145	1	2376	1	2376	959	2,110	East Greenbush, N. Y.	
Kinderhook	E. C. Vanderlaan	290	104	6	2	2	3	30	6	30	7	1	47	8	1	216	959	124	1	216	1	216	959	124	2,562	Kinderhook, N. Y.
Nassau	E. A. Collier, P. Elm	125	84	2	4	2	4	25	68	27	1	2	1	1	68	295	27	1	68	1	68	13	13	1,562	Nassau, N. Y.	
New Concord	John Black	33	19	5	2	1	1	12	18	16	1	1	1	1	33	13	13	1	33	1	33	13	13	300	Chent, N. Y.	
Rensselaer, First	D. J. Mary, Jr.	60	48	3	2	2	3	25	35	9	2	1	1	1	64	86	27	1	64	1	64	86	27	812	Rensselaer, N. Y.	
Schoodack	J. W. Fisher, Jr.	113	65	3	3	3	1	25	35	9	2	1	1	1	50	236	1	1	50	1	50	236	1	1,083	Schoodack Landing, N. Y.	
Schoodack	Vacant	50	36	3	3	3	1	10	31	31	1	1	1	1	34	34	34	1	34	1	34	34	34	664	Schoodack Landing, N. Y.	
Stuyvesant	C. H. Schregeas	50	28	2	2	2	2	10	31	31	1	1	1	1	50	31	37	1	50	1	50	31	37	850	Stuyvesant, N. Y.	
Stuyvesant Falls	John R. Howard	57	30	1	1	1	1	10	31	31	1	1	1	1	10	10	10	1	10	1	10	10	10	935	Stuyvesant Falls, N. Y.	
Total		1784	1065	69	37	31	29	236	397	244	42	18	145	50	13	1479	3,012	1,110		1479		3,012	1,110	18,808		

Other Ministers—Isaac S. Schenck, New Brunswick, N. J.; Wm. J. Leggett, Ph.D., Nyack, N. Y.
 Classical Agents—F. M., P. DeMeester; D. M., D. H. Christensen; E., J. J. Bulness; P. and B. S. W., D. J. Many, Jr.; D. M. F. and W. F., J. S. Hoshford, Kinderhook, N. Y.; P. M., E. A. McCulloch.
 Stated Clerk and Treasurer—D. H. Christensen, Nassau, N. Y.

CLASSIS OF SARATOGA.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.						OTHERS ENROLLED.			BAPTISMS.			C. C. & B. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.				P. O. ADDRESS.	
		Total Number of Communicants.	Gains.		Losses.		Adherents.	Absent List.	Inactive List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non-Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enroll-ment.	For Denomina-tional Purposes.	For Other Objects.	For Congrega-tional Purposes.				
			On Confes-sion.	On Certifi-cate.	By Dismissal.	By Dis-cipline.													By Death.			
The Boght	Oliver H. Walser, S. S.	76	44	10	1	3	—	47	24	—	—	—	—	3	12	—	1	\$75	\$25	\$674	Cohoes, N. Y.	
Buskirk's Cohoes	Supplied	35	24	—	7	1	—	20	19	—	—	—	1	2	—	—	1	101	36	683	Buskirk, N. Y.	
Easton	Oliver H. Walser	412	203	1	3	2	4	1	91	—	—	2	—	—	51	—	1	623	1,360	5,178	Cohoes, N. Y.	
Fort Miller	Vacant	36	35	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Fort Miller, N. Y.	
Gansevoort	C. W. Kinney, S. S.	130	60	1	1	—	1	53	11	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	104	44	76	535	Fort Miller, N. Y.	
Greenwich	Vacant	53	27	5	5	—	—	173	18	41	—	—	—	—	—	2	104	56	349	1,788	Gansevoort, N. Y.	
Northumberland	F. C. Scoville	173	70	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	110	616	—	—	Greenwich, N. Y.	
Saratoga	Vacant	109	35	4	1	2	1	—	22	—	—	—	—	4	—	1	65	44	—	—	916	Schuylerville, R. D. 2.
Schaghticoke	C. W. Kinney	157	95	—	—	—	4	30	24	12	—	—	—	—	—	1	100	176	18	—	1,346	Schuylerville, N. Y.
West Troy, North	Vacant	66	26	3	3	5	—	—	45	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	25	20	—	—	330	Schaghticoke, R. D. 3.
Wynantskill	H. F. Hamlin	236	118	6	7	8	4	30	59	—	—	3	—	—	—	1	214	621	878	3,273	Watervliet, N. Y.	
	Vacant	148	68	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	Wynantskill, N. Y.	
Total		1,631	825	33	28	28	14	181	337	53	17	12	63	—	—	12	1119	2,376	2,742	15,846		

Other Ministers—Lyman E. Davis, Sharpsburg, Pa.; Philip T. Phelps, 158 Jay St., Albany, N. Y.; John G. Smart, Cambridge, N. Y.
Classical Agents—D. M., Oliver H. Walser; F. F., Henry F. Hamlin; E., F. C. Scoville; P. & B. S. W., Henry F. Hamlin; P. M., C. W. Kinney.
Stated Clerk—Oliver H. Walser, Cohoes, N. Y.
Treasurer—S. B. Ketchum, Wynantskill, N. Y.

CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.					OTHERS ENROLLED.			BAPTISMS.			C. C. & B. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.	
		Total Number of Communicants.	No. of Church Families.	Gains.		Losses.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Inactive List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non-Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enrollment.	For Denominational Purposes.	For Other Objects.	For Congregational Purposes.		
Altamont	George W. Parbeck	290	95	31	9	6	1	35	35	9	12	1	1	1	157	\$331	\$306	\$2,014	Altamont, N. Y.	
Amity (Vischer's Ferry)	Vacant	60	30			4	1	16	40	22	4	1	1	1	76	40	7	995	Rexford, R. D., N. Y.	
Glendale	John A. DeHollander	125	89	4	1		1	51	23	1	1	1	1	1	90	139	200	2,016	Amsterdam, R. D., N. Y.	
Holtenberg	R. O. Moffett	*159	94	4	2	4	1	20	30	1	3	95	5	1	120	208	15	1,172	Guilderland Centre, N. Y.	
Lisha's Kill	Allen W. Marckley	111	73	3	1	3	3	30	8	25	7	102	1	1	319	575	275	1,101	W. Albany, R. D., N. Y.	
Niskayuna	Cornelius P. Ditmars	266	150	6	2	3	3	80	25	7	1	1	1	1	105	122	63	4,250	Niskayuna, N. Y.	
Princeton	Supplied	251	91	6	3	6	3	27	35	30	2	2	1	1	210	482	200	847	Duanesburgh, R. D., N. Y.	
Rotterdam	Alexander Hill	180	100	5	1	4	1	35	17	33	3	1	1	1	94	169	40	1,700	Pattersonville, R. D., N. Y.	
Rotterdam, Second	Wm. H. Nasholds	62	34	3	1	2	1	1	1	10	6	52	1	1	225	628	231	926	Schenectady, N. Y.	
Schenectady, First	Clayton J. Potter	335	272	3	1	15	3	100	25	20	10	12	125	17	375	1,090	320	7,605	Schenectady, N. Y.	
Schenectady, Second	John G. Meenigs	563	295	22	27	9	3	80	40	36	13	15	65	1	290	446	356	4,195	Schenectady, N. Y.	
Schenectady, Third	E. O. Schwitters	248	195	38	42	4	7	15	160	28	14	1	1	1	601	1,362	1,438	3,614	Schenectady, N. Y.	
Schenectady, Bellevue	Cornelius De Young	600	357	69	63	30	7	12	41	11	8	60	26	1	354	542	65	6,470	Scotia, N. Y.	
Scotia	Herbert B. Roberts	422	230	26	8	3	6	25	21	41	11	8	60	26	1	259	96	37	1,417	Schenectady, N. Y.
Woodlawn	H. C. Willoughby	122	67	8	7	7	1	552	444	355	116	471	472	138	18	3370	6,364	45,582		
Total		3704	2172	255	165	93	44	552	444	355	116	471	472	138	18	3370	6,364	45,582		

Other Ministers—Robert J. Hogan, Gloversville, N. Y.; John L. Stillwell, Somerville, N. Y.; J. O. Van Fleet, Schenectady, N. Y.; H. E. Van Vranken, Vellore, India.

Classical Agents—F. M., E. O. Moffett; D. M., E. O. Schwitters; E. J. O. Van Fleet; D. M. F. and W. F., J. A. DeHollander; P. M., Alexander Hill; P. and B. S. W., H. B. Roberts.

Stated Clerk and Treasurer—C. P. Ditmars, Niskayuna, N. Y.

* Revised roll.

CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.					OTHERS ENROLLED.		BAPTISMS.			C. C. & B. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.			
		Total Number of Communicants.	No. of Church Families.	Gains.		Losses.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Inactive List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non-Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enrollment.	For Denominational Purposes.	For Other Objects.		For Confessional Purposes.		
				On Confession.	On Certificate.															By Dismissal.	By Discipline.	By Death.
Beavertdam	A. A. Seso	80	52	11						1	4	1		1	51	7		556	Berne, N. Y.		
Berne	A. A. Seso	100	55	2						2		5		1	114	204	130	766	Berne, N. Y.		
Cobleskill	Jas. L. Amerman	35	27											1	30	228	263	984	Cobleskill, N. Y.		
Gilboa	Vacant*	45	26											1	30				Gilboa, N. Y.		
Howes Cave, First.	Jas. L. Amerman	37	32	4							3	2		1	58	82	356	637	Cobleskill, N. Y.		
Howes Cave, Second.	Harry C. Morehouse	146	73	35	2						26	17	50	1	150	136	366	1,350	Howes Cave, N. Y.		
Lawyersville	C. W. Smith	175	80	30	11	4					21	36		1	166	272	426	1,326	Lawyersville, N. Y.		
Middleburg	George Z. Collier	89	63		2							25	5		1	96	165	38	1,201	Middleburg, N. Y.	
North Blenheim	Vacant†	24	26	2								2			1	54	14	11	199	North Blenheim, N. Y.	
Prattsville	Vacant	72	45												1	50				Prattsville, N. Y.	
Schoharie	Vacant	126	73	8	2						3	15	5	20	3	104	207	296	1,864	Schoharie, N. Y.	
Sharon	C. W. Smith	111	50	39	6	4					13	82	23	6	1	112	142	200	1,050	Lawyersville, N. Y.	
Total		1040	602	131	23	18		16	189	152	117	20	93	132	61	12	1015	1,447	2,086	9,333	

Other Ministers—John H. Brandow, Synodical Missionary, P. S. A., 59 Manning Boulevard, Albany, N. Y.; Wm. A. Wurts, Sharon Springs, N. Y.; E. J. Rulifson, Deansboro, N. Y.; John H. Scarlet, Newtonville, N. Y.

Classical Agents—F. M., Charles W. Smith, D. M., George Z. Collier; P. & B. S. W., A. A. Seso; P. M., F. L. Casper, Howes Cave, N. Y.

Stated Clerk and Treasurer—H. C. Morehouse, Howes Cave, N. Y.

Cobleskill paid \$330.00 debt on parsonage, which amount was legacy; Sharon paid \$500.00 for Evangelistic Campaign, also Second Howes Cave \$200.00;

Second Howes Cave paid \$254.00 on parsonage debt; Lawyersville paid \$500.00 for repairs on church property; Schoharie \$500.00 for repairs.

*Last year's report. †Student for summer.

CLASSIS OF ULSTER.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.					OTHERS ENROLLED.		BAPTISMS.			C. C. & B. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.	
		Total Number of Communicants.	Families.		Losses.		Adherents.	Absent List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non-Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enrollment.	For Denominational Purposes.	For Other Objects.	For Congregational Purposes.		
			On Confession.	On Certificate.	By Dismissal.	By Discipline.													By Death.
Blue Mountain	Vacant	116	90			5	50	80	1					80	36	8	533	Saugerties, N. Y.	
Church of the Comforter	Wilbur F. Stowe	352	181	43	5	5	39	36	10	13				313	242	54	3,078	Kingston, N. Y.	
Esopus	J. Van Oostenbrugge	120	75	5	1	4	30		5	2				105	59		864	Ulster Park, N. Y.	
Madush	Vacant	109	50				24	41						120	52	189	1,050	Saugerties, N. Y.	
Grand Gorge	V. Ziegler, S. S.	53	33	5	3					3				1	42	6	716	Grand Gorge, N. Y.	
High Woods	Wm. H. Dickens	75	52				35	40						1	70		881	Mt. Marion, N. Y.	
Jay Gould Memorial	Vacant	148	80	4	2	2	65	20	3					1	266	600	2,312	Roxbury, N. Y.	
Katysbaan	Vacant	119	61	8	4	2	21		8	4	14			1	104	22	1,144	Saugerties, N. Y.	
Kingston, First	James L. Leeper	560	255	8	7		75		2	1				300	2,193	1,843	7,615	Kingston, N. Y.	
Mattekill	Wm. H. Dickens	109	88						1					1	48	26	787	Mt. Marion, N. Y.	
Port Ewen	Leonard Appeldoorn	239	115			10	4	40						1	136	73	1,375	Port Ewen, N. Y.	
Saugerties	J. V. Wemple	235	125	19	9	2	5	40	2	10	18			1	98	417	3,625	Saugerties, N. Y.	
Shandaken	Frank D. Blanchard	51	40	1			30	98						1	35	60	490	Shokan, N. Y.	
Shokan	Frank D. Blanchard	61	35	2					1		9			1	50	4	395	Shokan, N. Y.	
South Gilboa	V. Ziegler, S. S.	74	30				1	18	6		30			1	14	10	120	Grand Gorge, N. Y.	
West Hurley	Henry W. Brink	36	20	2			1	15	1	2				1	30	35	843	Woodstock, N. Y.	
Woodstock	Henry W. Brink	112	65	4	1	3	60	30	15	1	2			1	80	30	843	Woodstock, N. Y.	
Total		2569	1374	105	44	34	38	719	448	195	40	36	93	48	21	1837	3,628	2,979	

Other Ministers—C. H. Polhemus, Ulster Park, N. Y.; George W. Gulick, Briarcliff Manor, N. Y.

Saugerties, N. Y.

Classical Agents—F. M., W. F. Stowe; D. M., J. L. Leeper; E., L. Appeldoorn; W. F. and D. M. F., C. Van Oostenbrugge; P. and B. S. W., C. H. Pol-

hemus; P. M., J. V. Wemple; S. B., G. W. Gulick.

Stated Clerk and Treasurer—H. W. Brink.

CLASSIS OF WESTCHESTER.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.					OTHERS ENROLLED.		BAPTISMS.		C. C. & B. S.		CONTRIBUTIONS.		P. O. ADDRESS.					
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			On Confession.	On Certification.	By Dismissal.	By Discipline.														By Death.
Bronxville	Odin T. Barnes	271	200	27	31	6	4	175	5	36	11	51	20	1	337	\$1,649	\$834	\$5,455	Bronxville, N. Y.	
Corlandtown	Chas. Olmsted	150	85	21	11	1	6	40	40	36	6	4	4	1	200	231	17	1,000	Montrose, N. Y.	
Crescent Place	John S. Allen, S. S.	59	33	6	51	2	6	40			4	1		1	112	40	6	1,120	Sherwood, N. Y.	
Greenburgh	Vacant	79	45	2	1	1					5	2		1	100	200	150	1,900	Elmsford, N. Y.	
Greenville	C. A. Hallenbeck	65	40					25	30					1	51	111	49	1,49	Scarsdale, N. Y.	
Hastings	E. W. Thompson	263	148	31	22	4	2	180	78	100	10	8	1	1	230	198	385	4,250	Hastings-on-Hudson, N. Y.	
Hungarian	E. S. H. Hamory	55	30				3	30	52		4			1	241	143	40	500	Peekskill, N. Y.	
Mount Vernon	Chas. H. Tyndall	477	185	1	7	3	6	74			6			1	287	1,158	187	5,317	Mount Vernon, N. Y.	
Mill Square, Yonkers	Ch. Armbruster, S. S.	312	182	12	12	1	6				1			1	125	374	81	1,653	Mill Sq. Yonkers, N. Y.	
Park Hill, Yonkers	Samuel Prentice	348	250	9	7	11	3	30	120	30	10	1		1	153	1,719	297	5,042	Nyack, N. Y.	
Peekskill	A. T. Mann	122	74	22	17	6	6	50	40	24	7	10	60	50	1	140	88	745	2,465	Peekskill, N. Y.
Scarsdale	James Muller	11	30				1	50	20	15				1	121	166	7	130	Scarsdale, N. Y.	
Tarrytown, First	C. A. Hallenbeck	209	130	12	11	5	7	4	50	25	9	3	30	1	235	365	560	5,698	Tarrytown, N. Y.	
Tarrytown, Second	John K. Allen	209	130	17	9	7	1	4	50	25	5	2	30	1	150	402	600	5,138	Tarrytown, N. Y.	
Unionville	Lucas Boeve	102	75	2	2	3	3	71	4	15	5	1		1	125	85	600	2,698	Hawthorne, N. Y.	
Yonkers, First	J. C. Forbes	486	181	21	2		3	60	40		4	5		1	300	364	107	4,074	Yonkers, N. Y.	
Total		3335	1749	203	129	54	1	41	721	588	490	96	42	152	109	2828	\$10,896	\$5,035		

Other Ministers—L. Curry Andrews, Pittsfield, Mass.; W. P. Bruce, 25 E. 22nd St., New York City; John G. Gebhard, Mt. Vernon, N. Y.; Henri De Vries, Peekskill, N. Y.; Frank S. Scudder, Honolulu, H. I.; Jacob Weber, 324 Hawthorne Ave., Yonkers, N. Y.; John S. Allen, Sherwood Park, Yonkers, N. Y.; Chas. Armbruster, Yonkers, N. Y.; H. W. Cutler, Yonkers, N. Y.; H. J. Bogardus, M. D., Jersey City, N. J.

Classical Agents—F. M. C. Oland; D. M. C. H. Tyndall; E. E. W. Thompson; P. & B. S. W., J. C. Forbes; P. M., J. S. Allen.

Stated Clerk—Rev. Lucas Boeve, Tarrytown, N. Y.

Treasurer—Dr. L. V. Waldron, 27 Radford St., Yonkers, N. Y.

*\$1,255 to reduce indebtedness.

CLASSIS OF WISCONSIN.—P. S. C.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.				OTHERS ENROLLED.			BAPTISMS.			C. C. & B. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.		
		Total Number of Communicants.	No. of Church Families.	On Confession.	On Certificate.	By Dismissal.	Losses.			Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non-Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enrollment.	For Denominational Purposes.	For Other Objects.		For Denominational Purposes.	
							Gains.	By Death.	By Dismissal.											By Death.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Inactive List.
Alto	Gerrit J. Hekhuis	408	180	12	7	27	1	1	1	16	285	250	250	1	290	\$4,522	\$51	\$2,180	Waupun, Wis., R. R. 22.	
Baldwin	A. T. Laman	241	102	12	1	4	1	1	1	18	250	130	130	1	180	922	80	2,332	Baldwin, Wis.	
Cedar Grove	Cor. Kayser	430	174	29	7	9	2	2	2	14	3	220	150	1	300	1,800	1,000	5,100	Cedar Grove, Wis.	
Forestville	Paul E. A. Schroeder	54	23	8	4	2	1	1	1	5	1	73	36	1	37	297		940	Engle, Wis., R. R. 1.	
Franklin	Vacant	169	94	12	4	10	1	1	1	11	273	90	1	160	683	383		2,600	Friesland, Wis.	
Friesland	A. Vander Werf	224	127	15	5	2	1	1	1	16	1	251	150	1	270	1,488	218	3,763	Shelby Falls, Wis., R. R. 11.	
Gibbsville	John H. Straks	157	102	11	3	6	1	1	1	9	1	206	104	1	288	1,250	398	2,560	Preston, Minn., R. R. 5.	
Greenleaf	Matt. J. Duven	243	103	16	18	7	1	1	1	10	183	255	1	165	1,002	59		1,782	Hingham, Wis.	
Hingham	H. Dykhuizen	273	100	11	12	3	1	1	1	10	172	81	1	225	1,139	252		3,100	1015 Harmon St., Milwaukee.	
Milwaukee	H. D. Ter Keurst	240	118	12	12	3	1	1	1	4	170	80	1	180	1,436	110		9,371	Oostburg, Wis.	
Oostburg	P. Swart	115	63	8	3	3	1	1	1	9	1	135	65	1	160	290	89		1,725	Randolph, Wis.
Randolph	M. D. Vander Meer	176	77	23	3	6	1	1	1	6	1	173	82	1	162	220	23		1,638	1015 N. 10th St., Shelby Falls, Wis.
Shelby Falls	M. C. Ruusaard	103	48	5	1	3	1	1	1	4	1	94	40	1	95	152	15		1,860	Shelby Falls, Wis.
Vesper	Vacant	44	18	1	5	1	1	1	1	30	4	50	35	1	81	26		986	Vesper, Wis.	
Waupun	J. P. J. K. Voorberge	348	156	7	29	5	3	1	1	22	1	220	120	1	220	2,311	511	1,864	Waupun, Wis.	
Total		3267	1503	158	72	102	21	39	454	97	155	7,295	1508	15	2743	\$16,409	\$3,609	\$41,488		
Other Ministers		B. Mollena, 194 W. 17th St., Chicago; D. Dykstra, Babroin, Arabia.																		
Classical Agents		D. M., A. Vander Werf; F. M., G. J. Hekhuis; D. M. F. & W. F., H. Dykhuizen; P. & B. S. W., M. C. Ruusaard; Indian Missions.																		
M. C. Ruusaard.																				
Stated Clerk and Treasurer		G. J. Hekhuis (pro tem.), Waupun, Wis., R. R. 22.																		

Other Ministers: B. Mollen, 194 W. 17th St., Holland, Mich.; H. P. Boot, Amoy, China; D. Dykstra, Bahrain, Arabia.

Classical Agents: D. M., A. Vander Werf; F. M., G. J. Hekhuis; D. M. F., & W. F., H. Dykhuizen; P. & B. S. W., M. C. Ruusaard; Indian Missions.

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Stated Clerk and Treasurer: G. J. Hekhuis (pro tem.), Waupun, Wis., R. R. 22.

SUMMARY VIEW OF THE REFORMED

REV. HENRY LOCKWOOD, STATED CLERK.

CLASSES.	COMMUNICANTS.										OTHERS ENROLLED.		
	Churches.	Ministers.	Total Number of Communicants.	No. of Church Families.	Gains.			Losses.			Adherents.	Absent List.	Inactive List.
					On Con- fession.	On Certi- ficate.	By Dis- mis- sal.	By Dis- ci- pline.	By Death.				
PARTICULAR SYNOD OF NEW YORK.													
Hudson	11	10	1,880	1,122	112	51	40	.....	35	532	538	114
Kingston	16	12	1,876	1,231	42	46	36	.....	39	415	507	182
North Long Island	27	34	5,331	3,038	279	77	80	1	89	681	856	499	
South Long Island	23	31	6,687	3,572	401	146	173	.....	97	1,317	2,226	269
New York	39	56	12,331	6,374	616	214	220	10	149	1,335	824	460	
Orange	23	21	3,560	2,114	113	72	70	.....	57	331	393	522
Poughkeepsie	12	11	2,075	1,273	72	40	36	.....	51	528	515	38
Westchester	17	21	3,335	1,749	203	129	54	1	44	721	588	490	
Total	168	196	37,075	20,473	1,838	775	709	12	561	5,060	6,447	2,574	
PARTICULAR SYNOD OF ALBANY.													
Albany	18	16	3,361	1,847	196	73	50	6	56	523	372	306	
Greene	6	7	1,325	954	36	11	16	1	28	428	261	173	
Montgomery	34	21	4,678	3,138	222	109	85	12	58	1,238	759	401	
Rensselaer	14	13	1,784	1,085	69	37	31	.....	29	336	397	244
Rochester	17	14	3,220	1,498	151	88	88	2	46	207	194	121	
Saratoga	12	7	1,631	825	33	28	28	.....	14	181	337	53
Schenectady	15	16	3,704	2,172	225	165	93	.....	44	552	444	355
Schoharie	12	10	1,040	602	131	23	18	.....	16	189	152	117
Ulster	17	11	2,569	1,374	105	44	34	.....	48	719	448	195
Total	145	115	23,312	13,495	1,168	578	443	21	329	4,373	3,364	1,965	
PARTICULAR SYNOD OF CHICAGO.													
Cascades	8	7	535	273	72	25	16	.....	8	103	36	.....
Chicago	19	16	4,125	2,302	204	164	155	10	53	1,030	699	51	
Dakota	18	13	1,476	591	115	64	78	.....	16	150	68	.....
Germania	17	16	847	678	76	10	10	3	13	806	33	6	
Grand River	35	29	6,035	3,057	325	165	178	1	94	528	118	105	
Holland	25	26	5,101	2,161	286	156	105	3	62	488	136	54	
Illinois	11	11	1,438	748	62	36	48	8	15	252	223	.....
Iowa	48	49	5,349	2,733	378	227	309	8	72	600	147	46	
Michigan	20	21	4,192	2,012	77	71	60	2	27	551	123	67	
Pella	14	18	2,059	1,038	77	71	60	2	27	551	123	67	
Pleasant Prairie	22	26	1,500	1,235	82	27	12	.....	30	1,730	98	26
Wisconsin	16	16	3,867	1,503	158	72	102	2	39	454	97	.....
Total	253	248	36,024	18,331	2,206	1,307	1,227	38	476	7,747	1,400	547	
PARTICULAR SYNOD OF NEW BRUNSWICK.													
Bergen	16	24	2,507	1,703	141	65	47	1	54	837	384	163	
South Bergen	13	15	3,947	2,520	247	64	95	1	70	787	1,266	420	
Monmouth	9	13	1,727	861	40	30	18	0	19	338	264	108	
New Brunswick	21	31	6,596	3,637	284	116	145	2	70	761	988	936	
Palisades	14	23	2,870	1,481	85	83	62	7	62	377	535	351	
Paramus	13	14	4,127	2,642	394	212	183	0	62	1,280	822	390	
Passaic	32	38	6,363	3,797	277	196	137	2	91	971	858	328	
Philadelphia	18	18	3,490	2,149	179	193	94	0	65	612	551	228	
Raritan	15	19	2,396	1,114	64	35	34	3	37	360	323	210	
.....	14	15	3,605	1,599	66	67	38	1	48	493	411	167	
Total	165	210	37,628	21,503	1,779	1,061	853	17	578	6,816	6,432	3,301	
Grand Total	731	769	134,039	73,802	6,990	3,721	3,232	88	1944	23,996	17,643	8,387	

CHURCH IN AMERICA FOR THE YEAR 1917.

EAST MILLSTONE, N. J.

BAPTISMS		C. C. & B. S.				CONTRIBUTIONS.			STATED CLERKS.
Infants.	Adults.	No. Bapt. Non-Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enrollment.	For Denominational Purposes.	For Other Objects.	For Congregational Purposes.	
REV. HERMAN HAGEMAN, STATED CLERK, CLAVERACK, N. Y.									
33	28	269	82	16	1,452	\$4,197	\$1,179	\$21,075	H. Hageman.
35	18	222	4	18	2,116	2,994	1,001	18,487	Frank B. Seeley.
339	30	381	434	29	6,047	9,133	6,157	81,947	C. K. Clearwater.
289	51	107	142	4	7,010	17,047	15,116	84,376	John S. Gardner.
400	96	708	342	41	9,063	115,877	32,129	57,812	A. B. Churchman.
71	82	300	214	21	2,542	6,396	2,043	38,844	Wm. Wyckoff Schomp.
35	21	123	37	13	1,669	5,421	2,887	32,261	A. C. Bird.
96	42	125	109	19	2,828	10,819	5,033	56,327	Lucas Boeve.
1,289	368	2,235	1,364	181	32,727	\$171,884	\$55,545	\$390,329	
REV. C. P. DITMARS, STATED CLERK, NISKAYUNA, N. Y.									
68	73	295	99	21	2,765	\$12,847	\$4,843	\$52,279	Henry C. Jacobs.
23	16	101	66	9	1,029	2,619	374	15,640	Wm. A. Dumont.
99	66	333	76	32	4,072	6,890	6,709	53,364	George G. Seibert.
42	18	145	50	13	1,479	3,012	1,110	18,808	David A. Chrestensen.
110	13	1,596	353	17	3,138	6,849	2,020	35,162	P. G. M. Bahler.
17	12	63	.....	12	1,119	2,376	2,742	15,846	Oliver H. Walser.
116	47	472	138	18	3,370	6,364	2,553	45,582	Cornelius P. Ditmars.
20	93	132	61	12	1,015	1,447	2,086	9,933	Harry C. Morehouse.
40	36	93	48	21	1,837	3,628	2,979	26,778	Henry W. Brink.
535	374	3,230	891	155	19,824	\$46,032	\$26,416	\$273,392	
REV. PETER MOERDYKE, STATED CLERK, HOLLAND, MICH.									
23	.....	471	291	7	424	\$2,838	\$1,027	\$7,993	B. Van Heuvelen.
244	11	5,432	2,327	19	4,077	20,229	5,391	56,710	H. J. Pietenpol.
102	9	1,443	788	18	1,521	10,905	2,911	27,292	B. D. Dykstra.
111	2	1,337	369	15	1,060	4,456	1,819	22,456	H. Huenemann.
378	23	6,653	3,238	37	6,217	24,685	7,688	72,289	John Van Westenberg.
227	16	3,440	2,168	25	5,218	28,708	4,975	56,375	Gerhard De Jonge.
65	6	746	308	12	1,796	4,220	1,829	19,630	Jacob Heemstra.
466	13	7,269	3,797	49	5,138	73,162	14,281	94,906	Thos. E. Welmers.
183	35	2,326	1,620	20	5,864	19,368	5,446	71,756	Jacob Van der Meulen.
82	4	1,537	814	15	1,955	15,899	1,556	39,784	P. Grooters.
160	10	2,497	582	22	2,134	12,810	2,421	42,663	George Schnucker.
155	7	2,695	1,508	15	2,743	16,409	3,609	41,488	G. J. Hekhuis (Pro tem).
2,196	136	35,846	17,780	254	38,145	\$233,689	\$52,953	\$553,292	
REV. B. V. D. WYCKOFF, STATED CLERK, READINGTON, N. J.									
122	40	185	31	17	3,420	\$5,860	\$3,366	\$54,311	E. W. Decker (pro tem).
271	37	638	106	16	3,697	6,577	3,954	74,461	J. B. Hunter.
42	18	38	4	10	1,319	2,201	1,272	19,778	Garrett M. Conover.
292	64	533	79	23	8,240	21,624	17,379	91,862	Charles B. Condit.
67	11	335	111	19	2,528	10,732	7,008	44,897	John A. Thomson.
453	35	508	204	16	5,442	9,293	7,150	57,914	A. W. Hopper.
272	59	1,993	508	36	7,526	20,532	7,858	128,808	Eugene Hill.
129	39	1,614	633	23	4,006	7,671	2,960	60,801	Geo. W. Labaw.
62	18	202	60	21	2,725	4,112	3,375	28,334	A. J. Walter.
68	18	166	56	18	2,975	8,972	3,277	44,622	B. V. D. Wyckoff.
1,778	339	6,212	1,792	199	41,787	\$97,574	\$57,599	\$605,788	
5,798	1,217	47,523	21,827	789	132,483	\$549,179	\$192,513	\$1,822,801	

ARTICLE XXIII.

SYNODICAL ARCHIVES.

Your Committee on Necrology respectfully represent the following report:

Since our last report to the General Synod we have learned of only ten deaths in the ranks of our ministry, including one candidate. Not since 1907 have so few been reported by the committee and not since 1891 has a smaller number been reported. The number in each year is as follows:

1891	8	1905	17
1892	18	1906	16
1893	16	1907	10
1894	20	1908	11
1895	11	1909	17
1896	10	1910	19
1897	11	1911	17
1898	12	1912	13
1899	13	1913	12
1900	16	1914	19
1901	14	1915	19
1902	14	1916	15
1903	15	1917	17
1904	15	1918	10

This fact is the more remarkable because the total number of our ministers has increased over thirty per cent. in the period under review. For us who remain the lesson of God's sparing mercy is that He suffers us to remain that we may do more work here for Him. Let us then in these busy times so number our days that we may get us a heart of wisdom.

The average age of the ministers who have gone beyond in the past year has been 58, ten years lower than that of those reported last year. This is due in part to the report of a candidate who died when only 30 years of age and that of a minister who died from accident in his 42d year. On the other hand there are only three of those reported who were over seventy years old and only four over sixty. One of the ten belonged to the Particular Synod of New York, four to New Brunswick and five to Chicago, while the Particular Synod of Albany has suffered no losses from its ministry during the year.

The summary of our report is as follows:

- (1) Rev. John D. Hicks, born in Philadelphia, Pa., March 9th, 1870, died in Philadelphia, Pa., May 20th, 1917.
- (2) Rev. Adrian Westveer, born in the Netherlands, November 2d, 1840, died at Pottersville, N. J., June 30th, 1917.
- (3) Rev. Cornelius Heines, born at Oldeboom, Netherland, August 4th, 1862, died at Seattle, Wash., July 23d, 1917.
- (4) Rev. Roelof Duiker, born at De Wyk, Drenthe, Netherlands 1825, died at Grand Rapids, Mich., August 9th, 1917.
- (5) Rev. Howard Ruken Furbeck, born at Interlaken, N. Y., June 19th, 1876, died at Annandale, N. J., October 16th, 1917.
- (6) Rev. Isaac Sperling, born at Kingston, N. J., November 15th, 1860, died at Paterson, N. J., November 7th, 1917.
- (7) Rev. Herman DeWitt, born at Ferrysburg, Mich., September 22d, 1876, died at Oak Harbor, Wash., November 8th, 1917.
- (8) Rev. Francis McKinley Bogardus, born at Watervliet, N. Y., April 19th, 1836, died at Asbury Park, N. J., February 20th, 1918.
- (9) Candidate John W. Wichers, born at Zealand, Mich., March 11th, 1888, died at Canon City, Col., April 9th, 1918.
- (10) Rev. Mathew Kolyn, born at Franklin, Wis., June 23rd, 1856, died at Muskegon, Mich., May 13th, 1918.

JOHN H. RAVEN.
P. G. M. BAHLER.
JACOB WEBER.
G. DEJONGE.

Committee.

REV. JOHN D. HICKS.

Rev. John D. Hicks was born in Philadelphia, March 9th, 1870. He was the son of Joseph Hicks. Preparing in the public schools of his native city he studied at Ursinus College and Ursinus School of Theology, graduating from the latter institution in 1897. His first service in the ministry was as Assistant to Rev. J. W. Meminger, D. D., in the German Reformed Church at Lancaster, Penn. He organized the St. Andrews' Reformed Church at Lancaster and was its Pastor until 1901. From that year until 1908 he was Pastor of the Grace Reformed Church at Altoona, Penn., and from 1908 until 1912 he served the Tioga Reformed Church of Philadelphia. In 1912 he left the German Reformed Church and entering our ministry he became Pastor of The First Reformed Church of Philadelphia. He was eminently successful in all his pastorates. He was survived by his widow and four sons. He died after a prolonged illness in the Hahnemann Hospital, Philadelphia, May 20th, 1917.

REV. ADRIAN WESTVEER.

Rev. Adrian Westveer was born in the Netherlands, November 2d, 1840. He was the son of John Westveer. Preparing at the Holland Academy, Holland, Mich., he graduated from Rutgers College in 1865 and from the New Brunswick Theological Seminary in 1868. In the same year he was licensed by the Classis of Holland and ordained by the Classis of Albany. His pastorates, all of them in the Reformed Church were at Westerlo, N. Y. (1868-69), Clarksville, N. Y. (1869-71), Clymer Village, N. Y. (1871-72), Wiltwyck (Kingston), N. Y. (1872-74), Shokan and Shandaken, N. Y. (1874-75), Rosendale, N. Y. (1879-82), Berea, N. Y. (1882-87), Stanton, N. J. (1887-91), Wyckoff, N. J. (1892-1904), Stanton, N. J., (1904-09), New Salem and Clarksville, N. Y. (1909-11), and Pottersville, N. J. (1911-17). Having given forty-nine years to the work of the ministry the Master graciously summoned him to celebrate his year of Jubilee in the land where "everlasting spring abides and never withering flowers." Mr. Westveer's first wife was Miss Isabella D. Henry, of New Brunswick, N. J., to whom he was married July 14th, 1868. He was married the second time to Miss Mary H. Hall, of Paterson, N. J., on June 28th, 1901. His third wife was Miss Mary C. Vreeland, of Brooklyn, N. Y., to whom he was married June 7th, 1905. His widow and a daughter and son of the first wife survive him. He died after a brief illness at Pottersville, N. J., June 30th, 1917.

REV. CORNELIUS HEINES.

Rev. Cornelius Heines, was born at Oldeboom, Netherlands on August 4, 1862 and died at Seattle, Wash., on July 23, 1917, of accidental poisoning.

Rev. Heines obtained his education in Holland under tutorship of Rev. J. Van Andel and was thus fitted for evangelistic work in his native land to which he gave the first years of his life. On coming to America he was, in 1894 licensed and ordained by the Classis of Illinois after having served the Church of Otley, Ia., for one year.

During his pastorate he served the following churches:

Otley, Ia., 1893-'97; Lafayette, Ind., 1897-8; Danforth, Ill., 1898-9; Kalamazoo IV, 1899-1903; Ninth Grands Rapids, 1903-'07; Grafschap, 1907-10; Union Reformed, Paterson, N. J., 1910-'13. His last work was in the far west as missionary with headquarters at Seattle, Wash.

We might almost say that he had found his field of labor in the far west for which he was so eminently fitted, both by his training

and earlier work in Holland, but also by his natural qualifications and his varied experience in his different pastorates.

Rev. Heines possessed an intimate knowledge of human nature, he understood men and had the tact to deal with them to a degree that made him a successful missionary particularly among his own nationality. Being born and reared in the Netherlands and having come in contact with the various classes of his people while engaged in missionary work in Holland he was not only well qualified but also successful in his work in the west.

As a man he was well informed, a good conversationalist, an agreeable associate; able to gain the confidence and goodwill of those with whom he came in contact.

In his labors he was an enthusiast who brought to bear upon his work all his powers and confidently expected results. He was optimistic and always cheerful.

He was called away from the midst of his labors and the Church has lost in him an eminently useful man whose place cannot be readily filled.

REV. ROELOF DUIKER.

Rev. Roelof Duiker was born at De Wyk, Drenthe, Netherlands in 1825 and died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Henry Hospers, at Grand Rapids, Mich., on August 9, 1917, having reached the age of 92 years. The funeral took place on the following Tuesday.

Rev. Duiker entered the ministry in 1850 in the Christian Reformed Church of the Netherlands. In 1867 he came to America having been called to the Spring street Christian Reformed Church of Grand Rapids.

After a pastorate of five years he was called to the Reformed Church of Danforth, Ill.

The following churches were served by him:

Danforth, 1872-4; Milwaukee, 74-77; Grand Haven, 78-81. After having served the Second Christian Reformed Church of Grand Haven, he became pastor of the Church at Grandville, '88-'90; Kalamazoo, '90-'92; VIII Grand Rapids, '92-'96. From this time on he was without charge, his advancing years rendered further active service beyond his powers.

In his person God gave a great gift to his church. He was a man with a robust constitution. Though not a man of liberal education, he was a popular and eloquent preacher, a man of the people.

As a pastor he was faithful and successful in upbuilding his congregations; his sermons were practical in substance rendered attractive by a forceful delivery.

As a man he was friendly, able to adapt himself to varying circumstances, and entertaining as well as helpful in conversation.

Naturally he made friends wherever he went and yet was always able to maintain the dignity of his office while living on terms of closest intimacy with his people.

REV. HOWARD RUKEN FURBECK.

Rev. Howard Ruken Furbeck was born at Interlaken, N. Y., June 19th, 1817. His father, Rev. Philip Furbeck graduated from the New Brunswick Theological Seminary in 1859 and served churches of our denomination until his death in 1899. The son like the father graduated from Union College and New Brunswick Seminary. The year of his graduation from college was 1897 and from the seminary 1901. He was ordained by the Classis of Montgomery in 1901, and served successively the Trinity Reformed Church of Amsterdam, N. Y., (1901-03) and the Reformed Churches at Rensselaer, N. Y. (1903-07), Addisville, Penn. (1908-12), and Annandale, N. J. (1912-17). Rutgers College gave him the degree of B. D. in 1901 for additional work done in connection with his Seminary course. Mr. Furbeck was a man of great devotion to his work, serious-minded and earnest. He was satisfied with nothing below the best in all that he did. He married Miss Abbie Rowland of New Brunswick, N. J. His wife and five children survive him. He was riding his bicycle on the road between Clinton and Annandale and was killed instantly in a collision with an automobile Oct. 16th, 1917.

REV. ISAAC SPERLING.

Rev. Isaac Sperling was born at Kingston, N. J., November 15th, 1860. He was the son of Albert G. Sperling. He was a member of the class of 1890 at Rutgers College in the classical course. He graduated from the New Brunswick Theological Seminary in 1893. In the same year he was licensed by the Classis of New Brunswick and ordained by the Classis of Raritan. His only charge was in the Reformed Church of South Branch, N. J., which he served continuously for more than twenty-four years. One winter he did missionary work for the Reformed Church in Oklahoma. For several years he was Secretary of the Somerset County Sunday School Association. On May 15th, 1895 Mr. Sperling married Miss Janet D. Bowman of South Branch, N. J. His widow and two sons survive him. He was a faithful servant of Jesus Christ who kept ever before him a high spiritual conception of the work of the ministry and strove to equip himself for the best service in the pulpit and in pastoral work. His genial Christian character and warm-hearted friendliness made him a brother beloved among his fellow ministers

and indeed in all other human relations. He suffered a nervous disorder after preaching October 28th, 1917, which necessitated his going to a sanatorium at Summit, N. J. His condition becoming worse, he was removed to Paterson, N. J. He died there November 7th, 1917.

REV. HERMAN DE WITT.

Rev. Herman De Witt died at his home, Oak Harbor, Wash., on Nov. 8, 1917, aged 41.

Rev. De Witt was born at Ferrysburg, Mich., Sept. 22, 1876. After finishing his studies in the public schools of his native town, he entered the Preparatory School at Hope College in 1897 and graduated in 1909 from the College. In 1912 he graduated from the Western Theological Seminary, and was, the same year ordained and installed pastor of the Reformed Church of Grant, Mich. He served this church till 1916 when he removed to Oak Harbor where he died after a pastorate of about one year and a half.

Already in his first charge tuberculosis developed and for some time incapacitated him for his work. Somewhat regaining his strength and hoping for a complete restoration of his health in the more equable climate of the west he accepted a call to Oak Harbor and was able to continue his work until two weeks before his death when suddenly his strength failed him and he passed away, leaving his wife and three children.

Brother DeWitt was a fine student and a conscientious laborer in the service of his Lord. His people loved him because of his devotion to his work and his never failing good nature and friendliness.

Being naturally retiring and somewhat diffident, he did not draw the attention of others, but on closer acquaintance his worth and stirring qualities became more evident. He could not be said to be an eloquent speaker but in his quiet way he preached the truth with conviction and power.

REV. FRANCIS MCKINLEY BOGARDUS.

Rev. Francis McKinley Bogardus born at Watervliet, N. Y., April 19th, 1836, died in Asbury Park, N. J., Feb. 20th, 1918, nearly 82 years old.

Rev. Francis McKinley Bogardus, the seventh in line of descent from Rev. Everardus Bogardus, second pastor of the Collegiate Dutch Church in New York City. Rev. F. M. Bogardus graduated from Rutgers College, N. Brunswick, N. J., in 1860, and from the Theological Seminary of New Brunswick in 1863. His first charge

was at Gallatin, Classis of Hudson. Subsequently he was stationed at Mohawk, N. Y., at the Church of the Palisades, N. J., at Bloomingdale, Classis of Kingston, his last charge was at Montrose, N. Y. Classis of Westchester. Owing to ill health he retired in 1895, and went to Colorado for a brief period. Brother F. M. Bogardus saw service in the Civil War as chaplain connected with the U. S. Sanitary Commission. After retirement he made his home in Asbury Park. A son and five grandsons of the first wife survive him. His second wife died after a lingering illness at the home in Asbury Park. Thereafter his sister kept house for him. Bro. Bogardus was especially active on the Christian Missionary Alliance and Rescue Mission and Searle's Women's Home for the Aged and was leader for some years in the Bible-Class of the Dutch Church in Asbury Park. He was held in high esteem for his genial companionship and christian character and service. His former church at Montrose called him for stated supply at the age of 71. Funeral services were held at his late home Feb. 23, conducted by Rev. G. M. Conover, pastor of the Reformed Church, and Rev. F. P. Gates of the rescue Mission. Interment was at Gallatin, N. Y., where both his wives as well as many members of the family are interred.

CANDIDATE JOHN W. WICHERS.

Candidate John W. Wichers died at his home at Canon City, Colo., on April 9, 1918, aged 30, after a lingering illness.

Mr. Wichers was born at Zeeland, Mich., on March 11, 1888. He entered the Preparatory School of Hope College in 1903, and graduated from the College in 1910. In 1911 he entered the Theological Department of Princeton University and graduated in 1914. The same year he was licensed by the Classis of Holland.

Instead of entering the active service he took a post graduate in Edinburg University, having obtained a scholarship in that institution.

In 1915 he returned to America and was offered a position in an Ohio Institution but owing to his physical condition he could not accept, but went to Colorado in the hope of recovering his health. There he lingered on until God took him.

Mr. Wichers was a fine student; his fine preparation gave promise of great usefulness in the service of the Master. He was called away before his work was begun, leaving a wife to mourn his departure, besides three brothers and one sister.

REV. MATTHEW KOLYN.

Rev. Matthew Kolyn, D. D., professor at the Western Theological Seminary died suddenly at Muskegon, Michigan, on May 13, 1918, aged 61 years.

Rev. Kolyn was born at Franklin, Wis., on June 23, 1856. While he was still a child the family removed to Zeeland, Michigan. After receiving his elementary education at the public school of the town he entered the Prep. School at Holland and graduated from Hope College in 1877. The same year he entered the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick and graduated in due time. He was licensed by the Classis of Holland. For one year he served, as a stated supply, the Presbyterian Church at Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.

Having accepted a call of the Reformed Church at Marion, N. Y., he was ordained by the Classis of Geneva in 1881.

During the thirty-seven years of his ministry he served the following churches: Marion, N. Y., '81-'86; Spring Lake, Mich., '86-'88; First Kalamazoo, '88-'93; First Orange City, '93-'98; Principal of the North Western Academy, '98-1901; Second Grand Rapids, 1901-'10; Professor of Historical Theology at the Western Seminary, 1910 till the day of his death.

Seemingly in his usual health Dr. Kolyn had gone to Muskegon to preach on the Sabbath for the Nederduitsch Reformed Church of that city and on Monday when on his way home he passed away. After the funeral services at Holland, his remains were interred at Zeeland on May 16.

Dr. Kolyn was a successful pastor, a preacher of marked ability, whose labors were owned and blessed of God. The churches which he served flourished under his ministry. His sermons were full of thought, always well prepared and gave evidence of careful preparation and yet they were simple in their construction so that **the thought could readily be grasped** by all his hearers, young and old, the scholar and the ordinary man.

He was a man of whom it might be said that he was apt to teach. His instruction in catechetical classes and in the Sunday schools was attractive and fruitful. He trained the rising generation of the church to know and to love its doctrines.

His peculiar tact in this direction was recognized when he was called to the principalship of the North Western Academy and also when he was elected to the Chair of History in the Western Seminary.

He was also an apt writer and when he became professor at the Seminary, he immediately became identified with the Western Church Papers during the latter years preparing the editorials for De Hope.

Preaching was however his greatest delight, hence he was but seldom without engagements for the Sabbath.

As a man Dr. Kolyn was a man among men. There were few things in which men are interested in which he was not interested, he possessed a rare fund of humor, yet always of a high order,

hence was an entertaining companion and a pleasing conversationalist.

His departure leaves indeed a vacant place, he will be missed by a wide circle of friends and acquaintances, and by his co-laborers, and most of all in the home circle.

The brother leaves a wife, two sons and one daughter to mourn their loss.

ARTICLE XXIV.

ACCOUNTS.

Committee on Accounts rendered their Report. It is as follows:

The Committee on Accounts would report that the statements of the travelling expenses of the delegates to general Synod have been placed in their hands and with certain corrections have been endorsed by them. The number of such statements have been 167 distributed as follows. Particular Synod of New York, 37; Particular Synod of Albany, 38; Particular Synod of Chicago, 48; Particular Synod of New Brunswick, 41. Seminaries 2.

The total amount for travelling expenses \$3,080.04, distributed as follows by Synods and Classis: New York Synod, \$164.76—Delegates 37.

Classis, Hudson, 3 delegates	\$20.96
Classis, Kingston, 4 delegates	29.54
Classis, North, Long Island, 3 delegates	6.36
Classis, South Long Island, 7 delegates	14.16
Classis, New York, 7 delegates	14.54
Classis, Orange, 6 delegates	47.06
Classis, Poughkeepsie, 3 delegates	18.04
Classis, Westchester, 4 delegates	14.10
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	\$164.76

Particular Synod of Albany, \$572.25; delegates, 38.

Classis of Albany, 6 delegates	\$ 58.48
Classis of Greene, 4 delegates	36.42
Classis of Montgomery, 5 delegates	79.11
Classis of Rensselaer, 3 delegates	21.21
Classis of Rochester, 6 delegates	149.66
Classis of Saratoga, 1 delegate	10.60
Classis of Schenectady, 6 delegates	55.18

Classis of Schoharie, 3 delegates	31.80
Classis of Ulster, 4 delegates	29.79
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	\$572.25

Particular Synod of Chicago; Delegates, 48; Traveling expenses, \$2210.38.

Classis of Cascades, 1 delegate	\$107.12
Classis of Chicago, 6 delegates	222.91
Classis of Dakota, 3 delegates	236.36
Classis of Germania, 1 delegate	84.63
Classis of Grand River, 5 delegates.....	171.54
Classis of Holland, 7 delegates	269.56
Classis of Illinois, 2 delegates	87.95
Classis of Iowa, 6 delegates	362.39
Classis of Michigan, 6 delegates	188.84
Classis of Pella, 4 delegates	205.16
Classis of Pleasant Prairie, 1 delegate.....	47.40
Classis of Wisconsin, 6 delegates	256.52
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	\$2210.38

Particular Synod in New Brunswick Delegates, 40. Travelling expenses \$102.18.

Classis of Bergen, 5 delegates	\$12.29
Classis of South Bergen, 5 delegates	11.04
Classis of Monmouth, 2 delegates.....	2.82
Classis of Newark, 5 delegates,	8.13
Classis of New Brunswick, 2 delegates	4.66
Classis of Palisades, 3 delegates	6.23
Classis of Paramus, 5 delegataes	15.48
Classis of Passaic, 5 delegates	21.02
Classis of Philadelphia, 3 delegates	7.91
Classis of Raritan, 5 delegates	12.60
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	\$102.18

Seminaries, 2 delegates	26.00
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Your Committee would call the attention of the delegates to the motion presented by the Committee and passed by General Synod in regard to the refunding by General Synod of the extra expenses which the delegates may incur on the return trip because of the advance in rates. The motion is as follows. The difficulty arising from the change in railroad rates going into effect on the 10th of June has caused considerable uncertainty on the part of the

delegates as to the extra expense of the return trip. Your Committee would move that the delegates make out their expenses for the return trip on the basis of the expense of coming to General Synod. If there is added expense the General Synod **authorizes the payment** of such extra expense on presentation of the bills to the Rev. Henry Lockwood, D. D., stated clerk of General Synod, East Millstone, N. J.

Your Committee calls attention to the increased cost of travelling expenses this year especially of the Synod of Chicago, \$2210.38 more than amount of the travelling expenses of the whole Synod of 1917 amount \$2210.93, which suggests the need of some arrangement to be made to reduce if possible the travelling expenses, and your Committee would recommend that each synod appoint a Committee or instruct the Stated clerk to find out the most direct and cheapest way of attending the meeting of General Synod, and send such information to the delegates both Primarii and Secundi.

Signed by Committee,

GEORGE W. FURBECK, Ch.
JAMES DYKEMA,
THEODORE SHAFER,
GEO. C. DANGREMOND,
A. J. KNOLL,
G. W. DECKER,
A. F. DIETZ.

The Report was adopted.

(The extra bills for traveling expenses due to the raise in rates June 10 amounted to about \$200.00.)

STATED CLERK.

ARTICLE XXV.

PARTICULARIA.

Report of the Special Committee of the General Synod on better conditions at Asbury Park.

The Special Committee authorized by the General Synod to undertake the improvement of the church property at Asbury Park would respectfully report that it has not been feasible to endeavor during this year to secure the funds to carry out the plan reported

to the General Synod of 1917. The Committee is making a further study of the problems involved and hopes to report a new plan to the Synod of 1919, provided it shall be continued by action of the present Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES M. FARRAR,
Chairman.

W. T. DEMAREST,
Secretary.

REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON THE HYMNAL OF THE REFORMED CHURCH.

To the members of General Synod:

It was reported to General Synod last year that the Joint Committee on the New Hymnal of the "Reformed Church in the United States" and the "Reformed Church in America" were hopeful,—(should nothing unforeseen disappoint and delay us), to have the hymnal ready for use in our churches by January 1, 1918, or perhaps March 1, 1918. But conditions unforeseen *have* disappointed and delayed us; and these conditions have not been due to idleness or carelessness on the part of the Joint Committee. After General Synod's adjournment last June, a conference was held at our Church building in New York City of representatives of the two church publication boards, and the Joint Committee, and the publishing house of A. S. Barnes & Company; and at this conference certain minor details were agreed upon,—the most important of these being the choice of Mr. George Whelpton, of A. S. Barnes & Company, as musical editor to prepare personally both hymns and tunes for the printer.

Mr. Whelpton was busily engaged upon this exacting work all during July, August and September.

The Joint Committee believe themselves individually in honor bound to the two General Synods to make no *radical* changes whatever in the hymnal manuscript which had been approved so cordially by the two Synods;—but some suggested changes in hymn or tune they believed might be made by a practically unanimous vote of the Joint Committee then in session,—if considered within the limited province of the Committee,—as only trifling or unimportant details. A modicum of this restricted power was delegated by vote of the Joint Committee to a Special Sub-committee consisting of Messrs. Good, Schmidt and Coblenz of the R. C. U. S., and the Messrs. Johnson, Bruce and Mabon of the R. A. C. Further, on

account of the difficulty of assembling even the Sub-committee during the July and August weeks, it was agreed by the Special Committee that Messrs. Good and Johnson should decide certain lesser minutiae in their best judgment. But in the mid-summer the musical editor in New York felt compelled to know at once certain matters important to him,—such as the classifying of certain hymns, or a choice in the various reading of hymns, or a necessary change in tunes; and with Dr. Good an invalid under medical care of Atlantic City, and Johnson away out on “tip end of Cape Cod,”—Mr. Whelp-ton simply *demand*ed help of Dr. Bruce, who was “interned” in New York City all summer by *authority* of the Christian Intelligencer; and when finally Dr. Bruce felt obliged to “wave him away,” the musical editor travelled out to Mr. Mabon’s summer home, and secured the best wisdom *he* could supply. So the Hymnal steadily if slowly grew until October, when the musical editor announced to the Joint Committee that his work was nearing completion. It was found by the Joint Committee at the first October meeting, that certain undesirable changes had been made under actual or supposed *authority* from someone;—that designated hymns or tunes had been omitted, and unauthorized tunes or hymns had been inserted, in the musical editor’s submitted manuscript, with hymns and tunes finally classified and numbered,—all practically ready for the printer. Then began the most tedious and annoying task the Joint Committee has had in five years of work;—restoring or cutting out such hymns and tunes as one branch or the other of the Joint Committee felt constrained to insist upon:—with this result, that the completed Hymnal manuscript had to be torn apart, changed, re-classified, re-numbered and partially re-made,—a most exacting and trying experience, which ended with January 1, 1918.

In the early Autumn it had been decided best by the Joint Committee to agree to a proposition of the Publication and Sunday School Board R. C. U. S., which was strongly favored by our own Publication Board,—that the printing of the hymnal should be entrusted to the Publication Board at Philadelphia; with this distinct condition, that the finished product in every respect, typography, paper, size of page, plates, edging, quality of cloth or leather of binding, should be thoroughly satisfactory to the members of the Joint Committee.

For this work, the Publication board ordered a new font of *new* type direct from the best type foundry in the country:—and after a long, long delay they received their new equipment; and their type setters have been at work for a few weeks. Several small installments of “proof” have already at different times passed under our censorship, and have been promptly returned to Philadelphia. It may not be generally known that the printing of a first-class hymn

book is a peculiarly delicate piece of work, entirely different from ordinary book or pamphlet printing. The hymn pages with adopted tunes are first set up in "signatures" of 32 pages; then the printer's work stops for a time, while the proofs of these 32 pages are corrected three, four, perhaps five times; and when it is decided that this first "signature" is perfect as to form, "plates" of these 32 pages are cast, and the type thus far used is distributed for the type setting of the next "signature" of 32 pages; and thus the work goes on slowly, of necessity; for the first-class hymn book is printed from "plates"; and only when the 25 or 30 or more "signatures" have all been satisfactorily electrotyped, can a completed volume come from these several hundred "plates," followed by the preface, preliminary statement, and the various indexes.

During the weeks of the present summer, therefore, the work of printers, and proof readers, and plate makers, must go on as steadily as possible; then the binders will do their work;—and so we *hope*, and we also *trust*, that by January 1, 1919, the "Hymnal of the Reformed Church" will be ready for use in our congregations.

We trust that this detailed explanatory report may account for the delay that the Joint Committee regret far more than others can regret it;— and that you, and all our Pastors and Churches, may know that your Committee have tried faithfully to give you, as early as possible, a truly worthy church hymnal.

EDWARD P. JOHNSON, Chairman,
For the Committee.

The report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CELEBRATION OF REFORMATION DAY.

The Committee appointed at the last meeting of the General Synod "to assist the pastors and churches in securing the material for a worthy and full celebration of Reformation Day" make the following report:

In the Committee's endeavor to carry out the design of General Synod three lines of activity were followed:

I. Through the courtesy of the Christian Intelligencer and The Leader, there was published a series of articles relative to the Reformation and the proper celebration of its four hundredth anniversary.

II. A Circular Letter was sent, on August 29th, to every pastor in the denomination, calling his attention to the action by General

Synod relative to the celebration of Reformation Day, and offering suggestions as to the lines along which this celebration could be most effectively observed.

III. To each pastor there were also sent two pamphlets, the one an illustrated Sample Program for Reformation Day, the other, a list of the best obtainable materials for use in an extended celebration of the Reformation anniversary.

The slight expenses for printing and postage incurred by the Committee have been reported to the Treasurer of the Synod and paid.

Respectfully submitted for the Committee,

EDWARD W. MILLER,
THEODORE F. BAYLES,
P. S. LEINBACH,
F. R. HUTTON.

Report was received and adopted, and the committee discharged with thanks.

The special committee to secure money desired to pay apportionment for publishing the works of Ulrich Zwingli reported. In the absence of the chairman Rev. Sartell Prentice, Rev. J. P. Searle gave an oral report, stating that the amount of the apportionment, \$150, had been raised except \$15 which was in sight. Synod voted that these funds be passed over to the Treasurer of General Synod, and a vote of thanks be extended to Rev. Sartell Prentice.

ARTICLE XXVI.

RESUMPTION AND CLOSE.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NEXT PLACE OF MEETING OF GENERAL SYNOD.

Six invitations for the meeting of General Synod in 1919, are before the Committee. The Chamber of Commerce of Chicago, the Chamber of Commerce of Columbus, the Chamber of Commerce of Philadelphia, Atlantic City Publicity Bureau, the Reformed Church of West Sayville, Long Island, and the Reformed Church of Asbury Park, New Jersey. Of the foregoing invitations only two are from Reformed Churches, and your Committee has only therefore

to decide between the two, namely: West Sayville, and Asbury Park. After considering conveniences and advantages offered by the two places, your Committee thinks that Asbury Park has decided advantages, both in accommodations and location.

The Committee therefore recommends that the meeting of Synod in 1919, be held in the Reformed Church at Asbury Park, New Jersey. The Committee however, would add this proviso, that in case satisfactory arrangements cannot be made with railroads, and hotels in Asbury Park, the matter of the place of meeting be left with the Clerks of Synod, together with the Chairman of this committee, and that they be given power to act, and to chose a place of meeting where satisfactory rates can be secured.

Respectfully submitted,

O. M. TROUSDALE,
J. W. TE PASKE,
J. W. RADCLIFF.

The Report was adopted.

Early in Monday morning's session the following Resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, that a special committee of five ministers and three elders, of which the President of General Synod shall be chairman, shall be appointed, which, associating with itself the Standing Committee on Resolutions, shall prepare an adequate and emphatic expression of the loyalty of this Synod, and of the Church which we represent, for communication to each of our churches, and to our great National Leader, the President of the United States.

The Committee was announced as follows:

Rev. E. J. Blekkink, J. L. Leeper, J. P. Searle, H. Pan-kuk, I. H. Berg, and Elders J. R. Kyle and Dr. J. E. Pratt.

Resolutions bearing on the question of loyalty, which had been referred elsewhere was re-referred to this Committee.

The Joint Report of the Special Loyalty Resolutions Committee and Standing Committee on Resolutions is as follows:

REPORT OF A SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON LOYALTY
RESOLUTIONS IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE
STANDING COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

The 112th Session of the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America convened at Asbury Park, N. J., June 6 to 12th, 1918, desires to renew its solemn pledge of loyalty to our President, our country and to the righteous and Christian cause for which our Government and her Allies are contending.

Again for ourselves and those whom we represent, we pledge ourselves, our resources, and our prayers.

The many ministers from our Churches, and the thousands of our own sons already in the Service, are an earnest of the larger sacrifice from which we will not shrink should the necessity arise.

RESOLVED,—That this statement of loyalty be communicated to the President of the United States by our President of Synod, and also that it be published in the *Intelligencer*, *De Hope*, the *Leader* and *Mit Arbeiter*, and that it be read from all our pulpits on Sunday, June 30th, 1918.

RESOLVED,—That the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America utterly disapproves of the address of the Rev. Claus Olandt, of the Classis of Westchester, before the General Synod, Saturday morning, June 8th, 1918.

The following resolution submitted to your Committee on Resolutions for consideration, is recommended for adoption.

The Synod desires to express its approval of the efforts of pastors and churches to establish the usage of the English language in their services.

With regard to the overtures from the Particular Synods of New York and Albany, transferred from the Committee on Overtures to this Committee, we beg leave to report that this Committee is in entire sympathy with the intent of these overtures, but owing to the fact that at least one of the Boards has in its employ citizens of other countries than our own, and within the jurisdiction of those countries, we can only give a qualified approval to the overtures.

We recommend therefore, the following resolution:

RESOLVED,—That this General Synod instruct its missionary and benevolent boards and agencies to withhold financial or any

other aid from any organization or individual within the jurisdiction of the United States of America who may be unwilling to pledge unswerving loyalty to the Government of the United States of America.

JOINT COMMITTEE.

Rev. E. J. Blekkink,
Rev. J. P. Searle,
Rev. J. L. Leeper,
Rev. I. H. Berg,
Rev. H. Pankuk,
Elder John M. Kyle,
Elder Dr. J. E. Pratt.
Rev. O. E. Fisher,
Rev. J. S. Allen,
Rev. A. T. Laman,
Elder D. Cornelius,
Elder J. W. Ross.

The Report was adopted.

The letter embodying the pledge of loyalty was sent to President Wilson, and the following reply was received:

The White House, Washington, June 13, 1918.

My Dear Dr. Blekkink:

The President has received your letter of June 11th, and asks me to assure you and all concerned of his deep appreciation of these expressions of confidence and good will. He is very grateful to you for your pledge of support.

Sincerely Yours,

J. P. TUMULTY,
Secretary to the President.

Rev. E. J. Blekkink,
President, General Synod,
Reformed Church in America,
Asbury Park, N. J.

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Your Standing Committee on Resolutions desires to report as follows:

There was given to this Committee overtures from the Classes of Pella, New Brunswick, Paramus and Schoharie requesting Synod

to petition the President of the United States to set a day for prayer. Your committee finds that these overtures have been anticipated by the President when he set Memorial Day for such purposes as these Classes have desired and therefore no further action is necessary by the Synod.

But this Synod desires to express its deep appreciation of the President's proclamation, setting Memorial Day as a day of Prayer for the Nation and directs the Stated Clerk of Synod to convey to the President the Hon. Woodrow Wilson our expression of hearty approval and thanks.

Resolution on Dr. Brett.

This Synod had the pleasure of hearing Elder Van Alen pay an eloquent and touching tribute to his Pastor the Rev. Dr. Cornelius Brett, for 42 years the able and beloved pastor of the Bergen Church.

Your Committee therefore offers this tribute of Elder Van Alen as a well deserved expression of our appreciation of Dr. Brett with congratulations and good wishes. Mr. Van Alen said:

"It is a blessed privilege accorded me to sit as an Elder member of the Synod beside my beloved Pastor, Rev. Cornelius Brett, D. D. He has rendered most distinguished service to the Reformed Church in America. In 1893 he was honored with the Presidency of the General Synod. Often has he served as President of Particular Synod, and of Classis, and 42 consecutive years as president of Consistory of the Bergen Reformed Church.

By reason of his advancing years coupled with a dimness of vision he asked his consistory to unite with him in an appeal to Classis to relieve him from the Active Pastorate and declare him Pastor Emeritus. That action has been taken and on the last Sunday in July he will conclude his 42 years of service and retire with the humble title of Pastor Emeritus of the Church that has enjoyed an existence of more than a quarter of a 1000 years. *

Dr. Brett's service as a leader in his denominational work has achieved a unique position in the esteem and affection of the men and women of all New Jersey.

Since he came to Jersey City nearly 60 Reformed Church Clergymen have come and gone to our churches there. He has seen the city grow, himself a vital part of its growth, for there was no good cause in which he has not had some part. His historical knowledge especially of the religious development of Hudson County is probably unrivalled.

The Divine Ruler of the Universe has ever been his guide;—his prayers have been most fervently phrased and uttered and in the

fullness of his years he has reaped the benedictions of an appreciative and loving constituency."

In response to the request of Synod that a suitable minute be made regarding the death of Prof. Frederic R. Hutton, Sc. D. and Prof. Matthew Kolyn, D. D., your committee submit the following.

Whereas, the Rev. Matthew Kolyn, D. D. of our Western Seminary has been called into the presence of the Great Teacher, departing this life May 13, 1918, the Synod recognizes the Church has lost a great scholar, forceful preacher and inspiring teacher. He was one of the best known leaders of the Reformed Church having served as pastor and educator. He always manifested a deep and helpful interest in the various activities of the Denomination, and the Church of Christ in the world. With rare wisdom and sympathy he gave freely his wise counsel in administrative relations of the Seminary and as a member of the Board of Foreign Missions. The influence of his fine character and strong personality was greatly felt by all who knew him not only in student days and pastoral relations but he has marked the characters of his students with a rare skill whereby the lineaments of the Master are to be plainly distinguished. As a man of God, preacher, teacher, adviser, friend and citizen he was a continual inspiration to loyal devoted life and service.

Therefore, be it resolved: That this Synod records with grateful memory and with a very real sense of its loss the death of Professor, the Rev. Matthew Kolyn, D. D., and calls upon Almighty God to help us fully appreciate his life and service to our Church and hold such ever that the work of his hands be established.

And be it further resolved that this Synod extends to Mrs. Kolyn and to the members of the family, as also to the Western Seminary the assurance of its sincere sympathy.

Whereas the sudden death of Prof. Frederic R. Hutton on Tuesday morning May 14, 1918 has taken from the ranks of our Reformed Church a distinguished son and leader, we desire hereby to record our gratitude to Our Heavenly Father for this gracious life, and record our sense of great loss.

In Prof. Hutton's death the Reformed Church suffers the loss of one of her ablest and most devoted sons. Reared in the fellowship of our church and thoroughly conversant with its traditions, organizations and policies he gave invaluable aid by serving in a variety of capacities which included membership in most of the Boards of the Church and Synodical Committees from time to time. As Chairman of General Synod's Committee on the Revision of the Constitution he has given to the church a monumental work bear-

ing the evidences of the measure of his constructive genius and his keen farsightedness. To this work he brought to bear all his splendid ability to anticipate criticism or divergent opinion, convincing logic and conciseness of statement that has produced for us a legal document which is unexcelled in any other ecclesiastical body not only but is the admiration of men highly trained in judicial and legislative lore.

"Greatly beloved and thoroughly trusted, a man of reverent faith and beautiful Christian character, a rare teacher with the mind of a scholar and the heart of a child." Though he had achieved high distinction in the scientific world, and for many years a noted professor of Columbia University, the author of many publications, and in all leading an exceedingly busy life, yet he always placed the church and its service in the fore front of his time and affections and gave to his beloved denomination the best of mind, heart and talent.

Therefore be it Resolved: That this Synod acknowledges its great indebtedness to Almighty God for all the distinguished service rendered to the church and the world by Prof. Hutton, praying that the memory of this life and fellowship with God and for men may ever be cherished as a priceless heritage of the Church and be an ever living inspiration.

Resolved, That we express to the pastor and officers of the Grand Avenue Reformed Church, to the choir, organist and sexton our sincere appreciation of the hospitality afforded making the sessions of Synod comfortable and profitable.

Resolved, That we recognize the efficiency and patience of our President, Vice President, Stated and Permanent Clerks, and temporary clerks in the despatch of business and express to them our cordial thanks for their fidelity and efficiency.

Resolved, That we acknowledge our indebtedness to the Secretaries and other officers of our Boards and the representatives of all other bodies who have addressed us, for their admirable and informing speeches before this Synod.

Resolved, That we express our hearty thanks to the Committee on Correspondence and Religious Exercises for the carefully planned and richly laden program for our business sessions, evening meetings, and devotional services and to all who took part in these services.

Resolved, That we thank all the permanent and standing committees whose work has been accomplished with patience and care.

Resolved, That we record our appreciation of the services of Synods' Press Agent and the Press of Asbury Park and elsewhere

whereby the proceedings of Synod have been faithfully and effectively set forth.

Resolved, That the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America bow in humble gratitude to Almighty God for all His mercies to us as a church, thanking Him for the Continued spirit of devotion of our people, praying that the Great Head of the Church will pour out His Spirit in abundant measure upon us, enabling us to meet the challenge of the tasks of the hour with clearer vision, increasing strength and sacrificial obedience that we shall ever be found "willing in the day of His power."

Committee,
REV. O. E. FISHER,
REV. J. S. ALLEN,
REV. A. T. LAMAN,
ELDER DR. CORNELIUS,
ELDER J. W. ROSS.

The report was adopted.

ARTICLE XXVII.

ADJOURNMENT.

The Journal was read and approved.

On motion the reading of the Minutes was omitted.

The President called the pastor of the Asbury Park Church to the platform, and he addressed the Synod.

The President addressed Synod in a closing word

The hymn, "Blest be the Tie that Binds," was sung.

The Synod was led in a closing prayer by the Rev. C. F. C. Suckow, and after the Benediction the President declared Synod adjourned to meet in regular session at Asbury Park June 5, 1919.

EVERT J. BLEKKINK, President,
WM. J. LEGGETT, Vice President,
HENRY LOCKWOOD, Stated Clerk,
CLIFFORD P. CASE, Permanent Clerk.

AREND J. PASKE,
J. CLARENCE MILLER,
Temporary Clerks.

Presidents of the General Synod.

The names of all the Presidents from 1794 to 1869, inclusive, will be found in the printed Minutes of 1899, pp. 580, 581.

Date	Presidents.	From What State.	Place of Meeting.
June, 1870—	Rev. Ashbel G. Vermilye.....	New York.....	Newark, N. J.
" 1871—	Rev. William J. R. Taylor....	New Jersey....	Albany, N. Y.
Sept., 1871—	Rev. William J. R. Taylor....	New Jersey..	Brooklyn, N. Y.
June, 1872—	Rev. Joachim Elmendorf	New York...	Brooklyn, N. Y.
" 1873—	Rev. Acmon P. Van Gieson..	New York..	N. Brunswick, N. J.
" 1874—	Rev. Goyen Talmage	N. Jersey..	Poughkeepsie, N. Y.
" 1875—	Rev. Charles Scott	Michigan...	Jersey City, N. J.
" 1876—	Rev. John McC. Holmes....	New York....	Kingston, N. Y.
" 1877—	Rev. Rufus W. Clark	New York...	New York City
" 1878—	Rev. Jacob Chamberlain.....	India	Utica, N. Y.
" 1879—	Rev. Abraham R. Van Nest..	Pennsylvania...	Newark, N. J.
" 1880—	Rev. John A. DeBaun.....	New York....	Brooklyn, N. Y.
" 1881—	Rev. Issac S. Hartley.....	New York.....	Hudson, N. Y.
Oct., 1881—	Rev. Isaac S. Hartley.....	New York..	Schenectady, N. Y.
June 1882—	Rev. Edward P. Ingersoll....	New York..	Schenectady, N. Y.
" 1883—	Rev. William R. Duryee.....	New Jersey....	Albany, N. Y.
" 1884—	Rev. David Cole.....	New York...	G. Rapids, Mich.
" 1885—	Rev. J. Howard Suydam....	New Jersey...	Syracuse, N. Y.
" 1886—	Rev. John B. Drury.....	New York..	N. Brunswick, N. J.
" 1887—	Rev. Charles I. Shepard.....	New York....	Catskill, N. Y.
" 1888—	Rev. Mancius H. Hutton.....	New Jersey....	Catskill, N. Y.
" 1889—	Rev. Evert Van Slyke.....	New York....	Catskill, N. Y.
" 1890—	Rev. J. Romeyn Berry.....	New York..	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1891—	Rev. E. T. Corwin.....	New Jersey..	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1892—	Rev. F. S. Schenck.....	New York..	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1893—	Rev. Cornelius Brett	New Jersey..	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1894—	Rev. Edward A. Collier.....	New York..	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1895—	Rev. Peter Stryker.....	New York...	G. Rapids, Mich.
" 1896—	Rev. John B. Thompson.....	New Jersey....	Catskill, N. Y.
" 1897—	Rev. Charles W. Fritts.....	New York..	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1898—	Rev. Edward B. Coe.....	New York..	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1899—	Rev. George S. Bishop.....	New Jersey....	Catskill, N. Y.
" 1900—	Rev. Edward P. Johnson.....	New York..	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1901—	Rev. Denis Wortman.....	New York..	N. Brunswick, N. J.
" 1902—	Rev. Abbott E. Kittredge....	New York..	Asbury Park, N. J.

June, 1903—Rev. Cornelius L. Wells.....	New York.	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1904—Rev. James F. Zwemer.....	Michigan....	G. Rapids, Mich.
" 1905—Rev. James M. Farrar.....	New York.	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1906—Rev. Donald Sage Mackey....	New York....	New York City
" 1907—Rev. Ame Vennema.....	New Jersey....	Albany, N. Y.
" 1908—Rev. Wm. I. Chamberlain....	New Jersey.	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1909—Rev. W. H. S. Demarest....	New Jersey..	Rochester, N. Y.
" 1910—Rev. James I. Vance.....	New Jersey.	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1911—Rev. Philetus T. Pockman....	New Jersey.	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1912—Rev. Wm. P. Bruce.....	New York....	G. Rapids, Mich.
" 1913—Rev. James S. Kittell.....	New York.	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1914—Rev. John G. Fagg.....	New York.	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1915—Rev. Isaac W. Gowen.....	New Jersey.	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1916—Rev. Peter Moerdyke.....	Michigan.....	Holland, Mich.
" 1917—Rev. J. Preston Searle.....	New Jersey.	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1918—Rev. Evart J. Blekkink.....	Michigan..	Asbury Park, N. J.

Stated Clerks.

Rev. Cornelius Brouwer,	elected.....	1800
Rev. James V. C. Romeyn,	"	1806
Rev. John M. Bradford,	"	1812
Rev. Selah S. Woodhull,	"	1818
Rev. John Knox,	"	1820
Rev. Thomas M. Strong,	"	1828
Rev. David D. Demarest,	"	1862
Rev. Paul D. Van Cleef,	"	1871
Rev. W. H. Ten Eyck, appointed [ad interim, for one year].....		1886
Rev. Paul D. Van Cleef, resumed.....		1887
Rev. W. H. Ten Eyck, appointed [ad interim, for one year].....		1895
Rev. W. H. DeHart,	elected.....	1896
Rev. Henry Lockwood, appointed [ad interim, for one year].....		1914
Rev. Henry Lockwood,	elected.....	1915

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Rev. Thomas C. Strong	1855-1862
Rev. Paul D. Van Cleef.....	1869-1871
Rev. Wm. H. Ten Eyck.....	1871-1907
Rev. Henry Lockwood	1907-1915
Rev. Clifford P. Case	1915—

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- Rev. John H. Livingston, D. D.,
Professor of Didactic Theology, etc., 1784-1825.
- Rev. Hermanus Myers, D. D.,
Professor Languages at Pompton Plains, 1784-91.
Lector in Theology at Pompton Plains, 1786-91.
- Rev. Soloman Froeligh, D. D.,
Lector in Theology at Hackensack, N. J., 1792-7.
Professor of Didactic Theology, Hackensack, N. J., 1797-1822.
- Rev. Theodore (Dirck) Romeyn, D. D.,
Lector in Theology at Schenectady, N. Y., 1792-7.
Professor of Didactic Theology, 1797-1804.
- Rev. John Bassett, D. D.,
Teacher of Hebrew at Boght Schoharie Co., and at Albany,
N. Y., 1804-12.
- Rev. Jeremiah Romeyn, D. D.,
Professor of Hebrew at Linlithgo, Harlem, Schoharie and
Woodstock, 1804-6.
- Rev. John M. Van Harlingen, D. D.,
Professor of Hebrew and Ecclesiastical History at New
Brunswick, 1812-13.
- Rev. John Schureman, D. D.,
Professor of Ecclesiastical History, Church Government and
Pastoral Duties at New Brunswick, 1815-18.
- Rev. John Ludlow, D. D.,
Professor of Biblical Literature and Ecclesiastical History
at New Brunswick, 1819-23.

- Rev. John DeWitt, D. D.,
Professor of Biblical Literature and Ecclesiastical History
at New Brunswick, 1823-25.
Professor of Biblical Literature, 1825-31.
- Rev. Philip Milledoler, D. D.,
Professor of Didactic and Polemic Theology at New Brunswick, 1825-41.
- Rev. Selah S. Woodhull, D. D.,
Professor of Ecclesiastical History, Church Government and
Pastoral Theology, New Brunswick, 1825-26.
- Rev. James S. Cannon, D. D.,
Professor of Ecclesiastical History, Church Government and
Pastoral Theology, New Brunswick, 1826-52.
- Rev. Alexander McClelland, D. D.,
Professor Biblical Literature at New Brunswick, 1832-51.
- Rev. Samuel A. Van Vranken, D. D.,
Professor of Didactic and Polemic Theology at New Brunswick, 1841-61.
- Rev. William H. Campbell, D. D., LL.D.,
Professor of Biblical Literature at New Brunswick, 1851-63.
- Rev. John Ludlow, D. D.,
Professor of Pastoral Theology, Ecclesiastical History and
Church Government at New Brunswick, 1852-57.
- Rev. Samuel M. Woodbridge, D. D., LL.D.,
Professor of Pastoral Theology, Ecclesiastical History and
Church Government at New Brunswick, 1857-65.
Professor Ecclesiastical History and Church Government,
1865-1901.
Emeritus Professor of Ecclesiastical History and Church
Government, 1901-1905.
- Rev. Joseph F. Berg, D. D.,
Professor of Didactic and Polemic Theology at New Brunswick, 1861-71.

- Rev. John DeWitt, D. D., LL.D., Litt. D.,
Professor of Biblical Literature at New Brunswick, 1863-84.
Professor of Hellenistic Greek and New Testament Exegesis,
1884-92.
- Rev. David D. Demarest, D. D., LL.D.,
Professor of Pastoral Theology and Sacred Rhetoric at New
Brunswick, 1865-98.
- Rev. Abram B. VanZandt, D. D., LL.D.,
Professor of Didactic and Polemic Theology at New Brun-
swick, 1872-81.
Emeritus Professor of Didactic and Polemic Theology, New
Brunswick, 1881.
- Rev. William V. V. Mabon, D. D., LL.D.,
Professor of Didactic and Polemic Theology at New Brun-
swick, 1881-92.
- Rev. John G. Lansing, D. D.,
Professor of Old Testament Languages and Exegesis at New
Brunswick, 1884-98.
- Rev. James F. Riggs, D. D.,
Professor of Hellenistic Greek and New Testament Exe-
gesis, 1892-98.
- Rev. John Preston Searle, D. D.,
Professor of Systematic Theology, 1893.
- Rev. John Gillispie, D. D.,
Professor of Hellenistic Greek and New Testament Exe-
gesis, 1898-1911.
- Rev. Ferdinand S. Schenck, D. D., LL.D.,
Professor of Practical Theology, 1899.
- Rev. John H. Raven, D. D.,
Professor of Old Testament Languages and Exegesis, 1899.
- Rev. William H. S. Demarest, D. D.,
Professor of Ecclesiastical History and Church Government,
1901-06.

Rev. Edward P. Johnson, D. D.,
Professor of Sacred and Ecclesiastical History, 1906.

Rev. J. Frederick Berg, D. D., Ph.D.,
Professor of Hellenistic Greek, and New Testament Exegesis,
1911-17.

Rev. J. W. Beardslee, Jr., D. D., Ph.D.,
Professor of Hellenistic Greek, and New Testament Exegesis, 1917.

TEMPORARY ASSISTANTS.

Rev. Peter Studdiford,
Instructor in Hebrew, 1813-14.

Rev. James S. Cannon, D.D.,
Instructor in Ecclesiastical History, Church Government and
Pastoral Theology, 1818-19.

Rev. John S. Mabon,
Instructor in Hebrew and Greek, 1818-19.

Rev. Alexander McClelland, D. D.,
Instructor in Hebrew, 1831-32.

Rev. George W. Bethune, D. D.,
Lecturer on Pulpit Eloquence, 1857-58.

Rev. Samuel M. Woodbridge, D. D., LL.D.,
Instructor in Didactic and Polemic Theology, 1871-72, 1881,
1892-93.

Rev. Talbot W. Chambers, D. D., LL.D.,
Assistant Instructor in New Testament Exegesis, 1883-84.
Instructor in Didactic and Polemic Theology, 1877.

Rev. Edward T. Corwin, D. D.,
Assistant Instructor in Hebrew and Old Testament Exegesis,
1883-4; Jan.-Mar., 1889. Jan.-Feb., 1890. Sept., 1890.
May, 1891. New Testament Exegesis, Jan.-May, 1892.

- Rev. John H. Raven, D. D.,
Instructor in Old Testament Languages and Exegesis, 1898-99.
- Rev. John Preston Searle, D. D.,
Instructor in Practical Theology, 1898-99.
- Rev. John H. Gillespie, D. D.,
Instructor in Practical Theology, 1898-99.
- Rev. A. H. Huizinga, Ph.D.,
Instructor in Old Testament Languages and Exegesis, 1902-1903.
- Rev. J. F. Berg, Ph.D.,
Lector in Biblical Theology, 1905-11.
- Rev. Mancius H. Hutton, D. D.,
Instructor in Hellenistic Greek and New Testament Exegesis,
1907.
- Rev. John H. Gillespie, D. D.,
Instructor in Textual Criticism and Missions, 1911-1915.
Lector in Missions, 1915-
Instructor in New Testament Text Criticism, 1915-
- Rev. Simon Blocker,
Acting Lector in Biblical Theology, 1917.
Lector in Biblical Theology, 1918.
- Rev. J. W. Beardslee, Sr., D. D.,
Acting Lector in the English Bible, 1917.

PROFESSORS AND LECTORS.

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WESTERN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AT HOLLAND, MICH.

Rev. Cornelius E. Crispell, D. D.,

Instructor in Theology, 1866-67.

Professor Didactic and Polemic Theology, 1867-77.

Rev. Charles Scott, D. D.,

Lector in Church History, 1867-77.

Rev. Theodoric Romeyn Beck, D. D.,

Lector in Biblical Criticism and Philology, 1867-77.

Rev. Philip Phelps, D. D.,

Lector in Exegetical Theology, 1867-77.

Rev. Peter J. Oggel,

Lector in Pastoral Theology and Sacred Rhetoric, 1867-70.

Rev. Nicholas M. Steffens, D. D.,

Professor of Didactic and Polemic Theology, 1884-95.

Instructor in Hebrew, 1884-88.

Instructor in Practical Theology, 1884-95.

Rev. Peter Moerdyke, D. D.,

Lector in New Testament Exegesis, 1884-86.

Rev. Henry E. Dosker, D. D.,

Lector in Historical Theology, 1884-88.

Lector in New Testament Exegesis, 1886-88.

Rev. John W. Beardslee, D. D., LL.D.,

Professor of Biblical Languages, Literature and Exegesis
1888-1913.Professor of Old Testament Language and Literature, 1913-
17.

Emeritus Professor.

Rev. Egbert Winter, D. D.,

Professor of Didactic and Polemic Theology, 1895-1904.

- Rev. Henry E. Dosker, D. D.,
Professor of Historical Theology, 1894-1903.
- Rev. Nicholas M. Steffens, D. D.,
Professor of Historical Theology, 1903-11.
In charge of Didactic and Polemic Theology, 1910-11.
- Rev. Gerrit H. Dubbink, D. D.,
Professor of Didactic and Polemic Theology, 1904-10.
- Rev. James F. Zwemer, D. D.,
Professor of Practical Theology, 1907-16.
Emeritus Professor of Practical Theology, 1916.
- Rev. Nicholas M. Steffens, D. D.,
Professor of Didactic and Polemic Theology, 1911-12.
- Rev. Matthew Kolyn, D. D.,
Instructor in Historical Theology, 1910-11.
Professor of Historical Theology, 1911.
- Rev. Evert J. Blekkink, D. D.,
Professor of Systematic Theology, 1913.
- Rev. John W. Beardslee, Jr., Ph.D., D. D.,
Professor of New Testament Language and Literature, 1913-17.
- Rev. John E. Kuizenga, D. D.,
Instructor in Practical Theology, 1915-16.
Professor of Practical Theology, 1916.
- Rev. Henry Hospers, D. D.,
Instructor in Old Testament Language and Literature, 1917.
Professor of Old Testament Language and Literature, 1918

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY IN THE ARCOT MISSION, INDIA.

- Rev. William W. Scudder, D. D.,
Professor of Theology, 1888-95.
- Rev. Jacob Chamberlain, D. D.,
Lector in Biblical Languages and Literature and Exposition of Prophecy, 1891.
- Rev. Jared W. Scudder, M. D., D. D.,
Professor of Theology, 1895-1908.

Rev. John H. Wyckoff, D. D.,
Lector in Theology, 1904-05.

Rev. John H. Wyckoff, D. D.,
Professor of Theology, 1908-1915.

Rev. Lewis R. Scudder, M. D., D. D.,
Professor of Theology, 1917.

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From Classes.

Classis.		Terms Expire.
Albany	Rev. Jos. A. Jones.....	May, 1921
Bergen	" Albert Von Schlieder.....	" 1922
Bergen, South	" F. S. Wilson.....	" 1919
Green	" J. Herge	" 1923
Hudson	" Herman Hageman	" 1920
Kingston	" T. A. Beekman	" 1919
Long Island, North... ..	" C. D. F. Steinfuhrer.....	" 1923
Long Island, South.. ..	" James M. Farrar	" 1920
Monmouth	" Garret M. Conover.....	" 1920
Montgomery	" C. Fred Benjamin	" 1923
Newark	" A. T. Broek	" 1920
New Brunswick	" W. H. S. Demarest	" 1922
New York	" Edgar Tilton, Jr.....	" 1920
Orange	" Peter Crispell	" 1921
Palisades	" Charles S. Wright.....	" 1919
Paramus	" John A. Van Nest.....	" 1919
Passaic	" Thos. P. Vernoll.....	" 1923
Philadelphia	" Andrew J. Walter.....	" 1921
Poughkeepsie	" C. P. Case	" 1922
Raritan	" Chas G. Mallery	" 1921
Rensselaer	" E. A. MacCullon	" 1922
Rochester	" G. H. Hospers.....	" 1923
Saratoga	" H. F. Hamlin.....	" 1922
Schenectady	" C. P. Ditmars	" 1919
Schoharie	" John H. Brandow	" 1919
Ulster	" Henry W. Brink	" 1919
Westchester	" H. DeVries	" 1919

Ex- Officio.

The President of the Faculty.

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PARTICULAR SYNOD OF CHICAGO.

Terms Expire.

Rev. M. Flipse May, 1923

PARTICULAR SYNOD OF ALBANY.

Elder Wm. Van Orden May, 1920

Elder J. Townsend Lansing..... May, 1922

PARTICULAR SYNOD OF NEW YORK.

Elder Chas. W. Osborne..... May, 1923

Prof. Marston S. Bogart..... May, 1919

PARTICULAR SYNOD OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

Elder John E. Pratt, M. D. May, 1923

Elder Austin Scott May, 1922

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MICH., WITH THE DATES OF THE EXPIRATION OF THEIR
TERMS OF SERVICE.

From Classes.

Classis.	Terms Expire.
Cascades	Rev. B. Van Heuvelen 1923
Chicago	" H. J. Pietenpol..... 1923
Dakota	" D. McEwan 1922
Germania	" Henry Huenemann 1919
Grand River	" Abr. De Young 1921
Holland	" Benjamin Hoffman 1923
Illinois	" J. P. Winter 1923
Iowa	" F. Lubbers 1919
Michigan	" Ralph Bloemendal 1919
Pella	" A. Rozendal 1920
Pleasant Prairie	" John G. Theilken 1923
Wisconsin	" J. J. Hollebrands 1919

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Ex-Officio.

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PARTICULAR SYNOD OF CHICAGO.

Terms Expire

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Rev. G. Tysse	1923
Elder E. Tenninga	1923
Elder H. E. Langeland	1920
Rev. John Engelsman	1922
Elder Cornelius Dosker	1919

PARTICULAR SYNOD OF NEW YORK.

Rev. J. M. Farrar	1923
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PARTICULAR SYNOD OF ALBANY.

Rev. James S. Kittell	1919
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PARTICULAR SYNOD OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

Rev. Isaac W. Gowen	1923
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WITH THE DATES OF THE EXPIRATION OF THEIR TERMS
OF SERVICE.

Terms Expire.

Rev. John G. Gebhard	1919
Rev. Isaac W. Gowen	1920
Mr. Herman M. Liesveld	1921
Mr. Arend Visscher	1923
Mr. G. J. Diekema	1923
Rev. Peter Moerdyke	1920

Rev. A. Vennema	1924
Rev. John Lamar	1924
Mr. Albert Lahuis	1922

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The members of the Board of Superintendents of the Western Theological Seminary are elected for five years.

The Synodical members of the Council of Hope College are elected for six years.

Committees, Commissions and Delegations.

CONTINUATION COMMITTEES.

(Committees which act until the close of Synod of 1919.)

Correspondence and Program.

Rev Jasper S. Hogan, *Chairman*,
 Rev. E. J. Blekkink, Rev. Henry Lockwood,
 Rev. Garrett M. Conover, Elder George Tiffany.

State of Religion.

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To Consider Enlargement of Synod Church at Asbury Park.

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Acquackanonck Passaic	Paramus	Astoria, L. I.—	
Ackley, Ia., <i>Washington</i> , Pl. Prairie		<i>First</i>	North Long Island
Ada, Mich.	Grand River	<i>Second</i>	North Long Island
Addisville, Richboro	Philadelphia	Athenia, N. J., <i>Centreville</i>	Paramus
Albany, N. Y.—		Athens, N. Y.	Greene
<i>First</i> , No. Pearl Street	Albany	Atwood, Central Lake, Mich.,	
<i>Madison Ave.</i>	Albany	<i>Grand River</i>	
<i>Third</i> , Ten Eyck Ave.	Albany	Auriesville, N. Y.	Montgomery
<i>Fourth</i> , Schuyler St.	Albany	<i>Aurora</i> , Stickney, S. D.	Dakota
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Alexander, Ia., <i>First</i> , Pl. Prairie		<i>Baker</i> , Melvin, Ia.	Germania
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<i>sand Isles</i>	Montgomery	<i>Barron Island</i>	South Long Island
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Philadelphia		Bayonne, N. J.—	
Allendale <i>First</i> , Jenison, Mich.,		<i>First</i>	South Bergen
Michigan		<i>Third</i>	South Bergen
Altamont, N. Y.	Schenectady	<i>Fifth Street</i>	South Bergen
Alto, Waupun, Wis.	Wisconsin	Beacon, N. Y., <i>Fishkill-on-Hud-</i>	
Alton, Iowa	Iowa	<i>son</i>	Poughkeepsie
Alvord	Iowa	Beacon, N. Y., <i>Glenham</i> ,	
Amity, Rexfords, N. Y.	Schenectady	Poughkeepsie	
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<i>First</i>	Montgomery	<i>Beaverdam</i> , Zealand, Mich.	Holland
<i>Trinity</i>	Montgomery	Bedminster, N. J.	Raritan
Anderson Men'l.	New York	Belfast, Me., <i>Trinity</i>	New York
Annandale, N. J.	Raritan	Belle Mead, N. J., <i>Griggstown</i> ,	
Annville, Ky.	New York	New Brunswick	
Apache, Indian	New York	Belleville, <i>Second River</i>	Newark
Aplington, Ia.—		<i>Bellevue</i> , <i>Schenectady</i>	Schenectady
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<i>Monroe</i>	Pleasant Prairie	<i>Bergen</i> , Jersey City.	South Bergen
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Arlington	Poughkeepsie	<i>Second</i> , Knox, N. Y.	Albany

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Bethany Mem'l, N. Y. New York
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Bethel, Pella, Ia. Pella
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Bigelow, Minn. Iowa
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Bloomington, N. Y. Orange
Bloomington, N. Y., Bloomingdale Kingston
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Bogota, N. J., Bogart Mem'l Bergen
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Greenwood Heights South L. I.
Kent Street North Long Island
New Brooklyn South Long Island
New Lots South Long Island
New Utrecht South Long Island
Ocean Hill South Long Island
Ridgewood South Long Island
South, 427 56th St. South L. I.
South Bushwick North L. I.
Twelfth Street South Long Island
Williamsburg North Long Island
Windsor Terrace South L. I.
Woodhaven South L. I.
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Emmanuel, *Poughkeepsie*, ..
Poughkeepsie
Englewood, *First*, Chicago..Chicago
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field, N. J.Bergen
Ephratah, N. Y.Montgomery
Erie, Ill., *Newton*.....Wisconsin
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Everly, *Cromwell Center*..Germania
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Fort Herkimer, Mohawk, N. Y.,
Montgomery
Fort Miller, N. Y.Saratoga
Fort Plain, *First*.....Montgomery
Fort Plain, *Stone Arabia*,
Montgomery
Fort Washington.....New York
Forreston, Ill....Pleasant Prairie
Forrestville, Ringle.....Wisconsin
Franklin, Nutley, N. J.Newark
Franklin, Hales Corners, Wis.,
Wisconsin
Franklin Park, N. J., *Six Mile*
RunNew Brunswick
Free Grace, Middleburg, Orange
City, Ia.Iowa
Freehold, *First*, Marlboro, N. J.,
Monmouth
Freehold, N. J., *Second*..Monmouth
Friesland, Sandstone, Minn....Iowa
Fremont, Mich.Grand River
Fruitland Mesa, Crawford, Colo.,
Iowa
Fulton, Ill., *First*.....Chicago
Fulton, Ill., *Second*.....Chicago
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N. Y.North Long Island
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<i>German Valley, Ill., Silver Creek, Pleasant Prairie</i>		<i>Trinity</i>	Michigan
<i>Ghent, N. Y.—</i>		<i>Grand View, Armour, S. D.</i>	Dakota
<i>First</i>	Rensselaer	<i>Grandville, Mich.</i>	Grand River
<i>Second</i>	Rensselaer	<i>Grant, Mich.</i>	Grand River
<i>New Concord</i>	Rensselaer	<i>Gravesend, Brooklyn</i>	South L. I.
<i>Gibbsville, Sheboygan Falls, Wis., Wisconsin</i>		<i>Gray Hawk, Ky.</i>	New York
<i>Gilboa, N. Y.—</i>		<i>Greenberg, Elmsford</i>	Westchester
<i>First</i>	Schoharie	<i>Greenbush, East Greenbush, N. Y.</i>	Rensselaer
<i>South</i>	Schoharie	<i>Greenleaf, Preston</i>	Wisconsin
<i>Glen, N. Y.</i>	Montgomery	<i>Greenport, Hudson, N. Y.</i>	Hudson
<i>Glenham, Beacon, N. Y., Poughkeepsie</i>		<i>Greenpoint, Brooklyn</i>	North L. I.
<i>Glen Head, N. Y., Oyster Bay, North Long Island</i>		<i>Greenville, Jersey City</i>	S. Bergen
<i>Glen Rock, Ridgewood, N. J., Paramus</i>		<i>Greenville, Scarsdale, N. Y., Westchester</i>	
<i>Glenville, First, Cranesville, N. Y.</i>	Schenectady	<i>Greenwich, N. Y.—</i>	
<i>Scotia, N. Y.</i>	Schenectady	<i>First</i>	Saratoga
<i>Goodland, Ind.</i>	Wisconsin	<i>Easton</i>	Saratoga
<i>Graafschap, Holland, Mich.</i>	Holland	<i>Greenwood Heights, Brooklyn, N. Y.</i>	South Long Island
<i>Grace, Brooklyn</i>	South Long Island	<i>Griggstown, Belle Mead, N. J., New Brunswick</i>	
<i>Grace, Grand Rapids</i>	Michigan	<i>Grove Church, New Durham, Weehawken, N. J.</i>	Bergen
<i>Grace, Orangeburgh, S. C., Philadelphia</i>		<i>Guilderland Center, N. Y., Hel-derberg</i>	Schenectady
<i>Grahamsville, N. Y.</i>	Orange	<i>Guilford, New Paltz, N. Y.</i>	Kingston
<i>Grahamsville, Claraville</i>	Orange	<i>Guttenberg, Passaic, N. J.</i>	Palisades
<i>Grahamsville, Walkill</i>	Orange	<i>Hackensack, N. J.—</i>	
<i>Grand Gorge</i>	Schoharie	<i>First</i>	Bergen
<i>Grand Haven, Mich.—</i>		<i>Second</i>	Bergen
<i>First</i>	Grand River	<i>Third</i>	Bergen
<i>Second</i>	Michigan	<i>Hagaman, N. Y.</i>	Montgomery
<i>Grand Rapids, Mich.—</i>		<i>Italian</i>	Bergen
<i>Bethany</i>	Michigan	<i>Hales Corners, Wis., Franklin, Wisconsin</i>	
<i>Bethel</i>	Michigan	<i>Hamilton, Mich.—</i>	
<i>East Paris</i>	Grand River	<i>American</i>	Michigan
<i>Eighth, Burton Ave.</i>	Grand River	<i>Dunningville</i>	Holland
<i>Fifth, Carpenter St.</i>	Grand River	<i>East Overisel</i>	Holland
<i>First, Fountain St.</i>	Michigan	<i>First</i>	Holland
<i>Fourth, North Ionia St.</i>	Grand River	<i>Hamilton Grange</i>	New York
<i>Grace</i>	Michigan	<i>Harlem, Mich.</i>	Holland
<i>Immanuel</i>	Michigan	<i>Harlem, New York City</i>	New York
<i>Knapp Ave.</i>	Michigan	<i>Harlingen, N. J.</i>	Philadelphia
		<i>Harrington Park, N. J.</i>	Bergen
		<i>Harrison, S. D.</i>	Dakota
		<i>Hasbrouck Heights, N. J.</i>	Bergen

CHURCH.	CLASSIS.	CHURCH.	CLASSIS.
Hastings-on-Hudson, N. Y., Westchester		Howe's Cave, N. Y.—	
Hawthorne, N. J.	Paramus	First Cobleskill, N. Y.	Schoharie
Hawthorne, N. Y., Unionville, Westchester		Second	Schoharie
Helderberg, Guilderland Center, N. Y.	Schenectady	Hudson City, Jersey City, South Bergen	
Herkimer, N. Y.	Montgomery	Hudson, N. Y.	Hudson
Herman, Minn.	Germania	Hudson, N. Y., Greenport. . . .	Hudson
Hicksville, N. Y.	North Long Island	Hudson, N. Y., Hungarian. . . .	Hudson
High Bridge (Union) New York City	New York	Hudsonville, Mich.—	
High Bridge, N. J.	Raritan	Hudsonville	Holland
High Falls, N. Y., Clove. . . .	Kingston	South Blendon	Holland
Highland Park, N. J., N. Brunswick		North Blendon	Holland
Highwood, N. J.	Bergen	First Jamestown	Holland
High Woods, Mt. Marion, N. Y., Ulster		Huguenot Park, S. I.	New York
Hillsborough, Millstone, N. J., New Brunswick		Hull, Ia., First	Iowa
Hingham, Wis.	Wisconsin	Hull, Ia., American	Dakota
Hoboken, N. J.—		Hungarian, Hudson,	Hudson
First	Palisades	Hungarian, Peekskill, N. Y., Westchester	
German Evangelical	Palisades	Hungarian, West Side, Chicago, Illinois	
Holland, Little Falls, N. J. . . .	Passaic	Hurley, N. Y.	Kingston
Holland, Wortendyke, N. J. . . .	Paramus	Hyde Park, N. Y.	Poughkeepsie
Holland, Fifth, Albany	Albany	Hyde Park, East Orange, N. J., Newark	
Holland, Sixth, Paterson.	Passaic	Interlaken, N. Y.	Montgomery
Holland, Union, Paterson.	Passaic	Immanuel, Belmond, Ia., Pleasant Prairie	
Holland, Mich.—		Immanuel, Grand Rapids, Mich., Michigan	
Ebenezer	Holland	Indianapolis, Ind.	Chicago
First	Holland	Inwood, Ia.	Iowa
Fourth	Holland	Ireton, Ia.	Iowa
Graafschap	Holland	Irvington, N. J.—	
Harlem	Holland	First	Newark
Hope	Michigan	Second	Newark
North	Holland	Italian, Hackensack	Bergen
Third	Holland	Italian, Mt. Olivet	Newark
Trinity	Michigan	Jamaica, L. I.—	
Sixth	Holland	First	North Long Island
Holland, Neb.	Iowa	German Evangelical.	North L. I.
Holmdel, N. J.	Monmouth	Jamestown, Mich., Second. . . .	Holland
Hope, Big Timber, Mont.	Cascades	Jamestown, First, Hudsonville, Mich.	Holland
Hope, George, Ia.	Germania	Jay Gould Mem'l, Roxbury. . . .	Ulster
Hope, Holland, Mich.	Michigan	Jenison, Allendale, First.	Michigan
Hope, Westfield, N. D.	Dakota	Jersey City, N. J.—	
Hope, W. Hoboken, N. J.	Palisades	Bergen	South Bergen
Hope, Sheboygan, Wis.	Wisconsin	Central Avenue.	Palisades
Hopewell Junction, N. Y., Poughkeepsie		Faith	South Bergen
Hospers, Iowa—		German Evang., First,	South Bergen
First	Iowa	Greenville	South Bergen
Newkirk	Iowa	Hudson City, Second.	S. Bergen

CHURCH.	CLASSIS.	CHURCH.	CLASSIS.
<i>Lafayette</i>	South Bergen	Lestor, Iowa	Iowa
<i>Park</i>	South Bergen	Linden, N. J.	Newark
<i>St. John's German Ev.</i> . .	S. Bergen	Litchville, N. D.	Dakota
<i>First Van Vorst</i>	South Bergen	Linlithgo, Livingston, N. Y.	Hudson
<i>West Side</i>	South Bergen	Linlithgo, Livingston Mem'l.	Hudson
Jerusalem, N. Y.—		<i>Lisha's Kill</i> , W. Albany.	Schenectady
<i>First Feura Bush</i> , N. Y. . .	Albany	Little Falls, N. J.—	
<i>Onesquethaw</i>	Albany	<i>First</i>	Passaic
Johnstown, N. Y.	Montgomery	<i>Second, Holland</i>	Passaic
Kalamazoo, Mich.—		Little Falls, N. Y., <i>Manheim</i> ,	Montgomery
<i>First</i>	Grand River	Little Rock, Ia., <i>Salem</i> . . .	Germania
<i>Second</i>	Michigan	<i>Livingston Mem'l</i> , Linlithgo,	
<i>Third</i>	Grand River	N. Y.	Hudson
<i>Fourth</i>	Grand River	Livingston, Linlithgo	Hudson
<i>Bethany</i>	Michigan	Locust Valley	North Long Island
<i>Twin Lakes</i>	Grand River	Lodi, N. J.—	
<i>North Park St.</i>	Michigan	<i>First Holland</i>	Paramus
Katsbaan, Saugerties	Ulster	<i>Second</i>	Paramus
Kent St. (<i>Greenpoint</i>) . .	North L. I.	Lodi, N. Y.	Montgomery
Kensington, Ital Miss., Chicago,		<i>Logan</i> , Dell Rapids	Germania
Illinois		Long Branch, N. J.	Monmouth
Kerhonkson, N. Y.	Orange	Long Island City, N. Y.—	
Keyport, N. J.	Monmouth	<i>First</i>	North Long Island
Killduff, Ia., <i>First</i>	Pella	<i>Steinway</i>	North Long Island
Killduff, Ia., <i>Galesburg</i> . . .	Pella	<i>Sunnyside</i>	North Long Island
Kinderhook, N. Y.	Rensselaer	<i>Lower Walpack</i> , Bushkill . .	Orange
Kings, Ill., <i>Elim</i>	Pleasant Prairie	Lucas, Mich., <i>Rehoboth</i> . Grand River	
Kingston, N. Y.—		<i>Luctor</i> , Prairie View, Kans. .	Iowa
<i>First</i>	Ulster	Lyndeburg, Bethel	Philadelphia
<i>Fair Street</i>	Kingston	Lynden, Wash.	Cascades
<i>Comforter</i>	Ulster	<i>Lyonsville</i> , Krumville, N. Y.,	Kingston
Kiskatom, Catskill, N. Y. . .	Greene	<i>Madison Ave.</i> , Albany, N. Y. .	Albany
<i>Knor Mem'l</i> , N. Y.	New York	<i>Madison Ave.</i> , N. Y. City . .	New York
Knox, N. Y.—		Mahwah, N. J., <i>Ramapo</i> . . .	Paramus
<i>First</i> , Knox, N. Y.	Albany	<i>Mamakating</i> , Wurtsboro . . .	Orange
<i>Second Berne</i>	Albany	Manhasset, N. Y., <i>North Hemp-</i>	
<i>Koster</i> , St. Anne, Ill.	Wisconsin	<i>stead</i>	North Long Island
Kreischersville, St. Peter's . .	N. Y.	Manhattan, Mont.	Cascades
Krumville	Kingston	<i>Manheim</i> , Little Falls . .	Montgomery
Krumville, Lyonsville	Kingston	Manito, Ill.	Illinois
<i>Lafayette</i> Jersey City	South Bergen	<i>Manor Chapel</i>	New York
Lafayette, Ind.	Chicago	Maple Lake, Minn., <i>Silver Creek</i> ,	Iowa
Lakeview, S. D.	Dakota	Mapletown, N. Y.	Montgomery
Lamont, Mich.	Grand River	<i>Marble Collegiate</i>	New York
Lansing, Ill.	Chicago	<i>Marbletown</i> , Stone Ridge . .	Kingston
Lawton, Okla., <i>Vermilge</i> . .	New York	Marbletown, North	Kingston
Lawyersville, N. Y.	Schoharie	Marconnier, Oak Tree, N. J.	Newark
Lawyersville, Sharon	Schoharie	Mariner's Harbor, S. I. . .	New York
Lebanon, N. J.	Raritan	Marion, N. Y.—	
Leeds, N. Y.	Greene	<i>First</i>	Rochester
Leighton, Ia., <i>Ebenezer</i> . . .	Pella	<i>Second</i>	Rochester
Lennox, S. D.—		Marion, N. D.	North Dakota
<i>Delaware</i>	Germania		
<i>Second</i>	Germania		
Leota, Minn., <i>Bethel</i>	Iowa		

CHURCH.

CLASSIS.

Marlboro, N. J., *Freehold*, First,
Monmouth
Mason City, Ill., *Pennsylvania*
Lane Illinois
Matlock Iowa
Maurice, Iowa, *First* Iowa
Maurice, Iowa, *American* Dakota
McKee, Ky. New York
Mellenville, N. Y. Hudson
Melrose, N. Y. City New York
Melvin, Ia., *Baker* Germania
Melvin Iowa
Mescalero, N. M. New York
Meservey, Ia. Pleasant Prairie
Metuchen, N. J. New Brunswick
Middleburgh, *Free Grace*, Orange
City, Ia. Iowa
Middleburg, N. Y. Schoharie
Middlebush, N. J. New Brunswick
Middle Collegiate New York
Middletown, N. J. Monmouth
Millbrook, South Millbrook, N.
Y. Poughkeepsie
Mile Square Yonkers. Westchester
Millstone, N. J., *Hillsborough*.
New Brunswick
Milwaukee, Wis. Wisconsin
Minaville, N. Y., *Florida*,
Montgomery
Minisink, Port Jervis, N. Y. Orange
Moddersville, Mich. Grand River
Mohawk, N. Y. Montgomery
Monarch, Alberta, Canada. Cascades
Monroe, Appington, Ia. Pl. Prairie
Monroe, S. D., *First* Germania
Monroe, *Sandham Mem.* Dakota
Monsey, N. Y.—
West New Hempstead... Paramus
Saddle River Paramus
Montague, N. Y., *Minisink*.. Orange
Montana, First, Conrad.... Cascades
Montclair Heights, Upper Mont-
clair Newark
Montgomery, N. Y. Orange
Montrose, N. Y., *Cortlandtown*,
Westchester
Montville, N. J. Passaic
Morrison, Ill., *Ebenezer*.... Chicago
Mott Haven, N. Y. City.. New York
Mountain Lakes, N. J. Passaic
Mt. Greenwood, Ill. Chicago
Mt. Marion, N. Y., *High Woods*,
Ulster
Mt. Marion, N. Y., *Plattekill*.. Ulster

CHURCH.

CLASSIS.

Mt. Olivet, Ital., Newark, N. J.,
Newark
Mount Pleasant, Schenectady, N.
Y. Schenectady
Mount Ross, N. Y., *Gallatin*. Hudson
Mount Vernon, N. Y. Westchester
Muskegon, Mich.—
First Grand River
Second Michigan
Third Grand River
Unity Michigan
Napanoch, Warwarsing, N. Y.,
Orange
Nassau, N. Y. Rensselaer
Naumburg, N. Y. Montgomery
Neshanic, N. J. Philadelphia
Netherwood, Plainfield Newark
Newark, N. J.—All in Classis of
Newark.
First, Johnson Ave.
Christ, Belleville Ave.
Clinton Avenue.
New York Ave.
North, Broad St.
Trinity, Ferry St.
West, Blum St.
Newark, N. Y., *Arcadia*.. Rochester
New Baltimore, N. Y. Albany
New Brooklyn South Long Island
New Brunswick, N. J.—
First, Nelson St. N. Brunswick
Second, George St. N. Brunswick
Suydam St. N. Brunswick
Newburgh, N. Y. Orange
New Concord, Ghent Rensselaer
New Durham (Grove Church),
Weehawken, N. J. Palisades
New Era, Mich. Grand River
New Hackensack Poughkeepsie
New Hurley Wallkill Orange
New Hyde Park. North Long Island
Newkirk, Hospers, Ia. Iowa
New Lots, Brooklyn.... South L. I.
New Paltz, N. Y., *Guilford*. Kingston
New Paltz, N. Y. Kingston
New Prospect, Pine Bush, N. Y.,
Orange
New Salem, N. Y.—
First, Voorheesville Albany
Clarksville Albany
New Sharon, Ia. Pella
New Scotland, N. Y., *Union*.. Albany
Newton Fenton, Ill. Chicago
Newtown, First, Elmhurst,
North Long Island

CHURCH.	CLASSIS.	CHURCH.	CLASSIS.
<i>Newtown, German, Elmhurst, N. Y.</i>	North Long Island	<i>North Bergen, Weehawken, N. J.,</i>	Bergen
<i>New Utrecht, Brooklyn, N. Y.,</i>	South Long Island	<i>North Blendon, Hudsonville, Mich.,</i>	Holland
<i>New York Ave., Newark..Newark</i>		<i>North Blenheim, N. Y....</i>	Schoharie
<i>New York City.—(All in Classis</i>		<i>North Branch, N. J.</i>	Raritan
<i>of New York).</i>		<i>North Hackensack, N. J....</i>	Bergen
<i>Anderson Mem'l.</i>		<i>North Hempstead, Manhasset, N. Y.</i>	North Long Island
<i>Avenue B, German Ev.</i>		<i>North Holland, Holland</i>	Holland
<i>Bethany Mem'l, 400 E. 67th St.</i>		<i>North Marion Ypsilanti, N. D.,</i>	Dakota
<i>Brighton Heights.</i>		<i>North Newark, N. J.....</i>	Newark
<i>Church of the Comforter.</i>		<i>North Paterson, N. J.....</i>	Paramus
<i>Clover Road Chapel, S. I.</i>		<i>North Sibley, Sibley.....</i>	Germania
<i>Collegiate Middle, 2d Ave. and 7th St.</i>		<i>Northumberland, Schuylerville, N. Y.</i>	Saratoga
<i>Collegiate Marble, 5th Ave. and 29th St.</i>		<i>North Western, Chicago</i>	Illinois
<i>Collegiate St. Nicholas, 5th Ave. and 48th St.</i>		<i>North Yakima, Wash.</i>	Cascades
<i>Collegiate, West End, West End Ave. and 77th St.</i>		<i>Nutley, N. J., Franklin....</i>	Newark
<i>Collegiate, Thirty-fourth St., near 8th Ave.</i>		<i>Nyack, N. Y.....</i>	Paramus
<i>Collegiate, Knox Mem'l Chapel, West 41st and 9th Ave.</i>		<i>Oak Harbor, Wash.....</i>	Cascade
<i>Collegiate, Vermilye Chapel, 54th St. and 10th Ave.</i>		<i>Oakland, N. J., Ponds.....</i>	Passaic
<i>Collegiate, Fort Washington, 181st St.</i>		<i>Oak Tree, N. J., Marconnier</i>	Newark
<i>Collegiate, Sunshine Chapel, 550 W. 40th St.</i>		<i>Ocean Hill, Brooklyn, N. Y.,</i>	South Long Island
<i>Elmendorf Chapel, E. 123d St.</i>		<i>Onesquethaw, Feura Bush, N. Y.,</i>	Albany
<i>Fordham Manor.</i>		<i>Ontario, N. Y.....</i>	Rochester
<i>Fourth Ger., 410 W. 45th St.</i>		<i>Oostburg, Wis.</i>	Wisconsin
<i>Sixty-eighth St., German.</i>		<i>Oradell, N. J.....</i>	Bergen
<i>German Ev. 78 Second St.</i>		<i>Orange, East Orange, N. J..</i>	Newark
<i>Grace, Seventh Ave. and 45th St.</i>		<i>Orangeburg, Grace</i>	Philadelphia
<i>Harlem, Lenox Ave.</i>		<i>Orange City, Iowa—</i>	
<i>Hamilton Grange, W. 150th St.</i>		<i>First</i>	Iowa
<i>High Bridge, Union, Woodcrest Ave.</i>		<i>American</i>	Dakota
<i>Huguenot Park, Staten Island.</i>		<i>Free Grace</i>	Iowa
<i>Madison Ave., c. 57th St.</i>		<i>Oregon, Ill., Ebenezer....</i>	Pl. Prairie
<i>Manor, W. 26th St.</i>		<i>Oscalcoosa, Ia.</i>	Pella
<i>Mariner's Harbor, Staten Island.</i>		<i>Ottawa, Zeeland</i>	Holland
<i>Mcrose, 748 Elton Ave.</i>		<i>Otley, Iowa</i>	Pella
<i>Mott Haven, 350 E. 146th St.</i>		<i>Owasco, N. Y.....</i>	Montgomery
<i>St. Peter's, Kreischersville, S. I.</i>		<i>Owasco Outlet, Auburn, N. Y.,</i>	Montgomery
<i>South, 1010 Park Ave.</i>		<i>Overshel, Holland</i>	Holland
<i>Staten Island, Port Richmond.</i>		<i>Oyster Bay, Glen Head, N. Y.,</i>	North Long Island
<i>West Farms, 1003 E. 179th St.</i>		<i>Palmyra, N. Y.....</i>	Rochester
<i>Zion Ger. Evang.</i>		<i>Paramus Ridgewood, N. J.</i>	Paramus
<i>Niskayuna, N. Y.....</i>	Schenectady	<i>Parkersburg, Ia....</i>	Pleasant Prairie
<i>North and Southampton,</i>		<i>Park, Jersey City....</i>	South Bergen
<i>Churchville, Pa.</i>	Philadelphia	<i>Park Hill, Yonkers....</i>	Westchester
		<i>Park Ridge, Pascack.....</i>	Paramus
		<i>Pascack, Park Ridge.....</i>	Paramus

CHURCH.

CLASSIS.

Passaic, N. J.—

AcquackanonckParamus*Holland, First*Paramus*Fourth*Paramus*Guttenberg*Palisades*North*Paramus

Paterson, N. J.—

BroadwayParamus*First, Holland*Paramus*Second*Paramus*Sixth, Holland*Passaic*People's Park*Passaic*Breakneck*Passaic*Riverside*Passaic*First, Totowa*Passaic*Union Reformed*PassaicPattersonville, N. Y., *Rotterdam*,*First*Schenectady

Peapack, N. J.Raritan

Peekskill, N. Y.—

Van NestWestchester*Hungarian*WestchesterPekin, Ill., *Second* ..Pleasant Prairie

Pella, Adams, Neb.Iowa

Pella, Iowa—

FirstPella*Second*Pella*Third*Pella*Bethel*Pella

Pennsylvania Lane, Mason City,

Ill.Illinois

People's Park, Paterson...Passaic

Peoria, Ill.Pleasant Prairie

Perth Amboy, *St. Paul's*,

New Brunswick

Philadelphia.—(All in Classis of
Philadelphia).*First*, 2225 N. Camac St.*Fourth*, Pechin St., Manayunk.*Fifth*, East Susquehanna Ave.*Tulmage Memorial*.

Philmont, N. Y.Hudson

Piermont, N. Y.Paramus

Pine Bush, *New Prospect*....OrangePipestone, Minn., *Churchville*..Iowa

Plainfield, N. J.—

GermanNewark*Netherwood*Newark*Trinity*Newark

Plainfield, Mich.Grand River

Platte, *Charles Mix*.....Dakota

Plattekill, Mt. Marion, N. Y. .Ulster

Pompton Plains, N. J.Passaic

Ponds, Oakland, N. J.Passaic

Pompton, Pompton Lakes..Passaic

CHURCH.

CLASSIS.

Portage, Mich.Grand River

Port Ewen, N. Y.Ulster

Port Jervis, N. Y.—

DeerparkOrange*Minisink*Orange*West End*OrangePort Richmond, *Staten Island*,

New York

Pottersville, N. J.Raritan

Poughkeepsie, N. Y.—

ArlingtonPoughkeepsie*Emmanuel*Poughkeepsie*First*Poughkeepsie

Prairie City, Ia.Pella

Prairie View, Kans., *Luctor*...Iowa

Prairie View, KansasIowa

Prattsville, N. Y.Schoharie

Breakneck, Paterson, N. J. Passaic

Preston, Minn., *Greenleafton*

Wisconsin

Princeton, Dunanesburg, N. Y.,

Schenectady

Pultneyville, N. Y.Rochester

Queens, N. Y.North Long Island

Randolph Center, Cambria, Wis.,

Wisconsin

RandolphWisconsin

Ramapo, Mahwah, N. J.Paramus

Ramsay, *Titonka*..Pleasant PrairieRaritan, N. J., *Third*.....Raritan*Raritan First*, Somerville..Raritan*Raritan, Second*, Somerville..Raritan*Raritan, Fourth*, Somerville..Raritan

Raritan, IllinoisIllinois

Readington, N. J.Raritan

Red Bank, N. J.Monmouth

Rehoboth, Lucas, Mich. Grand River

Rensselaer, N. Y.Rensselaer

Reynolds, *Schaghticoke*....SaratogaRexfords, N. Y., *Amity*.Schenectady

Rhinebeck, N. Y.Poughkeepsie

Richboro, *Addisville*...PhiladelphiaRidgefield, N. J., *English Neigh-**borhood*Bergen

Ridgewood, Brooklyn....South L. I.

Ridgewood, N. J.—

FirstParamus*Paramus*Paramus*Glen Rock*Paramus*Spring Valley*Bergen*Trinity*, Wortendyke ...Paramus*Upper Community*ParamusRifton, *Dashville Falls*....KingstonRingle, Wis., *Forrestville*.Wisconsin

Riverside, Paterson, N. J. Passaic

CHURCH.	CLASSIS.	CHURCH.	CLASSIS.
Rochester, Accord, N. Y.—	Kingston	Mt. Pleasant.	
Rochester, N. Y.—		Bellevue.	
<i>First</i>	Rochester	Woodlawn.	
<i>Second</i>	Rochester	Schodack	Rensselaer
<i>Brighton</i>	Rochester	Schodack Landing, N. Y.	Rensselaer
Rochelle Park, N. J.	Bergen	Schoharie, N. Y.	Schoharie
Rockaway, Whitehouse	Raritan	Schraalenburg Dumont	Bergen
Rock Rapids, Iowa	Iowa	Schuylerville, N. Y., Northumber-	
Rock Valley, Iowa, <i>First</i>	Iowa	<i>land</i>	Saratoga
Rock Valley, Iowa, <i>Carmel</i>	Iowa	Schuylerville, <i>Saratoga</i> ..	Saratoga
Rocky Hill, N. J.	New Brunswick	Scotia, N. Y.	Schenectady
Rosendale, N. Y.	Kingston	Scotland, S. D.	Germania
Rosendale Plains, Tillson. .	Kingston	Secaucus, N. J.	Palisades
Roseland, Svea, Minn.	Iowa	<i>Second River, Belleville, N. J.,</i>	
Roseland, <i>First</i> , Chicago	Chicago	<i>Newark</i>	
Roseland, <i>Second</i> , Chicago. .	Illinois	Selkirk, Bethlehem, <i>First</i> . . .	Orange
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ON THE

Seminary Grounds and Property

AT

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J.



PRESS OF J. HEIDINGSFELD Co., 42 ALBANY ST.
NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J.
1918.

REPORT

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America:

The General Synod's Standing Committee on Seminary Grounds and Property in New Brunswick, N. J., respectfully presents its

FORTY-NINTH ANNUAL REPORT.

Organization and Membership.

The Committee consists of E. Covert Hulst, W. E. Florance, Peter Cortelyou, W. L. Brower, Samuel Rowland, Mason R. Strong and the members of the Faculty. Professor Searle has been President of the Committee and Mr. Florance its Secretary and Treasurer. Mr. Florance, Mr. Cortelyou and Mr. Strong have constituted the sub-committee on Grounds and Property; Drs. Raven and Johnson that on Relation of Students to Hertzog Hall; Messrs. Hulst, Schenck and Rowland that on Hertzog Hall and its furnishings; Mr. Rowland, Mr. Hulst and Dr. Raven that on Library and Museum; Mr. Brower and Mr. Florance that on Heating and Lighting; and the Treasurer and the President that on Finance.

In accordance with the direction of General Synod (Minutes, page 85), the lay members were divided into three classes of two each, the first class to serve for one year, the second for two years, the third, and all subsequent classes chosen by General Synod, to serve for three years.

This division is as follows:

To serve until June, 1918—Messrs. Hulst and Florance.

To serve until June, 1919—Messrs. Cortelyou and Brower.

To serve until June, 1920—Messrs. Strong and Rowland.

Peter Hertzog Hall.

A few of the rooms of the students have been painted. Linoleum has been laid on the corridor of the second floor and in the Reading Room. For its sanitary value and greater quiet it is planned to place it in the remaining corridors.

The funds, the income of which belongs to this building, are insufficient to meet the fixed charges for its care, its lighting, and in these days of increased coal bills, its heating. The gifts of the churches for the current expenses of the Seminary have again proved indispensable in connection with Hertzog Hall.

The Superintendent completes his nineteenth year of continuous service.

Gardner A. Sage Library.

534 volumes, of which 446 were purchased and 88 were gifts, have been added to the Library. 12 pamphlets have been purchased and 65 donated. The total of our volumes and pamphlets is respectively 53,973 and 9,028.

The donors of the year include the Rev. W. W. Knox, D.D., Rev. W. H. S. Demarest, D.D., Rev. W. E. Griffis, D.D., the Misses Roe of New Brunswick, the University of Michigan, and Mrs. Abram Lansing of Albany. Evening use of the Library was discontinued during January, February and March on account of fuel conditions. There has been an increased use of the Library, especially in the evenings.

It is useless to hope, under existing conditions in the building world, for the extension which the growth of the Library most seriously demands.

James Suydam Hall and Museum.

Owing to the fuel situation this Hall was closed from the end of December until March, the old lecture rooms and the chapel in Hertzog Hall being used for the daily work of the classes.

No repairs have been made to this building.

Grounds and Property.

Electric lighting has been installed in the house occupied by Professor Searle. Slight repairs were made in Professor Beardslee's house, and the usual minor repairs in all the houses.

The hedges between the campus and the newly acquired lots on the north have been removed and these lots have been incorporated in the campus. They have been used for war gardens under the direction of a local charity. In view of the building situation no effort has been made toward putting any of this new property to the use for which it was purchased.

Conclusion.

The report of the Treasurer is appended. The terms of Mr. Hulst and Mr. Florance will expire at the meeting of your Reverend Body, and these vacancies must be filled by you.

Respectfully submitted for the Committee,

J. P. SEARLE,
President.

New Brunswick, N. J., May 14, 1918.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

W. E. Florance, Treasurer of the Standing Committee on Seminary Grounds and Property, in account with the several funds provided for the support of the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick, N. J.

1.—HERTZOG HALL MAINTENANCE.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1st, 1917	\$4.10
Frank R. Van Nest, Treasurer	1,187.80
Board of Education	900.00
Room Rent	532.50
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	\$2,624.40

PAYMENTS.

J. A. Schwenger, Superintendent	\$503.04
Dennis Murray, Janitor	196.68
Light	513.49
Miscellaneous	675.57
Water	40.83
Balance April 30th, 1918	694.79
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	\$2,624.40

2.—HERTZOG HALL REPAIRS.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1st, 1917	\$40.60
Frank R. Van Nest, Treasurer	475.12
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	\$515.72

PAYMENTS.

Mechanics	\$425.49
Balance April 30th, 1918	90.23
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	\$515.72

3.—SUYDAM HALL MAINTENANCE.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1st, 1917	\$223.47
Frank R. Van Nest, Treasurer	950.24
Public Service—Rebate	3.69
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	\$1,177.40

PAYMENTS.

J. A. Schwenger	\$193.44
Dennis Murray	196.68
Fuel	287.10
Water	19.00
Gas	19.09
Repairs and Miscellaneous	157.22
Balance April 30th, 1918	304.87
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	\$1,177.40

4.—BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1st, 1917	\$227.85
Frank R. Van Nest, Treasurer	950.24
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	\$1,178.09

SEMINARY GROUNDS

PAYMENTS.

J. A. Schwenger	\$293.52
Dennis Murray	180.18
Louis DeLello	610.00
Light	47.63
Labor and Miscellaneous	30.50
Balance April 30th, 1918	16.20

 \$1,178.09

5.—PROFESSORIAL DWELLINGS.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1st, 1917	\$342.27
Frank R. Van Nest, Treasurer	529.04

 \$871.31

PAYMENTS.

Repairs	\$519.75
Balance April 30th, 1918	351.56

 \$871.31

6.—PROPERTY FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1st, 1917	\$1,603.32
Frank R. Van Nest, Treasurer	690.63

 \$2,293.95

PAYMENTS.

Repairs to Buildings	\$266.29
Dennis Murray	16.38
Louis DeLello	65.00
Balance April 30th, 1918	1,946.28

 \$2,293.95

7.—SPECIAL FUND FOR EXPENSES.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1st, 1917	\$2,306.13
Frank R. Van Nest, Treasurer	61.98

 \$2,368.11

PAYMENTS.

Repairs to Buildings	\$1,532.72
Balance April 30th, 1918	835.39

 \$2,368.11

8.—SAGE LIBRARY MAINTENANCE.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1st, 1917	\$93.36
Frank R. Van Nest, Treasurer	1,663.63

 \$1,756.99

PAYMENTS.

John C. Van Dyke, Librarian	\$1,600.00
Balance April 30th, 1918	156.99

 \$1,756.99

AND PROPERTY.

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9.—PURCHASE OF BOOKS.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1st, 1917	\$53.91
Frank R. Van Nest, Treasurer	950.24

\$1,004.15

PAYMENTS.

For Purchase of Books and Periodicals	\$490.66
Balance April 30th, 1918	513.49

\$1,004.15

10.—ALCOVE ENDOWMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1st, 1917	\$1,258.86
Frank R. Van Nest, Treasurer	817.87

\$2,076.73

PAYMENTS.

Assistant Librarian	\$500.00
Janitor	60.00
Fuel	180.00
Light	37.10
Repairs, etc.	117.16
Water	19.00
Balance April 30th, 1918	1,163.47

\$2,076.73

11.—MUSEUM.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1st, 1917	\$65.07
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\$65.07

PAYMENTS.

Care of Museum	\$47.00
Balance April 30, 1918	18.07

\$65.07

12.—INTEREST AND MISCELLANEOUS.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1st, 1917	\$834.43
Interest on Bank Deposits	379.27

\$1,213.70

PAYMENTS.

Printing, Liability Insurance and Miscellaneous	\$176.13
Reception Expenses	121.78
Balance April 30th, 1918	915.79

\$1,213.70

13.—VEDDER FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1st, 1917	\$791.54
Frank R. Van Nest, Treasurer	237.56

\$1,029.10

PAYMENTS.

Purchase of Books, etc.	\$93.86
Balance April 30th, 1918	935.24

\$1,029.10

SEMINARY GROUNDS

14.—ANN HERTZOG MEMORIAL FUND FOR HERTZOG HALL.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1st, 1917	\$280.59
Frank R. Van Nest, Treasurer	1,000.00
	<u>\$1,280.59</u>

PAYMENTS.

Repairs and Miscellaneous	\$189.52
Light	7.25
Fuel	1,036.20
Balance on hand May 1st, 1918	47.62
	<u>\$1,280.59</u>

15.—LEGACY ANNA H. CARVER.

(MEMORIAL ANN HERTZOG) FOR LIBRARY.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1st, 1917	\$2,953.89
H. W. Wilson Co.—Rebate	10.00
	<u>\$2,963.89</u>

PAYMENTS.

Miscellaneous, etc.	\$474.80
Balance on hand May 1st, 1918	2,489.09
	<u>\$2,963.89</u>

16.—SILVERNAIL FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Frank R. Van Nest, Treasurer	\$256.00
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PAYMENTS.

Taxes, on Bishop Place Lots	\$256.00
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	Balances May 1, '17	Receipts	Totals	Payments	Balances Ap. 30, '18
Hertzog Hall Maintenance..	\$4.10	\$2,620.30	\$2,624.40	\$1,929.61	\$694.79
Hertzog Hall Repairs.....	40.60	475.12	515.72	425.49	90.23
Suydam Hall Maintenance..	223.47	953.93	1,177.40	872.53	304.88
Buildings and Grounds.....	227.85	950.24	1,178.09	1,161.83	16.26
Professorial Dwellings.....	342.27	529.04	871.31	519.75	351.56
Property	1,603.32	690.63	2,293.95	347.67	1,946.28
Special Fund	2,306.13	61.98	2,368.11	1,532.72	835.39
Sage Library Maintenance..	93.36	1,663.63	1,756.99	1,600.00	156.99
Purchase of Books.....	53.91	950.24	1,004.15	490.66	513.49
Alcove Endowment	1,258.86	817.87	2,076.73	913.26	1,163.47
Museum	65.07	.....	65.07	47.00	18.07
Interest and Miscellaneous..	834.43	379.27	1,213.70	297.91	915.79
Vedder Fund	791.54	237.56	1,029.10	93.86	935.24
Ann Hertzog Memorial Fund for Hertzog Hall	280.59	1,000.00	1,280.59	1,232.97	47.62
Legacy Anna H. Carver (Memorial Ann Hertzog) for Library	2,953.89	10.00	2,963.89	474.80	2,489.09
Silvernail Fund.....	.....	256.00	256.00	256.00	.....
	<u>\$11,079.39</u>	<u>\$11,595.81</u>	<u>\$22,675.20</u>	<u>\$12,196.06</u>	<u>\$10,479.14</u>

W. E. FLORANCE, Treasurer.

May 14, 1918.—Examined vouchers, footings and balances, which agree with pass books and statements of the Banks, and all found correct.

(Signed) E. COVERT HULST.
MASON R. STRONG.

Eighty-sixth Annual Report of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in America

The Sixty-first Year of Separate Action

Organized, 1832

Independent, 1857

Incorporated, 1860

MISSIONS

Amoy, China, 1842

Arcot, India, 1853

Japan, 1859

Arabia, 1894



Presented to the General Synod at
Asbury Park, N. J. June, 1918

ANNUAL REPORT, 1918

The Board of Foreign Missions respectfully presents to General Synod its Eighty-sixth Annual Report and the Sixty-first of its separate and independent action.

The year has been characterized by marked and unique events, all of these the more conspicuous because of the wide background of the Great World War in which, during the year, the United States has become an active participant and to which, during the same twelve months, all the countries in Asia, where our missionaries live and labor, have become even more closely related.

From every point of view this has been an eventful year. Judging by its activities and responsibilities toward the foreign missionary enterprise of the Christian Church, the Reformed Church in America has stood loyally by its obligations in the midst of turmoil and conflicting claims maintaining men and women in the various fields and providing means necessary to the task undertaken. It has not only been an eventful year; it has been a great year in the history of the Board's relation to the Church at home and the Churches in Asia growing up under its nourishing care. It has been a year in which men's souls have been tried and their judgments tested. A policy of abridgement has been urged in the interests of the advancement of the great National task that is now clearly paramount. These have naturally been applied to interests and obligations most remote. Appeals of an imperative character have crowded in upon us and upon our Constituency.

In the midst of these commanding external events and of many justifiable distractions from without, the internal Administrative Agency of the Board has undergone a vital and critical transformation. We still feel and shall long continue to feel the loss of the helpful companionship and fruitful cooperation of our late President, Dr. John G. Fagg. However, the prompt assumption of the duties of his office by his successor, our new

President, his quick comprehension of its responsibilities and duties, his sympathetic understanding of our administrative relations to the Church at home and to the missionaries abroad, his strong and effective cooperation and leadership, have made this transition an invigorating experience.

The Executive Agency of the Board has similarly undergone an important change in the Home Secretaryship. After four years in this relationship, the Rev. E. W. Miller, D.D., felt constrained to withdraw from this service in October, 1917. Many expressions of sincere appreciation have reached the Board of Dr. Miller's helpful and sympathetic relations to ministers and missionaries during his incumbency of this office. The following action was taken by the Board:

RESOLVED. 1. That the Board deeply sympathizes with Dr. Miller in the impaired condition of his health and expresses its earnest and sincere hope for his complete restoration.

2. That the Board expresses hearty appreciation of all that Dr. Miller has been able to do in this important office for the promotion of the cause of Foreign Missions.

Advantage was taken of the presence in this country on furlough of the Rev. L. J. Shafer and he was invited to assume, temporarily, the position of Home Secretary. The Board records with gratitude its appreciation of the valuable character of Mr. Shafer's cooperation during the year. Active and judicious in the carrying out of his tasks in the office and most responsive and diligent in his visits to Churches and Societies, he has borne a large share in the unusual results of the year. He will carry back with him, as he now returns to Japan, the confidence and the best wishes of the Board and of the Churches. Through this relationship the Mission in Japan will be brought still closer to us and we to it as it enters upon its new reorganized life.

These events in the inner life of the Board, while of unusual importance were by no means the most eventful of the year. Our representatives and colleagues on the mission fields have had their unusual experiences. The Service Flag of the Board

bears upon its white field nineteen blue stars and upon its red field, one golden star. This golden star represents Mrs. Arthur K. Bennett. Commissioned as Dr. Christine Iverson in 1909 as a medical missionary to Arabia, she gave her life in March, 1916, in war service while attending upon Turkish prisoners of war, from whom she contracted typhus fever, the Hospital in Basrah being then in Red Cross service under the Medical Department of the British Expeditionary Forces in Mesopotamia. Of the nineteen blue stars, two stand for members of the Board,—the President and Dr. J. Addison Jones, who have both been in war service in connection with the Y. M. C. A., one in a southern camp in the United States and the other in France. Of the remaining sixteen blue stars, thirteen represent missionaries, in fact and in embryo, all of whom would be in the mission field at this time or in the near future had they not responded to the call of the great National task now so clearly paramount. Of this number, eight are physicians, thus bringing our medical work under peculiar strain. The Board does not complain of this drain upon the strength of our missionary forces already weakened by other causes. It points out, however, that our missionaries are sharing in the service of our country in the time of its peril and this by voluntary service. Several of our appointees to ordained missionary service have waived their exemptions under the military service law and have thus voluntarily made themselves liable to such service. This is a noble record and one in which the Board and the Church may well take pride. If and when these men in the Providence of God are permitted to carry out their life purpose in the mission field, they will be enriched with an experience and with a consciousness of loyalty to the immediate duty that is bound to raise their ideals of missionary service and add great value to that service.

Turning now to the details of our administrative responsibility:

When the Board in October last confronted its annual task of making the appropriations to the Missions, a task which always involves profound concern, but in this first war year particularly so, after prolonged consideration it adopted a policy

of caution and yet of courage. It resolved to limit its appropriations to the work of the Missions, and the maintenance of the status quo, denying all appeals for advance although grievous disappointment was involved in this limitation. It further resolved to meet fully its obligations in the matter of missionary maintenance holding itself liable to increased charges on this account as the economic conditions caused by the war in China, India and Arabia might necessitate additional appropriations for the maintenance allowance of the missionaries. In the course of the year this has occurred adding considerably to the obligations of the Board.

The Board furthermore resolved to meet the extra expenditures occasioned by the war conditions, such as enhanced rates of exchange, of travel, and of freight transportation. While this policy was hardly more than one of simple honesty, it none the less required courage to undertake it in a year of such financial confusion and strain, more especially when the year began with a deficit balance of \$29,500, the largest of many years.

What now is the story of the year?

The Board stood to its obligations. It sent out to the Missions thirteen new missionaries of the sixteen commissioned during the previous year, three having been detained, not by the Board, but by the call of the country to National service. It was aided in this undertaking by the generous cooperation of the Milton Stewart Evangelistic Fund, which met the expense of the outfit and travel to the field.

The Board further recognized its obligation to missionary maintenance on the fields by adding to the allowance of the missionaries in India, China and Arabia because of the altered economic conditions in those countries, revealed not by the appeals of the missionaries, but by conditions laid bare to the inquiries of the Deputation of the Board when visiting the missionaries two years ago and confirmed by later investigations.

On their part, the missionaries abroad report to the Church at home clear evidences of Divine favor resting on their endeavors. In each one of the mission fields there have been developments that have led to present achievements and give

promise of challenging opportunities in the future. These are set forth in the paragraph that follows upon the Mission Fields. Suffice it to record here in this Summary of the story of the year that, while the Missionary Forces and the associated Native Agency have remained about the same, there has been either steadiness or distinct progress in all the items that customarily indicate the year's activities. In two, in particular, is there cause for especial gratification. The number received from these non-Christian environments on confession of faith into the Church of Christ increased in the year by 25%, while the contributions of the indigenous churches, as the outward expression of their new Christian allegiance, have increased about 40%.

We measure our devotion to this phase of our Church's life in good part by the financial outcome of the year at home. In order to meet in part the additional obligations of this year certain to rise out of war's alarms, and as a further committal to our own spiritual purposes in the midst of many and pressing National claims, the Board proposed, and secured the cordial cooperation of the Board of Domestic Missions, in a plan calling for an additional fund for Missions based upon One Day's Income from every member of the Reformed Church. We ventured to anticipate about \$15,000 from this source. Some of the most courageous among us hoped for \$20,000. This plan was entered into heartily by the Church in general and our highest anticipations have been well nigh doubled as the fund reports about \$35,000 received during the year. This was apportioned among the four Boards of Domestic and Foreign Missions, our own separate share being \$12,615.17.

The gifts of the Churches this year through the usual channels for the regular work of the Board are \$184,523 as against \$175,661 last year. The receipts from legacies are \$43,827 as against \$18,281 last year. The gifts for Special Objects are somewhat less than those of last year, \$23,134 against \$27,910. The receipts of the Arabian Mission have been very similar to those of last year, \$35,795 against \$35,725, while the contributions for Special Objects in this Mission have exceeded those of last year by about \$5,000. Apart from legacies and interest

on invested funds the contributions of the Churches for our regular work have arisen to \$270,820, an increase of \$11,497 above last year which recorded the best results then attained in our history. The total receipts from all sources last year were \$302,453. By approval of General Synod we set for ourselves the goal this year of \$325,000 and we have attained it in the receipt of \$325,292, a gain of \$22,839 over last year and the highest in our history by a considerable amount.

There are one or two corollaries in this pleasing story that add to our gratification.

The per capita giving, which is always significant and in which we hold such an honorable place of leadership among the Churches in America, has risen from \$2.31 to \$2.46 for all receipts and from \$1.98 to \$2.04 for the contributions of the Churches alone. Moreover, these gratifying results are accompanied with the satisfactory condition that only about 7% of the Board's income has been expended on home charges, which include the cultivation of missionary interest at home and the administration of work abroad, as against 9% last year.

May we now complete the story by pointing out the practical effect of these unusual receipts upon our obligations?

1. We have removed the staggering deficit of \$29,500 with which we began the year.

2. We have met all our obligations to the maintenance of our regular work in China, India, Japan and Arabia.

3. We have met the extra expense of the increased maintenance allowances of our missionaries on all four fields.

4. We have maintained the ante bellum rate of gold transmission to Amoy for the maintenance both of the work and of the missionaries at an added expenditure of approximately \$7,500.

5. We have met all the cost of exchange in our transmissions to China thus far charged against us although there is a very probable liability of approximately \$11,000 still to be met when the bills for exchange come in on account of borrowings from funds awaiting expenditure on the field when these shall be returned.

In other words, we have met the obligations inherited from 1917 and all the obligations at present resting upon us both regular and special created by war conditions, both for the Board and the Arabian Mission, and our credit is unimpaired.

In addition to this gratifying result to the financial aspects of the year, the two large funds undertaken by the Board during the year have practically been completed.

1. The Amoy Commemoration and Fagg Memorial Fund of \$75,000 has been definitely subscribed to the amount of \$50,000 while the balance is confidently expected from plans now clearly laid down.

2. The Basrah Educational Fund of \$25,000 is likewise definitely subscribed to the amount of \$15,000 and the balance is well assured.

Thus these extra funds amounting in all to \$100,000 have been secured within this year.

THE MISSION FIELDS

By a striking coincidence that can be nothing less than a challenging Providence, each one of our Missions records events and developments in the past year that point to a future bright with promise though it may call for strength and courage to meet it.

JAPAN.

The Mission in Japan is looking forward with eagerness to the developments of its plans of concentration in evangelistic work growing out of its reorganization as one Mission and the transfer of the fields to the north to the German Reformed Mission and the Church of Christ in Japan making possible a more organized, definite and clear prosecution of its work, both educational and evangelistic, in more concentrated fields.

CHINA.

The oldest Mission of our Board at Amoy, China, is confronting the enlarged responsibility for the evangelization of the North River District by means of the Commemoration and

Memorial Fund and points to this important opportunity for enlarging its work.

INDIA.

The evangelistic opportunity in India also is one that has greatly stirred the Arcot Mission. This is, in great part, the result of the Mass Movement in India. The Indian Church Board, upon which the Mission has devolved largely the responsibility for evangelistic work, has divided into the various Circles of this Board responsibility for a definite number of additions to the South India United Church within the present calendar year and there is fair prospect that there will be an addition of 7,500 to this Church as the result of the special evangelistic campaign of this year.

ARABIA.

The opportunities of the work inland, both to the north and the west of our stations along the Persian Gulf, are so striking as to be accounted for only as answers to the prayers of our missionaries for three decades as they have labored in earnestness and expectancy for the opening of the interior. The fruitful valleys of the Tigris and the Euphrates in the region of Mesopotamia to the north of Basrah, the wide territory of the great Sheikh of Riadh to the west of Bahrein would seem now by varying circumstances to be open to the advance of Christian propaganda and the hearts of our missionaries in these stations are deeply stirred at the prospect of the great opportunity long delayed.

THE MISSIONS AT WORK

AMOY.

The Seventy-fifth Anniversary year of the founding of the Amoy Mission has been one of normal growth on the field. Two experiences of the year stand out in the report of the Amoy Station: the one, the disastrous typhoon that swept across Amoy on September the 12th; the other, the visit of the evan-

gelistic party under the leadership of Mr. Buchman. The typhoon took its toll of life among the Chinese and did considerable damage to Mission property, which in some cases it took three months to repair, but it taught valued lessons in renewed dependence and consecration to missionaries and to Chinese as well. One Christian from one of the Amoy churches, in gratitude for his almost miraculous escape, has decided to give his life to the Christian ministry. In answer to his non-Christian parents' objection, he proposed telling them that their son died in the storm and that, therefore, he owed his life to the Lord who had rescued it. The other striking experience of the year mentioned in the report is the visit of the evangelistic party to Amoy. The emphasis was put upon individual work, and, in the churches, in the Girls' School—where at one meeting sixty or more promised to do personal work—in the Women's School and in the Hospital there was a real quickening of the Spirit and more definite effort to win others to Christ resulted.

The Tong-an report calls attention to the political background of the year, which was not without its effect upon the work. The early part of the year was colored by the crusade against the cultivation of the poppy for opium, which seems to have been entirely successful with the result that, in a District formerly famous for the amount of its poppy acreage, no opium was produced last year. During the latter part of the year, because of the national unrest, several of the best members of the Tong-an Church were compelled to leave their families and their business to escape from unfounded and false charges which were made against them. The year, also, has been one of business depression, which has, to some extent, limited the extension work of the church.

Among the churches there were the inevitable lawsuits and discouragements due to the lack of a resident Pastor, but, on the whole, the year was one of normal growth, 141 new members having been added during the year. A new name was added to the roll of churches in the Tong-an District by the organization of the three Chapels in An-khoe County into a separate church. A step forward has also been taken on Kolongsu—

the island opposite Amoy, where Mission and community residences are—by the agreement that Amoy pastors alternate living on the island for a year each, to look after the families connected with Amoy churches that are living there. Fifteen new Chapels have been opened during the year.

The usual effort was made to reach the great mass of non-Christians in the out-stations. At one Chapel two weeks of special effort resulted in meetings averaging 120 in attendance with 300 present at the largest meeting. In several places preaching bands were organized from the membership of the church to visit outlying villages. The Classes of the Tong-an District decided upon a program for the improvement of conditions in the local churches, comprising an effort (1) to rid the church of those imperfections that now mar it, such as quarrels, lax Sunday observance, business in forbidden drugs, disobedience to church rules about buying daughters-in-law, and inter-marriage with heathen; (2) to secure the church's revenue by adopting a plan of regular weekly offerings; (3) to teach every member to read the Bible and not to admit any new member who cannot read unless there is some valid excuse. A feature of the year's work at Chiang-chiu was a Bible Conference with 30 preachers in attendance.

In primary educational work, the report reflects the problem arising from the gradual establishment of Government schools. The case of the Kolongsu Boys' School, where the falling off in attendance was partly due to the organization of a large Government school in the neighborhood, is quite typical of the general situation where the Government schools have been established. In these schools the instruction is free and, in some cases, poor families are paid to send their girls to the school, while tuition is charged in the Mission schools. There is, however, still a large field in primary education because of the general inefficiency of the Government schools and because the worship of Confucius is made a requirement.

On the whole, however, the year in the parochial schools has been a good one. The report of the Kolongsu School emphasizes the need of the introduction of vocational work to meet

the demand that school education be better adapted to the needs of actual life. Chiang-chiu reports over 100 pupils and a new departure in a series of graduation exercises: one session given to singing and recitation by the graduates; one given to the graduation exercises proper; and one day given to manual work exhibit, drill and athletics. This innovation proved so successful that it will probably become a yearly affair hereafter. The Livingston Easter School enrolled over 200 and found great satisfaction in its new dining and dormitory building where 160 to 200 boys were fed each noon. In this school, a dozen boys are working their way through, which is considered to be quite unusual.

In reading the report, one is struck with the prominence given to athletics in the Chinese schools. The Chiang-chiu Boys' School again won the championship race open to twelve primary schools in the city. At the Athletic Meet of the South Fukien Association, in November, Talmage College won several firsts and scored a total of 26 points. The winning school secured 34 while the next lowest had but 6 points.

At the Union Theological Seminary progress was made in giving the students experience in practical Christian work. In addition to teaching in a Sunday School and conducting services, the students go once a week in turn to the Kolongsu Prison, where, by permission of the Municipal Council, they are allowed to preach the Gospel to the prisoners.

Talmage College had a year of marked progress. The year opened with the largest attendance and the largest entering class in the history of the school, and it closed with 101 students, which also establishes a record. During the year, the curriculum was revised, a new Board of Trustees was created, and the policy of offering three courses was adopted. The new Board of Trustees consists of an equal representation of Chinese and Americans and is designed to bring the institution into still closer touch with the church. The Board has had several meetings and has already made some definite contributions. One of the decisions of the Board is to grant regular Middle School diplomas at the close of a four years' course, with the definite

understanding that, henceforth, only Certificates of Work will be issued to those who have failed in any subjects. This new regulation is certain to make for better scholarship.

Perhaps the most important change brought about by the new Board of Trustees, is the institution of three courses of study: an English Course, the regular Middle School Classics Course, and the Normal Course. This will mean additional teachers and added expense, but it will make for greater efficiency and will enable the College to prepare men for the Foochow University with sufficient English to carry on the work of the entering class. The Normal Course is designed to provide a better equipped teaching force for the lower primary school, but the Board of Trustees is aware of the fact that a higher Normal Course must soon be added to provide the gentry and the Government schools with a better grade of teachers that will, at the same time, be Christian.

The Amoy Children's Home completed its thirtieth year with 156 children enrolled. The chief event of the year was the division of the institution into two smaller homes, one under the control of our Mission, and the other under that of the English Presbyterian Church. A house has been purchased adjoining the Girls' and Women's schools and it is hoped that this change will make for the better care of the children.

The Girls' Schools have had a very successful year. The attendance of 64 at the Sio-khe School was the largest in its history. These schools accomplish a very important work in Christianizing the girls themselves and in their indirect influence upon the homes from which they come. The Women's Schools, also, report a year full of blessings. As a result of their work, the women of the neighborhood are taught to read the Bible. In Sio-khe, at the present time, there are nearly 200 such women, who have learned to read the Bible through the work of our School. This work is carried on with little expense to the home Board, the School at Amoy, for example, costing the Woman's Board only \$303 Mexican last year.

The other branches of Women's work have been carried on with commendable energy. At Chiang-chiu, at the time of

the Chinese New Year, many of the women of the church were induced to go with the missionaries and Bible Women in groups of two and threes to the homes of their non-Christian friends and neighbors to witness for Christ.

Medical work at the Hope and Wilhelmina Hospital has been somewhat curtailed, owing to the fact that the hospital was open only about six months of the year. Great pleasure is expressed in the new outfit for the operating and sterilizing rooms and the electric lighting equipment. The Neerbosch Hospital has introduced six nurses into the Hospital to the great benefit of the work. The Town-Lambert treatment for opium addicts has also been introduced with excellent results, attracting the attention of the local official, who visited the Hospital and issued a mandate advising all opium addicts to go there to be cured. This has resulted in gaining the confidence of the people and of the native physicians.

ARCOT.

The report that comes from the Arcot Mission is one of usual interest and significance. It is by no means an easy undertaking to bring into a few paragraphs the review of the work so old, so well established, so multifarious in its many developments as that in the Arcot Mission. All this work set in the background of the Great War in which India is so deeply involved lends a significance to the work of Christian Missions going steadily on in that country.

The report makes grateful mention of the reinforcements that have come to the mission agency during the year. While there have been five withdrawals, some temporary and some permanent, there have been ten additions, six of these new members added during the year to the Mission. This circumstance is one of peculiar significance and encouragement in view of the depletions of recent years, especially among the old and more experienced missionaries owing to the sad circumstance of death. During the year, the Mission was also gladdened by the visit of a deputation of ladies, members of the Woman's Board,—Mrs. DeWitt Knox, and the Misses Van Sanford and Olcott.

While this is the fourth year of the Great War, in which India has been involved almost from the beginning, and whole large numbers of Hindus and Muhammadans from the country have joined the military forces of the Empire and these have been accompanied by not a few missionaries, this contribution on the part of India has been somewhat localized in the north so that the country as a whole has not felt the strain of the war. During the year under review, however, an agitation for Home Rule sprang up very suddenly and was somewhat artificially fostered by those whose motives were very far from being the highest. This agitation received a large part of its support from the immature student class. Its later developments have been somewhat in the line of an interracial development of the country owing to the fear on the part of the non-Brahman castes that the dominance of the Brahman would lead to a condition far less desirable than the more direct control of the British. This development, like the usual movements in India when not properly fostered, has led to a cessation of the agitation. One Hindu in a long article published in a Madras daily paper under Hindu management, closed his statements with the words, "India would be ready for Home Rule only when the people all became Christians." During the year the British Cabinet sent to India for the purpose of studying conditions upon the ground the Secretary of State for India and his visit will doubtless result in proposals looking to a larger participation of the people of India in the Government of their country in the future. It has been wisely said that the greatest test of the power of the British people to build up governments will come in the period immediately following the war when, in India particularly, some large recognition must be given to the loyalty of the people of that country in this time of strain to the Empire.

The important large evangelistic work of the Mission has been carried on through recent years by the Indian Church Board which has now completed its first Sabbatical year. In 1910 the Mission passed over to this Board, composed both of Americans and Indians, the latter being in the majority, all the evangelistic work and the funds for the maintenance of the same.

The careful study of the conditions resulting from this experience of seven years indicate that the Mission made no mistake when it thus called in the advice and cooperation of the Indian brethren.

The report of the year upon the operations of the Indian Church Board is a very satisfactory one. A study of the statistical tables give abundant cause for thankfulness. Never before has the Mission reported a larger growth, nor one that has included so many of the items of the usual statistical tables. There are ten new villages. The gain in the number of new families is 431. On confession of faith 366 have been received, a gain of 143. The communicants now number 3,593, a gain of 170. Never before have so many baptisms been reported, the actual number being 1,133, a gain of 339. The total baptized community has thus grown from 7,431 to 8,094, a gain of 658, while the total Christian community now numbers 15,671, a gain during the year of 1,622. New Sunday schools, eight in number, with an attendance of 569 pupils, are also reported. The gain in contributions amounting to Rs. 1,920 is also very substantial.

These figures show that the Churches are much stronger than in the previous year. These gains are largely credited to the Evangelistic Campaign of which this is the third year, gaining in force and momentum as the years have passed. Grateful mention is made of the following significant comparative results: The gain in the number of Christians for the three years is 3,524 or a yearly average of 1,175. For the three years previous to this period, the total gain was 1,000 or a gain of 334. The total gains of the previous sixteen years are less than the gains for the last three years by 145. These are assuredly encouraging indications of the growth of the Church under the fostering care of an organization so largely Indian.

Along with the growth in the life and activity of the Church there has been a parallel development in the increase of the usefulness of the institutions of the Mission, notably the Arcot Theological Seminary at Vellore, which has this year taken a long step forward. The number of students has reached the maximum in the life of the Institution. These are distributed among several Missions that are uniting in the benefits and, in part, in the

maintenance of this Seminary. Five men and two women students are thus from other Missions. The United Free Church of Scotland, the London Mission, the Danish Lutheran Mission, and the Australian Presbyterian Mission all have representatives among the students. The year has, therefore, been notable for a large increase in the number of students; the admission of a large class of better educated men, and the admission of a large number of students from other Missions.

Voorhees College at Vellore has also had a year of distinct progress. The withdrawal of Mr. F. M. Potter on account of serious illness and after a period of singular effectiveness as principal left an unexpected and unusual responsibility upon a new member of the Mission, the Rev. L. Hekhuis. He has, however, won the respect of his students and the confidence of the Mission in his wise and effective discharge of his responsible duties. The attendance at this institution has now risen to about 1,100 students. The success of this work as recorded by examinations conducted by the University of Madras, has been very gratifying. The appointment to the Vice-Principalship of a former student of the College, who when a lad left his ancestral Brahman fold and became a Christian, Mr. V. P. Adishehiah, M.A., L.T., is a unique event. Mr. Hekhuis bears good testimony to the unity and good will that has marked the year both on the part of the staff and the students.

The Mary Tabor Schell Hospital at Vellore has continued its history of real usefulness and great power and is confronting, under Dr. Ida S. Scudder, a period of still larger usefulness in its association with the proposed Union Mission Medical College for Women in South India which is about to be organized at that station.

The two High Schools at Tindivanam and Madanapalle have been laboring under some disadvantages, the former because of wholly inadequate accommodation. It is very much to be desired that a new building be added to make suitable accommodation for the many students in this well established High School.

Hope High School at Madanapalle has weathered a very severe storm in the opposition of the Theosophical College. The

disaffiliation of this College by the Madras University and the withdrawal of recognition by the Educational Department has brought about a collapse of this opposition and increased greatly the opportunity for usefulness of this institution. Mr. John D. Muyskens of Hope College, as principal of this High School, has shown both strength and judgment in his leadership during this crisis.

The work of the women of this Mission is very abundant and has been carried on through the year through their usual agencies of Bible and Zenana work and their schools both for Christian and for Hindu girls. The Girls' School at Ranipettai has moved steadily forward in its standard and is rapidly developing into a High School. The Hindu Girls' Schools are continuing their ministry of enlightenment and usefulness. The Mission desires that the three schools in Vellore be brought together in a strong single school to form a social and uplifting center for the Hindu women of that large station.

The Mission has entered upon a most careful examination of its evangelistic opportunity and has adopted a policy for the promotion of its evangelistic work involving much consideration and large vision. Five principles have been adopted as a basis for this policy:

- (1) The development of evangelistic work is dependent upon the adequate development of the Mission work as a whole.
- (2) The evangelistic work is at once both the foundation and the end of all other elements in our Mission work.
- (3) Evangelistic work requires a complete and well trained staff of foreign missionaries, especially devoted to this work.
- (4) A statement of policy must be comprehensive enough to allow an ample margin.
- (5) The program must make full allowance for the increasing share which the Indian must have in the work now carried on by the Mission.

In the application of these principles, the Mission has made a study as to its evangelistic staff and finds that an addition to the adequate development of its evangelistic work, in view of

the present opportunity, calls for the addition of not less than nine men and eleven women to the staff of the Mission. Certain financial conditions naturally attach to this plan. As an aim to be entered upon at once, the field has been divided in accordance with the four Circles constituting the territory of the Indian Church Board, these Circles having definitely set before themselves the aim of winning before the close of the year 7,500 souls for the Kingdom of Christ. An appeal is made to the Board for the immediate special appropriation of Rs. 5,000 for the reception and instruction of the villages now being received as a result of this effort into the Christian Community. This is a bold plan, but who shall say that it is not born of the Spirit of God?

JAPAN.

The report calls attention to the changes brought about by the War in Japan. However much or little Japan has taken part in the conflict, she has been able to raise herself from a debtor to a creditor nation. This increase of wealth, however, has not been evenly distributed and has brought problems of great social seriousness. It is pointed out that Japan is not realizing, in any complete way, the moral issues of the War and that the social and moral blessings that may accrue to other nations are not likely to be shared by Japan. The year has brought great improvement in the relations of Japan and America by the Ishii-Lansing Agreement and by the visits to America of various commissions, educational and political.

The report of this year is the first of the united Missions of the North and South Japan and the consummation of this union with the resulting changes is given a large place. The two Missions were united January, 1917, after twenty-eight years of separation, and with this union the whole work of our Church in Japan came under one direction. Along with this union a plan of concentration was worked out, and the Morioka-Aomori Field was transferred to the Japan Mission of the Reformed Church in the United States and the Shinshiu Field to the Home Mission Board of the Japanese church.

The year has been one of steady progress in evangelistic work, 158 baptisms being reported. The largest number of baptisms in the Kurume Station are reported at Shimabara, where the Christians made their last stand in the great persecution over three hundred years ago. The Oita Station had the largest number of baptisms in its history and the church at Morioka, under the faithful leadership of Pastor Ito, is in a flourishing condition. There is, also, encouragement in the fact that the contributions from the Christians in Oita Prefecture passed nine hundred yen. The average increase per year having been one hundred yen for five or six years.

As has been pointed out several times in recent reports, it must be remembered that evangelistic work, so far as it is carried on by the Missions in Japan, is entirely in the field of building up new churches. This accounts for the comparatively small number of members reported, for, as soon as a church becomes strong enough to take care of itself, it is transferred to the independent Church of Christ in Japan. One such church was transferred this year, the church at Sasebo in Kyushu. Before the organization of the church there were thirteen baptisms, which are included in the report of the Mission.

The year was marked by special evangelistic effort in Kyushu by Evangelist Kanamori. Meetings were largely attended, but the actual result in baptisms was disappointing.

The usual difficulties, due to changes of evangelists, are reported. In some places, too, the public schools have shown strong opposition. In Kurume, the Dean of the dormitory of the local girls' school refused to allow the girls to attend Mrs. Van Strien's very successful singing classes in her home, because they sang Christian songs while doing their domestic work and this proved embarrassing to the Dean. He also maintained that singing while doing work about the house might prove detrimental to a girl's hopes of a successful marriage. After some persuasion, however, the girls were allowed to come if they received the permission of their parents, but singing in the dormitory was forbidden. In other places, on the contrary, the schools have proven very friendly. At Yanagawa, Mr. Van Bronkhorst has started a remarkable class among the Middle

School students with an average attendance for two months of over eighty-five. Mr. Van Strien has an English Bible Class among the teachers of the same school. At Ichinoseki, in the northern field, also, "the work has continued to receive the good will of teachers in the schools."

Sunday School work has been carried on with the usual vigor, but, in several places, the active opposition of the Buddhist priests has been encountered, and has resulted in decreased attendance, and in one case, in the discontinuance of the school altogether. The total number of scholars reported in the schools of the Mission was 3,439. This is 606 less than last year, but this decrease is due, in addition to the reason mentioned above, to the adoption of a new rule by the Mission, "according to which the figures for the 'number of Sunday School scholars' are to be based upon the actual average attendance and not upon the enrollment, or on the highest average for any one month, as hitherto."

Our missionaries have made the usual use of English Bible Classes during the year. Several baptisms have resulted from these classes and one splendid young man in one of Miss Winn's classes has about decided to enter the ministry after he finishes Middle School.

In addition to the Sunday Schools, English Bible Classes, Singing Classes and other Woman's Work already mentioned, factory work, women's meetings and visits in the homes are reported. At Kagoshima, over three hundred and fifty calls were made upon women in their homes. Monthly evangelistic meetings were also held at a factory where about seventy girls with their matron met for the singing of hymns and an evangelistic address. At Aomori, Miss Winn visited three hospitals and always found a welcome by the doctors and nurses. Miss Hospers found a splendid opening for work among the students of the Girls' High School, and has met fully sixty of them twice a month.

The use of the printed page continues to be a conspicuous part of the work of the Japan Mission. With regard to his newspaper advertising, Mr. Pieters reports the following:

"The number of applications for literature is considerably smaller than in 1916, being 961 to 1,351 in that year, but it is

larger than in 1915. The book sales show an increase, reaching more than two hundred and fifty yen.

"The reading club has continued its good work, and the amount of fees paid in by members for the privilege of borrowing and reading Christian books was Yen 107, as against Yen 87 the previous year, although the number of books sent out on request was only 779, to 910 in 1916."

This work has developed this year into a system of correspondence instruction in Christian truth. Persons desiring to be baptized, sign a form of application, binding themselves faithfully to take whatever course of instruction is laid down for them. Then they receive a copy of a catechism and the first few weeks of the printed lessons in the Correspondence Course. At the end of each week the student sends in answers to certain examination questions, which are corrected, graded, and returned to him, with further work to be done. The entire course requires honest work for twenty to thirty minutes every day for seventeen weeks.

Thirty-four students were registered in this course during the year. The catechism used is a revision of an older one, with considerable new material, prepared by Mr. Pieters and published by a Tokyo publishing house. Three editions of 1,000 copies each have been printed and 2,450 copies were sold during the year.

Last year Mr. Pieters reported another important new departure in the organization of Branch Societies in remote places, which were furnished with literature of such a character as to enable them to hold regular church services without the presence of a minister. The year began with two such societies and two more were organized during the current year. Altogether the aggregate number of persons attending Sunday services with the aid of the sermons sent out by Mr. Pieters, and who would otherwise have no opportunity of enjoying church privileges, is reported as thirty-five each Sunday. Mr. Pieters feels that this method contains a partial solution of the problem of supplying isolated communities with the regular preaching of the Gospel. Mr. Hoekje has, also, advertised in the newspapers and Mr.

Ryder and Miss Couch have published monthly papers. Mr. Ryder has, also, opened an office in the town with a reading room, which is well patronized.

The educational work of the Mission comprises two boys' schools, Steele Academy at Nagasaki and the Meiji Gakuin at Tokyo, the latter including, also, a College Department and a Theological School, and two girls' schools, the Ferris Seminary at Yokohama and the Sturges Seminary at Shimonoseki.

The report of Ferris Seminary speaks of the Institution's great loss in the death of Mrs. E. S. Booth and of the "tender tributes of love and respect" brought by alumnae, teachers and pupils as "testimonials to the life of faithful and loving service Mrs. Booth had for thirty-six years devoted to Ferris Seminary." The school year opened with 255 pupils, an increase of 23 over the preceding year. The spirit of the students has been admirable throughout the year. Of their own initiative, the older girls in the dormitory hold monthly meetings for consultation as to ways and means of making the dormitory an ideal home for all. In addition to the neighborhood Sunday schools, which reached an average attendance of 240, the girls collected twenty yen at a concert with which rice tickets were bought and distributed to the destitute in the city. The girls, also, made up material furnished by a local newspaper into children's kimonos for distribution at the New Year season, and one evening a week was devoted to war relief work.

Sturges Seminary reports 185 students, 33% of whom are Christians. The street Sunday Schools average 130 each Sunday. The Christian Endeavor Society was able to give one hundred and fifty yen at the dedication services of the new church building in the city. The Christmas service took the form of the White Christmas. The girls brought together their free-will offerings, amounting to about fifty-eight dollars. This sum was divided between the Board of Domestic Missions of the Japanese Church, the work among lepers, the poor of the city, and the orphan asylum.

Steele Academy reports a very successful year. There are three private schools in the city, and keen competition, but all the students that could be accommodated were obtained, and

during the month of April the enrollment reached 386, which was the highest enrollment in the history of the school. The last year marked the completion of the second dormitory at a cost of about Yen 6,000. Another improvement of the year was the tearing down and erection of the exercise shed on another site. This makes room for a tennis court, which has been greatly needed by the boys. The spiritual life of the school is in a healthy condition, 14 boys having united with the church last year. There has also been a growing interest in the Sunday School with an increased attendance, the enrollment having reached 137.

The event of the year in Meiji Gakuin was the celebration of the Fortieth Anniversary with appropriate exercises. "The forenoon was taken up with a ceremony held in the Chapel and which was attended by a goodly number of friends and representatives from the Government, Christian institutions and other Christian bodies. Near the close of the program a special recognition was extended to the eight men who had served the institution fifteen years or more.

"At noon, luncheon was served to the guests, and early in the afternoon began an interesting program of field sports which continued until sunset and which was attended by over 2,000 visitors. In the evening, an Alumni banquet was held at the Shiba Sanentei at which about eighty were present. At this meeting plans were laid which look towards a more effective co-operation between the alumni and the school authorities for the extension of the usefulness of the Meiji Gakuin."

The Middle Department has had the largest attendance in its history, the number reaching 473. The College Department has added an English Normal Course. Two gifts were received during the year: one of \$150 from the father of a student who died during the year and through whose consecration the whole family had become interested in Christianity; the other of \$1,000 from a neighbor of the school in memory of his wife. An enthusiastic teacher has aroused encouraging activity along musical lines, two very creditable performances having been given in the Chapel. During the flood caused by the typhoon and tidal wave in November, College and Seminary students were dismissed

from their classes to help in the relief work, which was acknowledged by a handsome certificate of appreciation from the Governor of Tokyo-fu.

ARABIA.

It not infrequently occurs that the preparation of the Annual Report of a Mission is assigned to one of its members who has recently returned from furlough in America during which period he has had contacts with Christian life and activities in this country which serve as a vivid background for the recording of observations of the work of his Mission when he returns to the field. An instance of this circumstance appears in the Annual Report of the Arabian Mission for 1917. This was prepared by Dr. Paul W. Harrison, who, while recently in America on his furlough, enjoyed multiplied and close contacts with American life in general and the sources of Christian activity in Churches and colleges in particular. The report prepared by him reflects, possibly unconsciously, this recent contact with conditions in America as he comments upon the conditions in his Mission field as he finds them on his return after a brief absence. We cannot do better, therefore, than draw largely from these observations in this review of our Missions for the year which we present to our own Constituency.

Of all our mission fields that in Arabia has come closest to the Great War and has been most affected by it. Basrah, our oldest and largest station, has been the base for the whole Mesopotamian Expedition carried on by the British Forces. It could not be, therefore, otherwise that not only this northern part of our field but that the whole Persian Gulf should also be seriously affected by the presence of large armed forces and the changes affected by their presence in the territory which has been so long familiar to us as a portion of our Arabian Mission. The report calls especial attention to these conditions.

It has been a year of war, a campaign which has lasted three years and has engaged hundreds of thousands of men and is only now being carried to a successful conclusion. There has been a profound change in all Arabia but Mesopotamia, the seat of actual hostilities, has been utterly transformed. The

external transformation is startling enough. One seems to be exploring a new country which is a curious mixture of people from India, England and Arabia. The interior transformation is more marked and, for those who have eyes to see, even more remarkable. Men walk nearly as fast in Basrah now as in New York. There is a restless energy in breaking away from old and time-honored habits, a willingness to accept the new that is quite a revolution in itself. There are other results larger in scope. A spirit of commercialism fills the atmosphere. The grip of Islam on men's hearts is paralyzed in the face of it and the same must be said of Oriental Christianity. There is a thirst for amusement and luxury quite foreign to the spirit of the East which in its intensity could hardly be surpassed in New York itself.

Unfortunately, this shattering impact of the West upon the East is bound to be no temporary thing. Some of the more glaring excesses incidental to the period of transition will doubtless disappear within a few years but, if human judgment can be trusted at all, we must recognize that there has been a fundamental and permanent change in the character of our task. In the Future we will no longer work in a Social Order which is purely Arabic. The work is to be complicated and the difficulties increased by a conflict of Eastern and Western ideas in things religious, political and economic. Mesopotamia doubtless will be the most completely transformed, but unquestionably the whole of Arabia will be very profoundly affected.

Some surprising results are already evident. The Arab is more tolerant than before. This result so contrary to what was anticipated seems to be due to two things. In the first place his interest in the next world is fading, and as it fades his reasons for intolerance disappear. In the second place the war has shown him that after all, Christians and Moslems are much alike. Muhammadan intolerance is due in no small degree to an uncomfortable conviction down in the bottom of his heart that in Christ he faces a better Prophet and in Christianity a better faith than his own. The present war has made him believe that the differences he has seen are only superficial; that fundamentally men are much alike, no matter what their re-

ligion may be. Both what he has heard from Europe and what he has seen at home have gone far to convince him that all religions are equally futile and equally powerless in the face of the passions and selfishness of men.

Another change of great significance is the definite abandonment of all political aspirations. The dreams of Pan-Islamism have died hard but they are dead. The campaign in Mesopotamia with the tremendous forces involved, the heavy guns, the aeroplanes, wireless apparatus, and many other modern appliances of war have shown the Arab that his wildest dreams of military operations are mere child's play. As one Arab said, with a touch of Oriental exaggeration, "We came down from Bagdad to Basrah (500 miles). In the river, steamer touched steamer and on shore tent touched tent for the whole distance." What the Arab desires now is the protection of a European power and most of them prefer England to any other.

A painful result of the war has been the collapse of the Protestant Christians, so largely composed of old Oriental and corrupt Christian communities. These men came from the Christian community of the Mardin District in Turkey and in Basrah quite a little Church of this type has grown up. This Protestant community is the result of missionary work of the American Board. Originally a most corrupt Oriental Church, it has been quite transformed and men from it have carried a very large part of the burden of our evangelistic work in Arabia. The work of Bible distribution especially has been largely in their hands. The external temptations of these days have proved too much for many of them. Many assistants drawn so largely from this class are demanding large increases in their salaries if they are to remain in their present positions. Many have left. The little Protestant Church of Basrah has almost disappeared. After the war there will probably be a partial recovery, but with their old country placed for the first time after long and weary centuries under a just and stable government, it is doubtful if many will want to live and work in Arabia. For the future we are trusting that He whose work it is will supply what is needed and guide the Mission in its use.

However, in spite of wars and rumors of wars, of multi-

plied temptations and increased difficulties, God has seen fit to show his power in Arabia as never before in the Mission's history. The prayers of many years are being answered in the opening of the inland country to the Gospel. This progress centers, as might be expected, around the medical work. Everywhere the ministries of the doctor are softening hard hearts and making friends. Everywhere the volume of medical work is increasing and patients from far away are taking back reports that open new doors. Dr. Hosmon reports from Maskat that, in spite of unsettled conditions in Oman, the women continue to come from that district although in smaller numbers. In both Maskat and Kuwait approximately 1,500 new women have been seen and treated while in each place the total treatments have amounted to about 5,000. Dr. Mylrea in Kuwait has treated 2,789 men and has had a total of 5,693 treatments, an increase over last year of 30%. In Bahrein the numbers were larger still.

For many years it has been the hope and the prayer of those who have the evangelization of Arabia on their hearts that by means of this ministry of healing, the great untouched interior country would be opened and God is beginning to give us the answer. Dr. Harrison was invited by the powerful Sheikh of Riadh to visit him at his inland capital during the past summer. He reports a most interesting and satisfactory time with every prospect for further and more extended trips. Riadh is more than the capital of central Arabia. In a certain sense, it is the capital of the whole Empire of Islam and perhaps the most important city strategically in the entire peninsula. Even on this first trip it was possible to open the clinics with a brief prayer service. It is confidently expected that other similar invitations to visit the interior of Hassa and beyond will follow in the near future.

The tragedy of the medical situation in the Mission lies in the circumstance that the largest Hospital and the one most closely related to the war, the Lansing Memorial Hospital at Basrah, is closed because of the inability of the Mission to place a physician there. Since the withdrawal of Dr. Bennett and Dr. Van Vlack, it has been impossible to strengthen the medical

staff of the Mission for the simple but sufficient reason that physicians within the military age are required for National service. No less than five physicians, who in the ordinary course of events would now be available for service in Arabia, have been prevented from taking up medical work in that field because of conditions of the war. Obviously the present conditions and future prospects in Arabia call for a large increase among the forces. Central Arabia cannot be occupied and held without men and especially medical men. The long, difficult tedious task of establishing the Gospel in that barren desert country can hardly be done by anyone else.

God is opening the country to the Gospel and He is using the Mission to dissipate the fogs of ignorance and to melt the hard stony unbelief that bars the way to the truth. The schools organized by the Mission in all its stations and carried by prayer and sacrifice through years of opposition and hatred are at last coming into their own. The Basrah school enrolled 100 last year. This year it begins with an enrollment of 130. The Girls' School in this station has an enrollment of 50. A visit to those schools is enough to take the pessimism out of anybody. Their reputation has traveled hundreds of miles and is a reinforcement to hard-pressed missionaries to the very limits of the field. Every pupil studies the Bible and gets a view of Christ's teaching and of Christian character which must make his whole outlook different and help to make him a worthy builder of the Social Order that is to be in Arabia. These schools in Basrah have already contributed to the general educational situation. Rev. John Van Ess, the Principal, has published an Arabic Grammar which has already passed through two editions and is entering upon a third, while an Advanced Grammar is also called for. Rev. James Moerdyk has revised a Text Book for Beginners in English. The whole tremendous problem in Mesopotamia is being grappled with and one of the major functions of the Basrah School is the furnishing of teachers for elementary schools throughout the country. Indeed, Mr. Van Ess has been practically put in charge of the development of educational plans for the new British Government now established in southern Mesopotamia.

The same thirst for education is beginning to be felt in other stations. The school in Bahrein starts the new year with two teachers instead of one. The attendance this year numbered thirty and there is every reason to expect a much larger attendance. The schools in Kuwait reached twenty-three in attendance. The Maskat school has had a successful year. Altogether the Mission rejoices that at last a thirst for truth and advancement is beginning to appear. It is weak as yet and has in it much that is unworthy and undesirable, but it means progress and constitutes a great opportunity. A long, weary road is ahead and it will require men and money and hard work and patience to meet the situation. But our missionaries in Arabia are thanking God and taking courage that even there the march for better things has begun.

Above all, the Mission is grateful to God that He is drawing men and women to Himself. There are perhaps three stages in the progress of the Muhammadan heart toward Christ. When men listen to the Gospel with respect and interest instead of insult and reviling, we recognize that the first stage has been passed. When they come to hear the Gospel voluntarily and often with great effort, the second stage has been gained, and when men personally study and seek, they are approaching Christ Himself. In all the stations of the Mission the time of reviling and insult has passed. In Hospitals we hear of sincere and respectful interest. Even a determined and long continued Anti-Christian campaign on the part of the religious leaders in Kuwait was without serious effect on the work. Everywhere in the Mission, the stage of respectful interest has been reached.

Almost everywhere, also, in the field the attendance of Moslems at the Arabic services is increasing. The Kuwait services are one of the brightest spots on the whole Mission horizon. During the whole year, the attendance has been above fifty and often approaching or even exceeding one hundred. Such interest is a new thing in the Mission history and its significance is increased when it is remembered that this attendance remained practically unaffected by a bitter and long continued campaign against the whole Mission and all its activities. While nowhere else have the audiences reached such a figure as in Bahrein and

Kuweit, the interest has been exceedingly good. Only in Basrah has this advance not been in evidence and that is accounted for in good part by the confusion that prevails owing to the preponderant presence of the military forces and to the fact that the chapel is located within the Mission property some distance from the road.

Bible sales during the year have been large in Basrah where the soldiers bought many Scriptures. Over 3,000 were sold. Kuweit reports a sale of nearly 900. Bahrein, because of a crippled force, sold only 493. Especially encouraging reports come the Bible shops in Amara and Nasarieh, out-stations far to the north of Basrah, where there has been a large amount of direct personal work both with the Arabs and in connection with the Y. M. C. A.; also with the British Forces.

The report concludes with these impressive words: Our supreme object is to bring Christ to men and to bring men to Christ. We may have to work and pray for the opening of closed doors and much of our effort may be spent in removing obstacles. A missionary's work in Arabia, as elsewhere, is for the one object of winning men. It is because we see Christ drawing men and women to Himself that hardships become trifles and difficulties privileges. His work in men's hearts has been especially evident among the women of Bahrein and among the men of Kuweit. Among these there are several who are apparently sincere in their faith, though none of them has been baptized as yet. Their very lives are far from safe. They are passing through deep waters. The fires of evil desires in their own hearts and the forces of evil outside conspire to draw them back, but through it all Christ's strength has been equal for them. These and others like them need the prayer of every man and every woman who longs for the coming of the Kingdom in Arabia, for as weak and as ignorant and as imperfect as they are, the honor of Christ's name and the establishment of his Church depend on them.

The year behind us has been one of blessing. May the one before us be one of faith. We never faced such difficulties nor such opportunities. Human reinforcements of prayer and men never seemed so necessary and all human resolutions never

before have been so obviously and so utterly inadequate. "And who is sufficient for these things? Our sufficiency is from God who also has made us sufficient."

THE HOME DEPARTMENT.

The work of this Department is carried on by two Secretaries, the Home Secretary, whose field work is practically confined to the three Eastern Synods, and the District Secretary, who is concerned with the Synod of Chicago. The members of the Board from the latter Synod are organized into a District Committee with whom the District Secretary co-operates in this work. The report for this year, therefore, will be given in two sections, the one for the Eastern, and the other for the Western District.

Home Secretary's Report.

DEPUTATION WORK.

Itineraries were arranged for the Rev. A. L. Warnshuis, D.D., the Rev. H. V. S. Peeke, D.D., and the Rev. John Van Ess. In addition, special requests for missionary speakers have been responded to by the Rev. Fred J. Barney, Mr. F. M. Potter, and the Secretaries. A special church card has been prepared for keeping the office informed of the progress of the missionary interest in each local church, and one feature of this card is the space given to the recording of such missionary visits. It is felt that, in this way, the deputation work of the missionary may be more intelligently and systematically conducted. We again acknowledge the great assistance given by the Classical Agents in the several classes in making arrangements for missionary speakers.

ONE DAY'S INCOME FUND.

At the beginning of the present year, the Boards of Foreign and Domestic Missions faced a real emergency brought on by the War and the resulting increase of the cost of the work at home and abroad. In China alone, for example, a dollar had only 60% of the purchasing power which it had before the War.

This and other abnormal conditions, made an unusual strain upon the financial resources of the Boards. A special commission, therefore, was appointed by the Boards of Home and Foreign Missions to secure the co-operation of the members and adherents of the church in the One Day's Income plan. Suitable literature explaining the plan was prepared, and by letters, by advertisement—for which considerable space was contributed by the Christian Intelligencer—and by addresses, the matter was kept before the people of the church. From October 1st, 1917, to April 30th, 1918, more than thirty-four thousand dollars were contributed. This sum was divided in the proportion of the budget of 1917-1918, adopted by General Synod. Inasmuch as the conditions that made this One Day's Income plan necessary have not changed the Commission has decided to recommend that the plan be continued for another year.

FOREIGN MISSIONS SUNDAY.

The last Sunday of February was again celebrated as Foreign Missions Sunday throughout the denomination. About 15,000 copies of a special Sunday School Program were used, and "The Reformed Church in the East," "Our Work in Four Asiatic Lands," and a special leaflet on "The War and the Missionary Work of the Reformed Church in America," were circulated in large numbers.

MISSIONARY LITERATURE.

In addition to the special literature for Foreign Missions Sunday, a new leaflet, entitled, "Why Japan," has been issued. Material is also being gathered for a booklet of information and suggestion for missionaries on furlough. Other literature on our shelves has been used by the churches and Sunday Schools, but not to a satisfactory extent. We would urge the various organizations in the churches to make frequent requests for literature for general circulation.

SPECIAL NEWS BULLETIN.

This is a brief bulletin of items of special interest, which is mailed to a list of laymen furnished by the pastors of our

churches. The Bulletin has been issued three times during the year, and it is proposed hereafter to give it a regular standing among the publications of the Board, with one issue in the fall, another at mid-winter, and another in the spring. The pastors have been put on the regular mailing list, and about one thousand other names have been added during the year. A card catalogue of these names has also been made.

THE MISSION FIELD.

The usual work of editing the foreign missions material for the Mission Field has been carried on during the year, and special correspondence was addressed to the missionaries soliciting material. With the issue of May, 1918, the Mission Field enters upon a new era, the *Gleaner* and the *Mission Field* having been combined into one publication. With this new magazine, a new cover design has been adopted, and other new features are under consideration. The subscription price has been raised, for clubs, from 25c to 35c, but its circulation is gradually increasing. One could wish that this valuable magazine were in every home in the denomination.

NEGLECTED ARABIA.

This Quarterly, issued by the Trustees of the Arabian Mission for free distribution among those who have indicated their especial interest in Arabia, has always been of unusual interest. Because of the rapid changes going on in Mesopotamia it is even more valuable today. The mailing list has been revised during the past year. If there are any who have failed to receive the publication on this account, but who do not wish it to be discontinued, the office will be glad to get their names and addresses. The circulation of this valuable quarterly could well be much larger than it is.

PARISH LETTERS.

There are at present seventeen parishes on our records. During the year nine different parish letters have been prepared,

and, with the exception of the Arabian parishes, every supporting church and society has been covered at least once during the year. It is to be hoped that those who receive these letters will send their words of appreciation to the missionary who was responsible for the material in the letter. Their value lies in the personal contact that is established between the supporting societies and the missionary and that relationship should be mutual if it is to accomplish the desired end.

CORRESPONDENCE.

In addition to the routine correspondence of the office many letters of acknowledgment have been written, particularly to Sunday Schools and individual givers. The opportunity thus afforded for personal touch has been greatly appreciated.

MISSIONARY EDUCATION.

The Board has continued its co-operation with the Joint-Committee on Missionary Education which is composed of representatives of the four mission boards and the Board of Publication and Bible School Work. The report of the Joint-Committee, made by its Chairman, Mr. W. T. Demarest, is as follows:

"The Committee on Missionary Education has carried forward the plans announced to the boards a year ago, and takes pleasure in now reporting the publication, about January 1st, 1918, of two missionary story books for Primary and Junior grades in the Bible School. These two books, both written by Miss Margaret T. Applegarth under the direction of this Committee, have been received with the warmest commendation, not only in our own churches, but by those interested in Missionary Education in other denominations. The books were published at the expense of this Committee by the Board of Education and Bible School Work, and already about one-half of the first Edition has been sold. It is conceded by leaders of missionary education in most of the denominations that no better method of presenting missionary fundamentals to little children

has ever been presented than is found in these books. The Reformed Church, through them, has taken a place of leadership in this endeavor. Everyone of our churches and Bible Schools should be glad to use this exceptional opportunity of teaching missions to children in the school and in the home.

The Committee regrets that the course of twenty-four Missionary Travelogues, constituting its series of lessons for Intermediate grades in the Bible School is not yet published. Much of the work of preparation has been done, and it is expected that this course will be available for the use of schools by the early fall. Each of these travelogues will be illustrated by an attractive poster in colors, for wall display, and suitable for permanent adornment of the school or class room.

It is expected that the two mission study books for senior and adult grades, one on denominational Home Missions and one on Foreign, will be written during the coming summer and be published not later than January 1st, 1919.

The planning and preparation of this Mission Study material has occupied a great deal of the time of the Committee, whose members all occupy places of responsibility with their several boards. Under the circumstances the work could not have been pushed to completion in the time originally contemplated. The matter is too important for haste, and it is believed that the Church will patiently await the completion of what the Committee sincerely believes will be recognized as a model system of graded missionary instruction."

Western District.

Rev. W. J. Van Kersen, Secretary.

DISTRICT COMMITTEE.

The District Committee consists of the members of the Board residing within the bounds of the Particular Synod of Chicago. During the past seven years it has consisted of six members. This Committee has held regular meetings during the past year at which careful attention was given to its special duties, viz.: the arrangements and supervision of the work of the Home Base within the bounds of the Particular Synod of Chicago. Its council in connection with the work of the District Secretary has been of great value. Matters referred to it by the Executive Committee were handled with great fidelity.

All who are connected with the Western District organization very much regret that the resignation of Dr. A. Vennema as President of Hope College and his return to the pastorate in the East will terminate his special connection with the work of the Western District in which his effective co-operation has been most highly appreciated.

The Board and the District Committee sustained another great loss by the sudden death of the Rev. M. Kolyn, D.D., of Holland, Mich., who passed away very suddenly on the 13th of May. His deep interest in the extension of the Kingdom, his ready, cheerful and loyal co-operation in all things pertaining to the advancement of its interests and his wise counsel made him a most valuable member of the Board and of the District Committee.

MISSION FESTS.

These summer missionary gatherings, held in "God's great out-of-doors," constitute a striking characteristic of the activities of the churches and communities of this District at a time when many of the activities of the churches are suspended during the summer months. These gatherings have been growing in number, interest and attendance, and are a very happy combination of a summer holiday with the consideration of the vital themes of

the extension of the Kingdom. They afford a splendid opportunity for the dissemination from the platform of missionary information and inspiration.

All except three of the 39 German churches of the Classes of Germania and Pleasant Prairie and several of the Dutch churches of other Classes held congregational mission-fests. In localities where groups of our churches are found near enough to one another to make it possible for them to meet at some convenient and centrally located place union mission-fests are held. More than a dozen of them were held during the past year with an attendance aggregating several thousand and offerings of such proportions as to give considerable relief to depleted missionary treasuries during the "lean months" of the year.

ONE DAY'S INCOME PLAN.

This plan, suggested by the Mission Boards of our Church was received with considerable favor by a goodly number of the churches of this District. The campaign was launched in Chicago at a joint-conference of the agents of the Domestic and Foreign Mission Boards led by the Field Secretary of the Board of Domestic Missions and the District Secretary. At this meeting the plan was discussed and the fullest co-operation was pledged. The campaign was conducted along lines that seemed to be best adapted to the churches of this District. The returns show that these efforts were crowned with a large measure of success.

CLASSICAL AGENTS.

The Classical Agents met in special conference in Chicago in connection with the joint-conference mentioned above. The great distances make it impossible to have a full attendance. But those that found it possible to come spent a very profitable forenoon in the discussion of matters of vital importance to building up interest in foreign missions in the churches. The service of several of these men has been of considerable value and their reports to their Classes have added much to the strength of the Board's appeal.

MISSIONARY DEPUTATION WORK.

The District Secretary has received valuable assistance in the presentation of our foreign mission work from missionaries on furlough, residing within the bounds of the Particular Synod of Chicago. The service of these men, always ready to do whatever they can, has been very effective and has contributed much to the increase of interest in the work on the foreign field.

FINANCIAL GOAL ADVANCED.

As evidence of the fact that the churches of this District realize the necessity of adopting a bigger financial program it is interesting to notice that at the recent meeting of the Particular Synod of Chicago a resolution setting the goal for foreign missions at \$100,000 was passed without a dissenting vote.

MISSIONARIES AND THEIR MOVEMENTS.

The number of missionaries in the service of the Board at the end of 1917 is 138. Of these, 36 are ordained and 14 unordained men; 42 married and 46 unmarried.

RETURNED TO THE FIELD.

The following missionaries returned to their fields of labor after furloughs in this country: To *China*, Rev. and Mrs. A. L. Warnshuis, Miss L. Vander Linden, Dr. and Mrs. E. J. Strick; to *India*, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Farrar, Miss A. E. Hancock, Miss D. M. Houghton; to *Japan*, Rev. E. S. Booth, Miss S. M. Couch, Miss H. M. Lansing, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hoffsommer; to *Arabia*, Miss J. A. Scardefield, Miss Fanny Lutton, Rev. G. J. Pennings, Dr. and Mrs. Paul W. Harrison, Rev. and Mrs. G. D. Van Peurseem.

RETURNED HOME ON FURLOUGH.

From *China*, Mr. Herman Renskers; from *India*, the Misses J. and S. TeWinkel, Miss H. W. Drury; from *Japan*, Rev. and Mrs. H. V. S. Peeke, Miss J. A. Pieters, Rev. H. Kuyper; from *Arabia*, Rev. F. J. Barney, Rev. and Mrs. John Van Ess.

NEW MISSIONARIES.

The following new missionaries entered upon service in the course of the year: In *China*, Rev. and Mrs. H. M. Veen-schoten, Mr. I. J. Lubbers (under appointment but detained by a call to National service); in *India*, Rev. and Mrs. H. E. Van Vranken, Rev. and Mrs. John C. Van Wyk, Miss Wilhelmina Noordyk, Mr. C. R. Wierenga; in *Japan*, Rev. and Mrs. H. V. E. Stegeman; in *Arabia*, Rev. and Mrs. H. A. Bilkert, Miss M. C. Van Pelt.

NEW APPOINTMENTS.

The following new appointments have been made: To *China*, Rev. Harvey I. Todd, Rev. and Mrs. Henry Poppen

(appointed last year; will enter upon service this year); to *India*, Rev. James H. Potter and his fiancée, Miss Helen Beardslee, Miss Clara M. Coburn, Miss Maude S. Scudder and Mr. E. Paul McLean; to *Japan*, Miss May B. Demarest (who returns to Japan after several years of residence in America); Miss Anna M. Fleming; to *Arabia*, Mrs. Sharon J. Thoms, (who returns to Arabia after several years of residence in America), Dr. Louis P. Dame and his fiancée, Miss Elizabeth Purdie, and Dr. Walter Norman Leak (a graduate of Cambridge University, who has been in Army Service in Egypt).

It is a gratification to be able to record that many of these missionaries now under appointment have already become attached to some individual Church or group as the representative on the field and supported in this relationship.

OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.

The terms of the following members of the Board expire with this session of the General Synod:

Rev. Henry E. Cobb, D.D.	Mr. A. P. Cobb
Rev. J. Addison Jones, D.D.	Mr. W. E. Foster
Rev. John Engelsman	Mr. J. J. Janeway
Rev. H. J. Veldman	Mr. E. E. Olcott
Rev. A. Vennema, D.D.	

Just as the year closed, the Board learned of its serious loss in the death on May 13, 1918, of the Rev. Matthew Kolyn, D.D., a member of the Board since 1900. A substitution will, therefore, need to be made in the class of 1917-20.

FINANCES.

RECEIPTS, BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The receipts of the Board for its regular work were \$246,396.05, of which \$184,523.20 were from collections, \$43,827.25 from legacies, \$9,593.28 from the One Day's Income Fund, and \$8,452.32 from interest on invested funds. There were, also, received for Special Objects outside of the appropriations \$23,134.79 and a further sum of \$1,000 from the Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States as a first instalment in settlement of property adjustments owing to the transfer of the field of the North Japan Mission to that Board making a total of funds received for the regular work of the Board of \$269,530.84.

Among the largest of these gifts to Special Objects were \$5,729.63 from the Woman's Board, \$4,141.85 for the Amoy Diamond Jubilee Fund \$2,292.31 for Newspaper Evangelization in Japan, \$1,010 for Additional Building for Steele Academy, and \$2,383.92 for the Amoy Hospital Fund.

An addition of \$2,426.27 was made to the Scudder Memorial Fund.

RECEIPTS, ARABIAN MISSION.

From collections there were received \$35,795.37, from legacies, \$394.87, and from interest on invested funds, \$796.85. There were also contributed to Special Objects outside of appropriations the sum of \$5,825.99. The portion which came to this Mission from the One Day's Income Fund was \$3,021.89. The total is, therefore, \$45,834.97, an advance of nearly \$7,000 upon the receipts of the previous year.

TOTALS.

The combined receipts of the Board and of the Arabian Mission were \$325,292.08, being \$22,839.06 more than the total amount received last year. A table presenting summaries of the above figures appears on the following page.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

RECEIPTS.

FOR THE REGULAR WORK OF THE BOARD.

From Collections:

Churches, S. S., Y. P. S.....\$108,277.96

Woman's Board 59,584.97

Individual Gifts 16,660.27

\$184,523.20

Legacies, net \$43,827.25

One Day's Income Fund 9,593.28

Interest on Funds 8,452.32 \$246,396.05

Special Objects outside the appropria-
tions \$23,134.79

Sale of North Japan Buildings.... 1,000.00

Additions to Funds 8,926.27 33,061.06

FOR THE ARABIAN MISSION.

Collections \$35,795.37

Interest on Funds 796.85

\$36,592.22

Special Objects outside appropriations \$5,825.99

One Day's Income Fund 3,021.89

Legacies 394.87 45,834.97

Total Receipts\$325,292.08

Deducting:

Legacies \$44,222.12

Interest on Funds 9,249.17

Sale of North Japan Buildings..... 1,000.00 54,471.29

Total of all contributions—1918.....\$270,820.79

Total of all contributions—1917..... 259,323.52

Gain in contributions, 1918\$11,497.27

Gain in total receipts, 1918 22,839.06

HOME EXPENSES AND PER CAPITA GIFTS.

The Home Expenses, which include the cultivation of missionary interest at home and the administration of the work abroad, as, also, the collection and disbursement of all the moneys received, amount to about 7% of the Board's income which is nearly 2% less than that of the previous year.

The total receipts are \$325,292.08 if divided by 132,172, the membership of our Church at the beginning of the year, indicate that the average per capita contribution is \$2.46. If from the above total we deduct the legacies received from the dead and interest derived from invested funds, it would appear that gifts from the living average \$2.04 per member. These averages are distinctly in advance of those of the previous year which were respectfully \$2.31 and \$1.98.

EXPENDITURES, BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The amount expended by the Board for its regular work on the field was \$204,478.98 distributed as follows: Amoy, \$49,635.20; Arcot, \$78,292.45; Japan, \$76,551.33. The interest paid upon monies borrowed by the Board was \$2,037.88; Home Expenses for promotion, collection and administration were \$21,770.05.

EXPENDITURES, ARABIAN MISSION.

The amount expended for the regular work of this Mission was \$38,294.85 while its share of Home Expenses was \$4,429.91 and the payment on account of interest for borrowed money \$262.25.

A detailed statement of the "Revenue and Expenditures" of the Board and of the Arabian Mission appears on the latter pages of this report.

WOMAN'S BOARD

The receipts of the Woman's Board from all sources were \$98,611.20. Of this amount, \$10,499 was contributed for the Amoy Commemoration and Fagg Memorial Fund and \$1,210.26 were receipts from legacies. There was received from the One Day's Income Fund, also included in this amount, \$5,183.11.

The Woman's Board paid during the past year into the treasury of Synod's Board for work in China, India and Japan \$68,753.88, of which \$7,923.91 were for items outside the appropriations for the regular work. It also made contributions to the Arabian Mission in the sum of \$4,599.84.

The Board deeply appreciates the fellowship and counsel and service which it enjoys with the Woman's Board through whose efforts so large an amount is secured annually for the maintenance of our work abroad.

CONCLUSION.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE BOARD.

The Board makes the following recommendations:

1. That in view of the satisfactory experience of the past we renew the recommendation that the last Sunday in February be designated for the special presentation of the cause of Foreign Missions in our Churches and in their Sunday Schools.

2. That we continue our approval and recommendation of the Every Member Canvass now in successful use in a large number of our Churches as the best method for enlisting the financial assistance of the entire constituency of our Churches in support of the local Church and the denominational agencies.

3. That in view of the continuance of the conditions and the evident attitude of the Church, the One Day's Income Fund for Missions be continued another year.

4. That as a concrete expression of our resolve and our faith in its achievement we as a Board and as a Church definitely and purposefully undertake to move forward our financial goal

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from \$325,000 where it has stood since 1914 to \$350,000 as our fair obligation and attainable objective for the coming year.

5. That in view of the response of the Church during the first year of the war and of the plans being adopted by the leading denominations in America looking to a distinct and adequate development of Christian service in our country and in non-Christian lands, we accept for ourselves our part in a general denominational Forward Movement Program for the next five years involving the Board of Foreign Missions in the following:

a. The increase of the workers so that each Mission shall be brought up to its full previous strength as soon as possible and that within the next five years the actual number of missionaries on the field be increased by 10%, involving an estimated average addition of 12 a year.

b. The greater efficiency of our work and the encouragement of the features in each field calling at this time for special effort.

1. JAPAN. Concentration and evangelization.

2. CHINA. The evangelization of the North River District Extension.

3. INDIA. The support of the Mass Movement looking to the evangelization and education of the people in the villages of our Arcot District.

4. ARABIA. The new Mesopotamia to the north and the open door to the interior to the west.

c. The better equipment of the institutional work and care of our missionaries by the active support of an approved property list.

d. The adequate maintenance and equipment of the Missions.

1. The adoption of the principle of increasing the

appropriations for work during the next five years at least 10% a year on each previous year.

2. The definite, progressive increase of the annual budget each year.

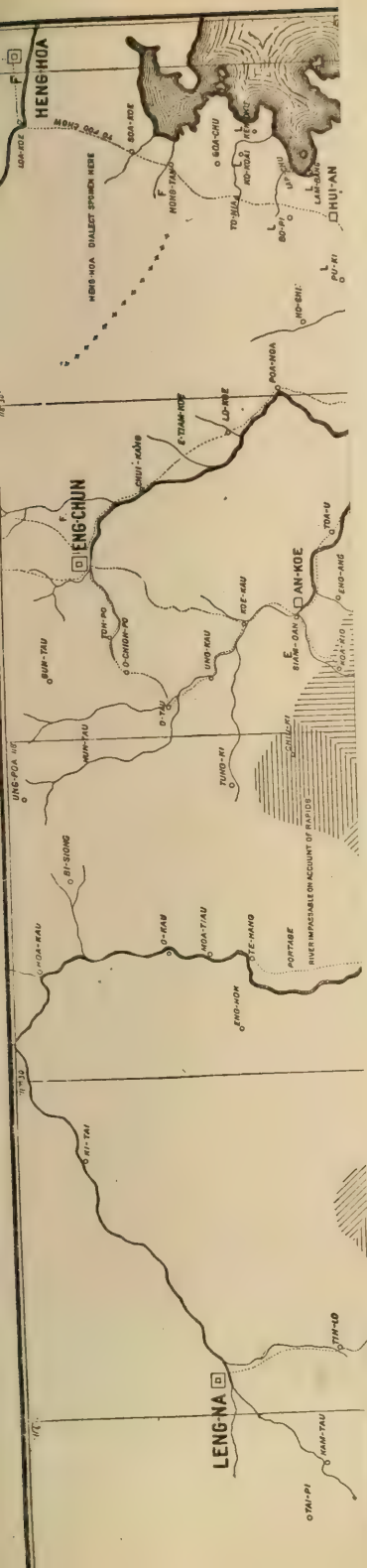
3. The aim to be an annual budget of \$500,000 in 1923.

In behalf of the Board,

WM. I. CHAMBERLAIN, *Foreign Secretary.*

L. J. SHAFER, *Acting Home Secretary.*

Approved by the Board,
May 17, 1918.





MAP of the FORMOSA CHANNEL

- WORK BEING DONE
1895
- EXISTING CHAPELS
1900
- WORK BEING DONE
IN
1905
- STILL UNREACHED
BY THE COAST
IN 1905
- OPENINGS WHICH WE SHOULD
ENTER AT ONCE BUT CANNOT
FOR LACK OF TIDE

SCALE OF MILES

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AMOY MISSION

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THE AMOY MISSION, CHINA.

FOUNDED 1842.

AREA OCCUPIED 6,000 SQUARE MILES. POPULATION 3,000,000.

Missionaries.—*Amoy:* Mrs. L. W. Kipp, Miss K. M. Talmage Miss M. E. Talmage, Miss L. N. Duryee, Miss B. M. Ogsbury, Miss E. C. Boynton, Miss W. Murman, Rev. H. P. Boot, Rev. H. P. DePree, Dr. J. H. Snoke, Dr. E. J. Strick, Mr. F. J. Weersing. *Tong-an:* Miss K. R. Green, Miss E. K. Beekman, Rev. Frank Eckerson, Rev. L. A. Talman. *Chiang-chiu:* Miss M. C. Morrison, Miss Maude Norling, Rev. Steward Day. *Sio-khe:* Miss Nellie Zwemer, Miss Leona Van der Linden, Rev. H. J. Voskuil, Rev. H. M. Veenschoten, Dr. T. Bosch. *Shanghai:* Rev. and Mrs. A. L. Warnshuis.

Associate Missionaries.—Mrs. H. P. Boot, Mrs. H. J. Voskuil, Mrs. H. P. DePree, Mrs. E. J. Strick, Mrs. Steward Day, Mrs. J. H. Snoke, Mrs. T. Bosch, Mrs. F. J. Weersing, Mrs. L. A. Talman, Mrs. H. M. Veenschoten.

In America.—Mr. H. Renskers.

STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE CHURCHES—AMOY MISSION—1917—

Names of Churches.	Church Organizations.	Constituent Chapels.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Died.	Suspended.	Excommunicated.	Removed.	Communicants.	Infants Baptized.	Inquirers.	Baptized Non-Communicants.	Domestic Missions.	Native Contributions Exclusive of Contributions for Schools.
Sin-koe	1	1	22	4	1	3	3	0	0	251	18	60	213	\$80	\$3,008
Tek-chhiu-kha	1	1	11	6	19	3	8	0	0	355	11	50	253	113	1,879
Aw-kang	1	4	3	2	2	3	3	0	0	135	10	16	108	28	729
Khoe-hoa	1	1	9	1	0	2	5	0	0	82	9	45	59	50	6,260
Kam-un-hoe	0	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	49	2	29	17	27	901
Chioh-be	1	2	10	0	5	3	9	0	0	135	3	20	93	29	580
Chiang Chiu	1	3	8	0	2	4	11	1	0	211	12	40	160	54	1,291
Sio Khe	1	2	10	1	2	1	7	1	0	78	4	35	55	15	449
Thian-po	1	2	2	1	0	0	4	0	0	54	8	10	47	18	444
Lam-sin	1	1	8	0	0	2	0	0	0	104	17	30	106	20	364
Poa-a	1	4	15	2	3	5	4	3	0	142	0	63	34	35	862
Ho-san	1	3	7	0	0	4	6	1	0	57	11	50	75	12	587
Soa-sia	1	5	7	0	0	2	3	0	0	56	11	20	47	26	614
Leng-soa	1	3	2	0	0	2	6	0	0	58	3	20	37	35	465
Bi-kong-hoe	0	2	2	0	0	1	1	0	0	19	3	25	19	4	80
Tong-an	1	4	12	5	58	3	14	0	1	170	3	100	117	38	1,058
Hong-san	1	4	10	3	0	4	5	0	0	122	6	60	81	30	1,148
Chheng-khe	1	3	3	58	0	0	2	0	0	61	0	75	44	10	358
Totals	16	48	141	83	92	43	88	6	1	2139	131	748	1565	\$624	\$21,077

REPORT FOR 1917

AMOY DISTRICT.

This is the seventy-fifth year since the Gospel first came to Amoy. One would long to report a year of striking progress, but all that can be said is that there has been gradual growth. Two experiences stand out strikingly as one looks back over the year. The first is the typhoon that visited Amoy, September 12th, and left ruin and death behind it. Those who were on Kolongsu at the time passed a very anxious night, not knowing what the next moment might bring, as houses crashed and crumbled before the storm. But our lives were mercifully spared and in many ways the protection of Providence was realized. It had its valuable lessons, not only for the missionaries, but to some Chinese Christians it also brought new consecration. With the sight of corpses washed ashore, the unavailing search of boat people for missing members of the family or crew, and the wrecked launches and junks in the harbor, there came a sense of the special favor God had shown that one was not among the missing or mourning ones. One Christian, an attendant at one of our Amoy churches, who was on one of the cargo boats in the harbor that night, was washed off by the storm into the raging sea. He caught the boat, clung to it, was again washed off, and again caught hold of a boat. Through various dangers he finally got ashore. He came to the pastor and said, "I am going home to tell my parents I shall do the Lord's work and prepare to be a preacher. They are heathen and object, but I shall tell them that their son died in the storm. My life has been brought back out of death and I owe it to the Lord who rescued me."

The loss to Mission property was heavy and the damaged houses and schools, surrounded by debris, were a sad-looking sight when daylight dawned, after the storm had passed. It was three months before some of the houses were

again repaired, although several contractors began working at once on houses and schools. The Board's kind response to our appeal for a special repair fund has made it possible to restore the damage.

The second experience that stands out in the year's work is the visit of the evangelistic party, headed by Mr. Buchman, that brought inspiration and new ideals of service to all who were privileged to attend their meetings. Outside of the groups in schools, there were eight for men and women with about twenty persons in each group. No group met more than four times, and yet, in spite of the limited number of meetings and limited attendance, their influence has been great. They have brought a more spiritual tone in our work. For a number of workers it has meant the putting aside of sin that was hindering the winning of souls, the keener realization that men are more important than things, the conviction that we need to labor more for the individual and depend less on speaking to crowds, and the witnessing of miracles of grace. So, in regard to the special evangelistic campaign which Mr. Eddy is to conduct here, there is a spirit of hope and expectancy because people in the churches are giving themselves more largely to personal work.

Evangelistic Work

SIN KOE CHURCH.

The work in the Sin Koe Church has suffered because of the poor health of the pastor, which made it necessary at the close of the year for him to lay his pastoral work aside for a short time. He went on a trip to Singapore to rest and to try to raise money for the debt that they have on their school buildings. The work they began at a place on the mainland called Sin-oa has been continued. Afternoons, after the service, a band of from eight to twelve goes out street preaching, and at night they report on the work at the evening prayer meeting, and prayer is offered for this evangelistic effort. Twenty-two new members were added during the year.

TEK CHHIU KHA CHURCH.

The Tek Chhiu Kha Church had as an assistant to the pastor a young man who graduated from Nanking Theological Seminary. During the summer, illness made it necessary to give him three or four months of rest, and so some of the church activities have suffered. During the first half of the year there was a group of workers who went out weekly, two and two, and had a meeting on Sunday mornings to discuss their problems and to report; but after the summer this work was not resumed. After the afternoon service, some of the members go out street preaching. Eleven new members were received during the year, all but one having to be baptized.

KHOE HOA CHURCH.

The Khoe Hoa Church has experienced steady growth, adding nine members during the year. A new school building was completed. At the close of the year the pastor felt that, after serving the church six years, he should resign. Classis felt it best to dissolve the relationship, urging him to stay until a successor was secured. The church has set about calling another pastor at once, and it is hoped that the former pastor may soon receive a call so as to continue in the work.

O KANG CHURCH.

The O Kang Church continues in a rather weak condition, being still without a pastor. At one of the stations, Na-au, it seems as if the harmony between the members, that was broken several years ago, is being restored; yet when some still refuse to contribute to the church finances it is evident that there is still work to be done to unite them more fully. At a second station, Kio-thau, the leaders are old and the church sadly needs younger men; at Kang-thau they have younger men but they need purified lives and more consecration if they are to be of use. The church has decided to call a pastor, and if the right man is chosen there may be more hope for the future.

PHAI-BO AND CHE-CHIU CHURCHES.

The two stations supported and managed by the Sin Koe and Tek Chhiu Kha churches both have had trials. During the first part of the year, thieves broke into the house of the school teacher, adjoining the Phai-bo Church, and not only took away many things but bruised the teacher about the head so that he was in the hospital for some time. At the other station, Che-chiu, a church member who had had a wedding for his son was threatened because he would not comply with the village custom of giving a heathen theatre for the people on the occasion. The official was asked to post a proclamation asserting liberty of religion, and soon the threatenings ceased and the fears of the church were dispelled.

KOLONGSU CHURCH.

A step forward this year has been the securing of a pastor to look after the families connected with Amoy churches that are living on Kolongsu. After months of discussion, a plan agreed to by all the churches was finally reached and the arrangement made to have Amoy pastors alternate in living on Kolongsu for a year each, to take charge of this work. Iu Hoai-tek, the pastor of the E-mng Kang Church (English Presbyterian) was the first to carry out the plan and he has done faithful work.

Educational Work

UNION THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE.

Mr. DePree has represented the Mission on the teaching staff of the Union Theological College on Kolongsu. The foreign members of the faculty during the year have been Rev. A. J. Hutchinson of the London Mission, Rev. H. P. DePree of the American Reformed Mission, and Rev. H. W. Oldham of the English Presbyterian Mission. The Rev. C. K. Tan of the London Mission church on Kolongsu has con-

tinued to give valuable help in teaching and in the oversight of the work.

Two new students have entered the College, one coming from Talmage College and the other being the son of the pastor of the West Street Church in Chinchew. Three students were graduated and at the graduation service we were fortunate in having the Rev. J. Campbell Gibson, D.D., of Swatow, give the address.

During the second term an interesting experiment was made in devoting an hour a week to a 'discussion of matters connected with the war. Progress has been made during the year in giving the students experience in practical Christian work. In addition to teaching in a Sunday School and conducting services, the students go once a week in turn to the Kolongsu prison where by permission of the Municipal Council they are allowed to preach the Gospel to the prisoners. The College Y. M. C. A. has held fortnightly meetings and has had the benefit of a number of addresses from various speakers, both Chinese and foreign. The Sports Committee has organized volley-ball and tennis. Three students were appointed as delegates to the Students' Summer Conference held in Amoy in August.

TALMAGE COLLEGE.

The report for Talmage College is made by the Rev. H. P. Boot. The year 1917 has been a remarkable one in the history of this institution. The revision of the curriculum, the creation of a Board of Trustees, the adoption of three courses of study, special religious meetings held in Amoy, and even the typhoon devastation, each and all have a share in making 1917 a banner year in Talmage Memorial's career.

The year opened with 112 students in attendance, an entrance class of 46 students, both items unheard of in our school's history. The year closed with 101 students in attendance, which also establishes a new record. Yet rigid enforcement of the rules of the institution caused the withdrawal

of seven in the first term and four the second term. One case of stealing caused an upheaval, otherwise the withdrawals were due to an unwillingness to abide by decisions that meant dropping back a year due to failure in obtaining the passing marks. Aside from the usual run of minor ailments, the school has been comparatively free from contagious disease and has enjoyed a healthful condition of students and teachers. Just at the close there were a few cases of smallpox in a mild form, but the work continued uninterruptedly.

In common with the community in general, our institution suffered great damages from the typhoon which struck this region September 12th. With the main building practically unroofed and the roofs of the second building and of the head teacher's residence damaged, compound walls down and interior walls of the memorial building down just a week before the time school was to open its second term, it looked as if we might have to postpone opening day for a month or more and several so counseled. We counted on the goodwill of the Chinese students and teachers to be willing to put up with a great deal of inconvenience at the start and were not put to shame. To add to our discomfort during the year, the big compound wall, put up the previous year at an expense of nearly \$1,000 Mex., was so seriously undermined by previous typhoons as to make it necessary to take two-thirds of it down in addition to what had already fallen. With a broader foundation and rebuilt in a different way, though at an added cost of \$400, we trust it is now up to stay. The typhoon damage to college buildings necessitated an additional expense of almost \$1,000 Mex., and six weeks of discomfort. It was a blessing that the institution was not in session when the typhoon occurred, or we might have to chronicle the loss of many lives.

The creation of a Board of Trustees with equal representation of Chinese and Americans, will, we trust, prove a step in the right direction and bring the institution still closer to the church at large. With the election of the Board and certain of its powers subject to the Mission, no fears as to the

character of the institution need arise. The men chosen to represent the Chinese on this Board are: the Chinese Head Master of the College, Mr. Law; Dr. Tan Thian-un, a leading physician, philanthropist, and elder of the Second Church, Amoy; and the Rev. Tan Chiu-kheng, pastor of the local London Mission Church. While our institution is no longer a union school, the London Mission has no school of that grade and at present they have 22 students in our institution. It is, therefore, quite fitting they should be represented on the Board of Trustees, the more so as this leaves the door ajar for a possible union with them later in an institution the character of which they have helped shape through the pastor's helpful suggestions. The Board has had several meetings and has made some definite contributions to the future welfare of the school. Coming from a joint Board, these will, we believe, have a salutary effect upon all concerned.

One of the decisions of the Talmage Board is to grant regular Middle School diplomas at the close of a four years' course with the definite understanding that henceforth only certificates of work done will be issued to all such as have failed in any subjects. Judging from the number of students who have asked for permission to make up back work by re-examination, even at the price of \$1.00 per subject, the Board's decision to publicly announce at commencement night who receive a diploma and who receive a certificate of work done, is bound to make for better scholarship and more real diplomas. The awakening of China demands such action. Only well-equipped workman should be placed on the market henceforth. The day is fortunately soon at hand, and we are already using this fact as a lever, when the Church and the public can have a choice of the best men for work.

Another decision which the Board of Trustees adopted and has carried into effect is the institution of three courses of study. This will mean additional teaching force, and hence added expense; but it will make for proficiency and enable our school to prepare men for the Foochow University with sufficient English to carry on the work of their entering class.

The courses adopted are: an English Course, the regular Middle School Classics Course, and the Normal Course. That there is need of men with Normal Course training can be seen from the fact that even the gentry as well as the government emphasize this to such an extent as to run rival schools and bring every inducement to bear upon students. One such Normal school with a capacity for 300 students is just now being added in this vicinity, and tuition, board, and books are offered free—even room, light, and bedding. We are not afraid of competition. We welcome it, and hope we may simply be urged on thereby to do even better. While our present Normal course is intended to provide us with a better equipped teaching force, for the lower primary schools only, the Board of Trustees is alive to the fact that we must very soon add a higher normal course, open to Middle School graduates only. Our aim should be not only to provide an adequate teaching force for all church schools in our region, but to provide the gentry and government schools with a better grade of teachers, who are Christians. In the present Normal course no English is taught; in the Middle School, or Classics course, English is taught as a subject one hour per day; in the English course sixteen hours per week are given to English and some subjects are taught in English. The entering class of 46 students had 12 each in the English and Normal courses the last term. A poster had been published and scattered far and wide, informing the public of Talmage Memorial courses, and we look for an increase of students next term.

At the Annual Athletic Meet of the South Fukien Association, in November, Talmage College won several firsts and scored a total of 26 points, while Tung Wen Institute, the victor, secured 34; and the Y. M. C. A. and Seventh Day schools each had 6 points to their credit.

Financially, the year 1917 is also a banner year. The budget, calling for an expenditure of over \$10,000 Mex., is the largest in our history. In fees alone we had \$4,205, while from the Board we had \$4,390, plus the typhoon damages.

However, we would call attention to the fact that the adoption of three courses instead of one course of study will, for the next three years to come, mean additional teaching staff, class room, and equipment.

In things spiritual, which is the test of a Mission institution, we are able to report glad news. The Y. M. C. A. has been strengthened in numbers and in work done. During the first term three voluntary Bible Study classes met on Sunday mornings, under the leadership of one native teacher and five students, who in turn met with the Principal on Friday evenings as a Normal Bible class; over fifty students entered these Bible classes and studied the Acts of the Apostles. Last term the Principal himself had the voluntary Bible class of twenty men. Fourteen men asked for admission to church membership. Two groups of our students attended Buchman meetings, at the close of which we had a special meeting of all the students, inviting to remain for an after meeting any who had received benefit, who wished to confess to sins in their lives, and who desired to do personal work. Forty-four young men attended this special meeting; twenty-four confessed to various sins in their lives, and twenty-eight determined to do some personal work among fellow students. A better spirit reigns now. Harmony between students and teachers is manifest in class room and on the field. The Preaching Band still goes on its mission every Sabbath, while several young men assist in local church Sunday school work, and two of the graduates have determined to enter the Seminary. Of the nineteen graduates, seven expect to continue studies in Talmage.

CHURCH PRIMARY SCHOOLS.

At the beginning of the year the Amoy churches discontinued their higher primary work and sent their pupils to the Union School at the Y. M. C. A. in which they united. The school started under several disadvantages, and all the work has not fulfilled the hopes of those who participated, but a good start has been made on a union effort which is

greatly needed. The great inequality in grade of the students from the various schools that are brought into this higher primary will decrease, and the standard of teaching in the school improve.

The churches have continued their lower primary work as before. So also have the churches on Amoy Island. Altogether, there are 424 students in primary schools and 26 in higher primary.

GIRLS' SCHOOL.

Miss Duryee reports for the Girls' School. Again we record our gratitude to God for His goodness to us as a school during the past year. Two hundred and eighty-seven pupils were enrolled the first term, 104 boarding and 183 day pupils; and 91 boarding and 135 day pupils the second term. There has been no serious illness in the school, but one of the day pupils died at her home.

Our school year ends in the summer and a class of 24 was graduated, all but two of whom were professing Christians: one, a day pupil from a well-to-do non-Christian family, and one the daughter of a Christian widow. One of the graduates, a daughter of Rev. Iap, the first Chinese pastor in the Amoy District, is now in the United States studying at Northfield Seminary. Another is continuing her studies in Foochow. Two girls sent to us through one of the ladies of the London Missionary Society have taught in L. M. S. schools. Twelve have this autumn taught in schools connected with our own Mission, both boarding and day schools. One taught in a village day school which is supported by a wealthy Amoy Christian.

For various reasons five of our teachers left us in the summer. One went to Nanking to continue her studies, the other four taught elsewhere. Their places were taken by our summer graduates.

Miss Paxson's and Mr. Buchanan's meetings in the autumn greatly stirred both teachers and pupils to the importance of every Christian becoming a winner of souls. The

meetings held by these workers were limited to groups, so only a few were able to attend. One of our teachers, a girl who graduated two years ago and who had never before given very clear evidence of being a Christian, at a meeting of the whole school, held to hear reports of Miss Paxson's meetings from those who were able to attend, quite openly declared herself a Christian. She comes from a family greatly opposed to Christianity. Before the close of the term, one pupil, about fifteen years old, told us that she and her three sisters held "family prayers" every day, although no one else would attend. They belong to a rich non-Christian family with business in Java. She also said her mother scolded because she would not worship the idols and she said, "I told her I would obey her in other things but not in this." One of the missionaries asked all those who had lately become Christians to meet with her, and about fifty responded to the invitation, while at another meeting sixty or more promised to do personal work.

Just at the beginning of 1918 God called to Himself an old teacher of the school, Mrs. Sia, at the age of seventy-nine. A fuller record of her life will be given elsewhere, but we would record here, as well, our appreciation of the many years of faithful service she gave to the school. Since leaving the school she had been living in her own home on Kolongsu. The funeral was attended by very many old pupils, every one of whom could, we believe, bear record that she had never heard Mrs. Sia tell an untruth nor know her to take a "squeeze" out of any Mission money that passed through her hands. For such as her we thank God and take courage.

WOMEN'S SCHOOL.

Miss K. M. Talmage reports for the Charlotte Duryee Bible School for Women. The year has been full of blessings. God by His Spirit has been in our midst and we have seen changed lives in many of our pupils.

During the year we have had more than seventy pupils; some for the year, some for a term, and some who, for family reasons, were with us only a few weeks. Other pupils have

been members of the school for two or three years. Many come from heathen families, brought by some Christian relative or friend. We receive these heathen women, knowing that the "Gospel is the power of God unto salvation" and we have proved it to be so, for many who came to us as heathen have left us professing their faith in Christ. One who was with us this autumn made great progress in reading, and later took part in our prayer meetings, praying for her husband. He was opposed to Christianity and asked what medicine was given her that she became so changed!

The visit to Amoy of the Buchman party had a wide influence, though only the teacher and one of the women were able to attend any of the meetings. Reports of the meetings were given at the school and several of the women resolved to do personal work. They found the opportunity for doing it among their companions. Thirteen of the women took other thirteen women to work and pray for. The work has been much blessed to the workers as well as to those for whom they worked. Often going about the school I found some room locked, and was informed that women were meeting for prayer together. So groups here and there met to plead with God for themselves and others.

This school has cost the Woman's Board \$303 Mexican, and when we consider the seventy women and girls who have been taught the way of life through Christ, we feel that the money has been well spent.

CHILDREN'S HOME.

As the Children's Home was opened in 1887, this year completes its thirtieth birthday. One hundred and fifty-six children have been enrolled during these years. This year one new child was received. She is seven years old, the daughter of a coolie who was unable to care for his child after his wife died and was about to sell her.

Two of the girls, nineteen and twenty years of age, completed their course of study in the "Developing Character" Girls' School and received their diplomas last June. After

Commencement exercises, each one sent in a letter of thanks and appreciation to the effect that the Lord had so greatly loved them as to open the hearts of the missionary ladies to love them too, not only in providing a "Home" for their care and comfort, but also in opening the way for an education so that year by year they had been permitted to study in school until they were that day enabled to graduate. For these two great blessings they could never express their gratitude, and with very happy hearts they could only say "a great big 'thank you,'" and hope by useful lives to show their gratitude to God and to the missionaries. Both of these girls have been teaching this fall term.

During the year two of the girls were married; one to a Christian business man in Amoy. The other was received into the Home in 1898, when only a few months old, her mother and brothers having died of plague. She was married to a preacher in the country, and has written since, telling how happy she is in her new home and of the kindness she has received from her new relatives.

The chief event of the year was the dividing of the Home (which has been connected with both Missions, the English Presbyterian and ours) into two smaller Homes. There has been a growing feeling for several years that the children could be better taken care of if the Home was divided and our half nearer to our house and school. This year this was accomplished through the offering for sale by its owner of a house adjoining our girls' and women's schools. The fear of its being sold to disagreeable neighbors, as well as the desire of dividing the Home, led to its purchase. According to the agreement, the owner was allowed to stay in the house temporarily and in the meantime the children, fourteen in all, are being housed in one of our school dormitories where they are happy and contented.

BOYS' PRIMARY SCHOOL.

The Kolongsu Boys' Primary School is still getting along in poor and inadequate, but expensive, rented quarters. An

effort was made during the year to obtain another much better house, but we were not successful. Our efforts to move, however, had the good effect of prevailing upon our landlord to reduce the rent. Our attendance has fallen off somewhat, partly because a new mandarin organized a large government school close to ours and partly because we were obliged to raise the fees in order to avoid a deficit. Our enrollment the first semester was 150, the second 135. Fifteen were graduated from the higher primary, 28 from the lower. Eight of the higher primary graduates will enter Talmage College.

Next to new quarters our greatest need is the introduction of vocational work. We cannot neglect this much longer if we are going to keep ahead of the better government schools and occupy the place that we should in the new reconstructed China. There is a demand that school education be better adapted to the needs of actual life. Many ways have been suggested by which we may accomplish this in Amoy, but unfortunately they all involve at least a money guarantee to cover possible losses, and some would require an immediate, considerable outlay.

Medical Work

HOPE AND WILHELMINA HOSPITALS.

At the outset we should point out that this is not an annual report but a report of six months only. The hospitals were opened May 1st, closed again July 15th for the summer months and reopened September 15th.

Perhaps the first thing which strikes one when looking over the statistics and report in general is the few people treated, for such large and well-equipped institutions. There are several factors which have brought this about: first, the hospitals were open only six months; second, for the most of this time they were not fully opened on account of the limited staff, only the first floor being open to patients until

October 15th, unless they were either first or second class; third, the hospitals had been closed for nearly two years; fourth, the fees have been raised.

We are greatly pleased with our new outfit for the operating and sterilizing rooms. The equipment gives eminent satisfaction. The equipment of the hospitals consists of: hot and cold running water, a flushing system, and a thirty horsepower steam boiler which furnishes steam for cooking, running pump and washing machine, for sterilizing, and for heating operating room. We have a Scanlan-Morris "White Line" sterilizing system. We have also recently installed an entirely new operating room set also with "White Line" goods, and the hospitals are lighted by electricity.

After having been closed for about two years, Wilhelmina Hospital, which is largely under the direction of Miss Murman, was opened on the first of May without any special ceremony. From that time until now there have not been as many patients as we expected would come. Perhaps one of the reasons for this is that each patient is subjected to a bath at the time of entrance! Many Chinese women consider this anything but pleasant. The lower floor of the hospital, which is intended for general and charity cases, has been generally filled. On the second floor, which is set aside for private patients, we have not had as many as we could have wished. To all these persons, without exception, the Gospel has been preached by our Biblewoman, Kung-ka, who has been active in this capacity for the last six years.

Seven children were born in the hospital—more than is usual. The Chinese women, especially the younger generation, seem to desire more and more to secure competent nursing.

EVANGELISTIC WORK.

This is under the direction of Mrs. Snoke. Throughout the year the work of evangelism has been carried steadily on. The blind preacher, Poe hia, who has worked so long and faithfully in Hope Hospital, and Pastor Lim Po-tek, who is

several months of his work to the region centering at Po-be and has preached in many villages never before visited. He and his wife have taught about twenty people to read the Romanized colloquial. He has been especially successful in getting good audiences for meetings held each evening in different houses. The other colporteur has improved both in his faithfulness and effectiveness. He works mostly in the market towns of An-khoe County. The work of a traveling medicine merchant has been very encouraging and shows what could be done in using such men if there were a fund to provide them with books. This man is a Christian who covers a big region in his travels. He takes advantage of daily opportunities to preach the Gospel and has found nothing better for his use than Christian books. They may form the excuse for opening a religious conversation and they always continue the impressions if left with the man approached. The revival at O-chi is due largely to his efforts.

Educational Work

An attempt to maintain closer relations between all the schools of the District has resulted in our winning the consent of all our schools to carry no pupils beyond the fourth year, but to send those who can study further to the Livingstone Easter School. The principal of that school has done valuable work in assisting the missionaries in supervising the out-station day schools, especially in insisting on uniformity of curriculum and arranging the daily schedules.

CHHOA-CHHU-CHE.

The Chhoa-chhu-che boys' school was taught by a young man who wanted another trial after he had been unsatisfactory as a student in Talmage College. He proved incompetent and was dismissed at the close of the first term. This is our only out-station that has a girls' school. The preacher's wife again saved the school by taking charge of it, for which she received no pay. In the second term we were able to send

throw from the place first rented as a Gospel Hall in Tong-an fifty years ago. It is hoped that this chapel may rapidly become self-supporting. A reading room has been a valuable feature in this work.

CHHENG-KHE CHURCH.

This year a new name is added to the roll of churches. The organization of the three chapels in An-khoe County into a separate church has been completed and named the Chheng-khe Church. The Preachers' Fund appointed four preachers to this church for the year and they have been travelling about investigating the claims of several villages for the distinction of opening the first additional chapel. The official act of separation was performed in the spring at the Siang-chun-thau chapel when the Tong-an Church dismissed 55 members to form Chheng-khe. The first business meeting of the new organization was held in September at Chhoa-chhu-che. It was made a three days' convention and Pastor Lim Bun-khiok gave a splendid series of addresses on "The Church."

At the Poa-nia chapel the year began with a rowdy attack by members of an idol's procession from Au-keh. The building was damaged, furniture broken and the teacher beaten. A lawsuit developed and when things looked worst for us the Lord sent a heathen man who had a reputation as an enemy of the church to compel Au-keh to make peace with us. About ten miles from Poa-nia is the village of Ng-peh. A Ng-peh man now in business in Formosa was converted there and on his return home this year did such fine personal work that men from three families have become regular attendants on the Sunday services.

COLPORTEURS.

The value of our colporteurs has been emphasized by their accomplishments. Largely as a result of their work one more village is ready to open a chapel. One, Brother Pa, has given

Eng-te-thau is the pastoral residence and has the main strength of the church. If the proposed transfer of London Mission stations to our Mission is made, Hong-san will double its territory.

TONG-AN CHURCH.

The Tong-an Church reports many encouraging things, none more so than the improvement in its pastor which began about the middle of December. The main event in Siang-chun-thau, the church at which he resides, was the meeting of Classis there in December. There was a fine spiritual tone to the meeting and its main emphasis was on things vitally connected with the highest interests of the church. They decided to make the effort to (1) rid the church of those imperfections that now mar it,—such as quarrels, lax Sunday observance, business in forbidden drugs, disobedience to church rules about buying daughters-in-law and inter-marriage with heathen; (2) secure the church's revenue by adopting a plan of regular weekly offerings; (3) teach every member to read the Bible and not to admit any new member who cannot read unless there is some valid excuse.

Chioh-jim has had a most encouraging growth in the number of men in its congregations. A wealthy business man of that village but lately residing in Amoy became converted and offered money to build a new church. That was a great encouragement for now we have to pay a high rent for a poorly situated building and it gave the church a startling recommendation to the village. While we were selecting the site the wealthy friend died suddenly and his family decline to carry out his wishes for the church.

The brightest, busiest spot in the whole Tong-an church is at Au-ho-a. On February 24th, the 75th anniversary of the arrival of Dr. Abeel in Amoy, the Tong-an Consistory and the two American pastors were invited to dine together and celebrate the occasion by planning some church advance. It was decided to open a chapel at Au-ho-a, just outside the West Gate of Tong-an City, in the business center, a stone's

stretch he was out of his own pulpit seven Sundays. For several months this church carried on a regular week-day preaching service for a large group of villages within their territory and secured a regular attendance of about ten at their nearest chapels. Of that ten only one or two still come (the court matters stopped the week-day services), but they have arranged to have one of our Christian teachers in charge of their school next year.

About fifteen years ago this church had a chapel at Chin-be and now they are planning to reopen it. The urgency of the opportunity lies in the establishment there of four schools, all under one management, built and supported by a man of that village, who has become wealthy in business abroad. They have a boys' primary, a girls' primary, and a boys' middle school, already enrolling over 200 pupils, and in 1918 they will open a normal school. They plan to accommodate a thousand pupils in all. Some departments are free and in others the charges are low; poor families are paid a dollar a month for sending their girls to school. The influence of and addition of so many educated men and women to the community as the faculties of these schools include, is assurance of intellectual enlightenment and constitutes a great call to the church to carry in the real Light. The necessity of reducing our expenses for evangelistic work in 1918 seems unbearable here.

The Ang-tng-thau chapel is one of the oldest in the Mission, but is in a dilapidated village. It requires special grace to dwell and work in such a stagnant spot, yet the old couple who gave up business a few years ago to go there have done splendidly. The church only raises about a hundred dollars a year and this year they had a heavy repair bill. Also one family that contributes \$20 moved away and the \$20 contributed by a member living in Amoy was lost in transit. Yet when they heard of the flood disasters in North China they said they must do something to help their own countrymen in distress, and out of their own poverty and need they collected and forwarded \$12.

flagrantly purchaseable magistrate that it has known in a generation.

BUSINESS DEPRESSION.

Through the whole year the effect of the World War has made itself more and more bitterly felt. A very large part of local commerce has come to be in foreign goods. It has been a year of poor crops in some sections, but An-khoe had one of its best rice crops within memory. Throughout the District it has been one of the worst years for business that the merchants have ever suffered. Business depression has had two immediate effects in our work. It has put families into sorrow and trouble, showing them the uncertainties of this world, giving us an opportunity to present the gospel of a Savior's help and comfort. In limiting the extension work of the church it has produced an unfortunate reaction on those who have worked and prayed for opportunities and openings and when they appear find the church unable to go ahead and take advantage of such results. Our preachers feel the rising cost of living as much as we do. It seems that there is not an evangelistic worker in our District who is living within his salary, and probably only three are not running into debt.

September's great storm left a wake of havoc through the Tong-an District also. It destroyed about four-fifths of the crop of "dragon's eye," and one-half of the sugar cane. Few houses escaped damage and many were ruined.

Evangelistic Work

HONG-SAN CHURCH.

A renegade member who lately joined the Roman Catholics made much trouble for Hong-san by instituting two lawsuits on unfounded charges against a member and members of the consistory. These legal matters demanded so much of the pastor's time at the county seat that in one

prevented. That night the official invited them to come to Peng-ho, offering to furnish a hall for preaching, a place to see patients, sleeping-place for assistants and servants, and besides is willing to pay all their traveling expenses. They are seriously considering accepting the invitation.

We wish to make special mention of the course in Christian Ethics that Mrs. Voskuil is teaching the nurses and the instruction she is giving the hospital servants. Looking backward at the year 1917, we can be thankful for the progress; looking sideward, we receive the gratitude of scores of Chinese friends; but we must look upward also to Him "Who healeth all our diseases." Then if we look forward to 1918 we feel that we must progress, that we must go onward and forward with Him, for Him.

TONG-AN DISTRICT.

POLITICAL.

Politics affect missions more quickly than missions affect politics. Politics affect the people for whom missions exist so intimately that it becomes a factor not negligible. In the Tong-an District the political background for the work of the first term was filled with the crusade against the cultivation of the poppy for opium. The government seems to have been successful and the District, formerly famous for the amount of its poppy acreage, produced no opium this season. It required soldiers and heavy punishment but the feat was accomplished. In the second term we felt the national unrest and several of our best members and friends had to flee to places under British jurisdiction because they were charged with aiding and abetting the "Southern Rebels." Though the charges were unfounded and false in every case, yet there was no chance for a just trial and the men had to forsake business, families, and church, and hide. This has seriously affected the church finances in some places. Tong-an County also has had six months of the most shamelessly avaricious and

We were glad to welcome Miss Boynton last March, but at the July Mission meeting it was decided that she was more needed in Amoy. In her place Miss Vander Linden was appointed. She arrived just before Thanksgiving and has since done more than her share of all the work in the district.

Medical Work

NEERBOSCH HOSPITAL.

Looking back over the many busy days and nights we feel that this hospital is gaining in the confidence of the people and also of the native physicians. Moreover, amid all the natives, the hospital tries to uphold the standard of the Cross, having led several to Christ. Although the hospital is placed in a village of only a few thousand inhabitants, in 1916 we had an attendance of 2,808, and this year of 3,895, including the many patients seen in their homes. The hospital preacher is the busiest man of all. Before the early chapel service he talks with the patients and at seven o'clock at night he is often at the bedsides speaking words of comfort and help. Converts of this man tell how much they owe to his patience, endurance and prayer.

One of the outstanding features this year was the introduction of nurses in our hospital. It was a new experiment and so far has proved satisfactory. At present we have six girls, all eager to serve their people and eager to learn new methods of caring for the sick. These girls are Christians and exert a profound influence upon the patients.

Dr. Bosch introduced the Town-Lambert treatment for opium addicts and has had excellent results. It drew the attention of the local official, who visited the hospital and issued a mandate advising all opium addicts to go to the hospital to be cured. The official himself is very friendly toward Mission hospitals, since once he was found wounded, and cared for by a foreign physician. He invited the missionaries to his home; it so happened that the official of Peng-ho, the capital city, was also present. Twenty years ago the Mission wanted to introduce the Gospel there, but were violently

and made real study of the first part of Genesis and of Matthew. Before the class closed Mrs. Sites from Foochow came and was a great inspiration to us all.

Educational Work

Boys' School.

The boys' school has had a good year, with a record enrollment—72 for the first term and 62 for the second. The teaching staff was changed during the year as one of the old teachers was compromising us and the school so badly he had to be removed. In the higher primary we had no graduating class, as the only candidate dropped out of school in the middle of the fall term. The boarding department has been running better this year than at any time before, due to the fact that one of the teachers was willing to take over responsibility for it.

Girls' School.

During the spring term we had the largest enrollment we have ever had—64 girls. Our school building needed an entire new roof and other extensive repairs and changes; and we extend our heartiest thanks to the Woman's Board of so promptly sending us the money. The work was begun in October and for the fall term we received only 36 girls, since we could use only half of the building at a time. Next term our school will have an additional dormitory, a far better assembly room, kitchen and dining-room, and will be in every way better equipped and more attractive.

Women's School.

This school, too, had the largest enrollment in its history—19 the first term and 8 the second. Every one of the women made good progress and many of them have, we trust, through faith in Christ, entered His Kingdom. The Chinese teachers in both schools have had the most difficult part of the work and we feel the success of the work is largely due to their love and tact and faithfulness.

the last preacher have been well followed up by the pastor who has been there now for a year and a half. He shows an increase in the membership this year. Not only have regular expenses been properly met but the church has entertained the classis. Mr. Voskuil was church examiner this year and the church gave as good a report of itself as any he has examined in China. The progress is not large but it is of the substantial kind which counts in church life and which does not easily suffer reaction. In the two out-stations they have had only one preacher, partly because the one is small and not far distant from the other. For preacher they had a very able though uneducated elder of the home church, who is very diligent and especially capable in getting on with the people. He has been a help to the pastor as well as a good preacher for the out-station. He said he had been preacher, elder and deacon to the two chapels. A school was maintained by the local church which was attended by several of the boys from one of the chapels. The teacher is a cousin of the pastor, who is now asking for admission to the Bible School so as to become a preacher too.

WOMEN'S WORK.

We are thankful to report that as a result of the schools for women and girls started by Mrs. Kip and Mrs. Van Dyck, there are nearly 200 women in the district able to read the Bible. But few of them know how to study it and to find its hidden treasures, therefore in February we had a class for Bible study, on the Korean plan, hoping to keep it up every year. We invited only women who could read and who could manage to leave their small children at home. Then because of a long drought the river was too low for boats to reach two of our larger stations and the women could not afford to come in sedan chairs. For two years the women who came to the New Year's meetings were the guests of the Mission, but we decided it was best to let the women show their appreciation of the class by paying their own expenses. This explains why our class was small, but all were in earnest

SIO-KHE DISTRICT.

Evangelistic Work

A hopeful attitude has characterized the Sio-khe church during the past year, for, although they called a pastor and their invitation was not accepted at that time, they had reason to believe that a subsequent call would be favored by him. This has since been made. An organized Sunday school has been maintained throughout the year and that has done much to make up for the lack of a pastor. The preaching hall has not done much this year. The man in charge is little more than a janitor so not much could be expected of him. All the other Chinese workers of the place were more than busy and the missionary has been prevented partly by lack of health and partly by reason of work in other places from maintaining any regular work in the preaching hall.

Echay, the only out-station of the church, has also done well. At the beginning of the year two members were received and during the year several new hearers have been added. In the autumn a series of meetings were held, our first attempt at anything of this kind. Our aim was to get a heathen audience to meet in the same place for more than two weeks, to preach to them the Gospel and the truths of the Bible, so that those who came for nearly all the meetings would begin to have some conception of what the Christian teaching is.

POA-A.

In Poa-a also there was a good deal of activity in church politics. The pastor who has been resigning for some years so far succeeded that the church was allowed to call another pastor in his place. One out-station, Toa-ke, has bought land during the year, thereby deciding for the present the location of their church building which moved twice in the last eight years. This was possible through the new preacher who was appointed last year.

The Haw-san church has been steadily gaining since the building was removed to the new place. Some of the efforts of

Four times a week the pupils have had calisthenics and much improvement can be seen in the walk and carriage of the older pupils. The general health of the pupils has been good. The autumn opening of school was saddened by the death of a day pupil who was burned by the overturning of a lamp. She was from a non-Christian family and had studied but one term; but she had learned to pray and sing a few hymns and in dying she told her mother not to be sorrowful for God would save her. As a result her mother and grandmother have been attending church and have put away their idols. Three girls, daughters of minor mandarins, who have read for several terms, have come to believe; as a result, one has been forbidden to return. Two pupils have been received into the church and two or three more are ready to take that step.

KINDERGARTEN.

Work may sometimes be discouraging, people may sometimes be disappointing, but the work in the kindergarten is always interesting, and the children most responsive. We had 97 children on the roll the first term and 90 during the last term—too many, really, for our crowded quarters. All of them have done well in their studies and, in so far as we have been able to judge, they have all learned to know and to love Jesus. Their bright eyes are all aflame with love when they tell His story or sing that beautiful hymn of Luther's, "Away in a Manger."

One little girl was called home last summer. She was very ill with fever and when her mother asked her if she thought she would get better, she said she did not know but thought she was going to be with Jesus. She was only six, but died happy in the gift of that wonderful faith. The kindergarten had to be closed several weeks earlier than usual the last term, as many of the children had smallpox and measles and the old caretaker was taken with leprosy. Many of the dear little faces are now badly pock-marked and scarred and all because of the lack of proper treatment.

a kindergarten or beginners' grade connected with the school. It is composed almost entirely of heathen boys but has had a very helpful influence upon the church and community. This year the work was, though with difficulty, financed by the church and its friends, and received no aid from the Mission.

The school at Thian-po has had the same teacher and has grown in numbers and efficiency. It is also a decidedly evangelistic force. Sundays it invites non-Christian boys to attend its Sunday school period.

At Chioh Be, the large school has had a good year. The pastor of the church gives much of his time to its supervision and has a good staff of teachers to help him. This school compares very well with the district boarding schools of Tong-an, Amoy, Chiang-chiu, and Sio-khe.

The Chiang-chiu Boys' Lower and Higher Primary School has had a very successful year, enrolling over a hundred pupils. Last year the head teacher was changed to other work in Amoy and a new one chosen. This had been the first step in advance. Since then the whole spirit and work of teachers and pupils has greatly improved. The year was brightened by our school again winning the championship race open to twelve primary schools in the city—this being also our second such victory in succession. We closed the year with a series of graduation exercises, one session being given to singing and recitations by the graduates, one given to the graduation exercises proper, and one day to manual work exhibit, drill, and athletics. The experiment was so successful that it will probably become a yearly affair.

GIRLS' SCHOOL.

The total enrollment for the year has been 102 pupils, the largest number the school has had. The teachers have all done faithful work and will, we trust, all continue with us another year. Three of our students who later studied in Amoy are now teaching, one in our primary grade and two in kindergartens. Two others are now studying in Amoy.

in sin and dirt and ignorance. Here in one village is a woman dying of a tumor because the hospital is too far away from her home. Here is a man ill and miserable with a loathsome skin disease because he does not know enough to bathe. Here are children becoming addicted to smoking and gambling and worse, because they have nothing better to do. And here and there and everywhere are souls dying because they have not Jesus Christ. But, in spite of all this, in spite of the perseverance of Satan and lack of Christian workers, the Kingdom is surely if slowly growing. There are, at the present time, thirteen chapels in the Chiang-chiu District, outside the city, where thirteen preachers or pastors are at work proclaiming the Gospel. There are many staunch church members also doing their utmost to win souls for Christ.

During the past year, several of the women have become interested and are attending the meetings regularly, some of them having to walk from six to ten miles to church. At Tiu-ka about sixty women publicly expressed **their** desire to know Christ.

Educational Work

The establishing of government schools throughout the more important centers of our district, though in itself a splendid movement toward the education and enlightenment of China, has had a deterring effect upon our Mission schools, in many cases making it all but impossible to get pupils and to finance the schools. Upon first thought, one knowing schools as they are at home would say, "Then let the scholars go to the government schools." But there are two great objections to this policy; as things are at present, many government schools are inefficient, and in all they require the worship of Confucius, the Chinese "god of education and learning."

At Sin-tng one new school has been organized this year by the preacher and the former pastor of the Chiang-chiu church. The first term they had over forty pupils and had

WOMEN'S WORK.

In connection with the general evangelistic movement at the Chinese New Year, special work for non-Christian women was done by the missionaries, Biblewomen, and a number of the Christian women of the church. It was decided not to hold public meetings as, for several days following the Chinese New Year, women are not supposed to walk abroad, so we went to them, going two or three together to the homes of friends, neighbors or relatives, and to different villages, to take the message of the Gospel. In this way many women were reached and our church women, in working for others, were themselves made more earnest and faithful. A number of them signed their names, promising to give an afternoon a week to going out to work for others. While some have gradually lost interest in it, others have been faithful and many calls have been made to witness for the Master. After the fifth of the New Year, the small chapel of the church was open daily for some days.

The attendance of the women at church has been good throughout the year and several have learned to read the Bible in the colloquial—a decided help to those who would grow in grace and the knowledge of Christ. Several women have been received into the church and fifteen babies, children of former school girls, have been baptized.

The two city Biblewomen have again done faithful work. They both attended a conference held in Amoy for Biblewomen last summer and received much help from the Bible classes and Christian fellowship they there enjoyed. Miss Morrison has given much time to calls in the city and nearer villages, realizing more and more the great importance of this part of the work.

As one travels through the cities and towns of China one is impressed anew with the magnitude of the undertaking of Jesus Christ, i. e., to save the world. Here are millions of people who have not yet so much as heard of His name; millions sick in body and mind and no one to help them; millions who cannot even read or write and who live and die

preacher until it can arrange for another pastor, not a very easy matter in our section of China.

OUT-STATIONS.

The two out-stations of this church, Sin-tng and Kaw-aw, have had preachers and Sin-tung has shown signs of growth in the number of attendants at services. Associated with the church at Thian-po is the chapel of E-gaw. Two weeks of special effort were given to this church in co-operation with the pastor, three preachers and a Biblewoman. The highest attendance at the meetings was over 300; the average for the evening meetings was 120. The meetings for women were held during the afternoon. There are three out-stations connected with the Soa Sia church, and each year they hold at each center a few days of special evangelistic meetings, designed to reach the surrounding villages which, so far as possible, are visited during that time. In these efforts the pastor of the church, the preachers of the chapels, a number of office bearers and the missionary work together, sometimes dividing into three separate preaching bands and going out into the villages during the day to preach, in the evening holding a meeting in the church or in one of the villages. The Leng Soa church has just lost their pastor, who has resigned. He has been in that church for about twelve years and has made it one of the most exemplary churches in the whole synod. Special meetings held for eight days at E-lang, the out-station, were very successful in helping the church and in adding to the number of inquirers. Mr. Day has given as large proportion of his time as possible to these special evangelistic efforts. Besides these, a Bible conference was held in October in Chiang-chiu for the preachers of this district and the Sio-khe district. At this conference six missionaries took part and, including the preachers of the London Mission, it was attended by over thirty preachers. It was indeed a conference worth while, helpful to the missionaries and Chinese alike.

now in charge of evangelistic work in the hospital, have faithfully preached the Gospel in the wards and by the beds. The pastor has preached to the out-patients on all dispensary days and has conducted services for all the in-patients in the large Bonthius Memorial Chapel every Sunday morning and Wednesday evening. Those who could read Chinese characters have been helped and encouraged to read the Bible and hymn book.

The Biblewoman in Wilhelmina Hospital, Khng-ko, has done faithful, efficient work and her example has been in accord with her precepts. When the burden of nursing has been heavy, a goodly share of it has fallen upon the shoulders of our Biblewoman, she being Miss Murman's most experienced helper. Emphasis is laid on Christian exercises. The Gospel is preached daily in the small chapel by Mrs. Snoke, the Biblewoman, or some visiting sister. After the Buchman meetings a personal workers' group of eight members was formed.

CHIANG-CHIU DISTRICT.

Evangelistic Work

The Chiang-chiu District comprises five organized churches and eight chapels or out-stations. In this report each church with its out-stations or associated chapels will be taken up separately.

CHIOH-BE CHURCH.

The Chioh-be church has had the same pastor as formerly, Ang Khek Chhiong, who is one of the most experienced leaders of the Amoy churches.

CHIANG-CHIU CHURCH.

During the summer months the pastor of the Chiang-chiu church left for the Straits Settlements and is not intending to return, so that church is now temporarily served by a

them a graduate of the Kolongsu girls' school and they arranged to have the smaller pupils from the boys' school attend also.

CHIOH-JIM.

The principal resigned in mid-year to accept an attractive business offer. The two other teachers showed a splendid spirit and determined to "carry on."

ANG-TNG.

The primary school has done fairly well but in the second term slipped back from the fine work of the first term. The development of the Agricultural-Industrial course there has been one of the big features of our year. The man in charge is ingenious and enthusiastic and a wide interest has been aroused. A more permanent organization has been planned and most encouraging promises of local support secured. Lack of proper school and dormitory room made it unwise to increase the enrollment of pupils, but for next year ample accommodations have been made available.

LIVINGSTONE EASTER SCHOOL.

In January we graduated a class of six boys, all of whom entered Talmage College, second year. Our enrollment this year has been over 200 and each noon we fed from 160 to 200 boys in our new dining room. This progress has stirred up our Roman Catholic neighbors to advertise a free school and they have tried in many ways to involve us in trouble. The Seventh Day Adventists also opened an opposition school. Most visitors at the school have remarked with pleasure the fact that pupils do all the work there that boys can do. The two large buildings are kept clean, about 400 meals are served each day, and yet the only hired help is a cook and one coolie. A dozen boys are working their way through, and that is remarkable for China. Another remarkable advance is the pupils' attitude toward physical exercise. Two of our teachers

are quite athletic and like to play with the boys. During the second term we secured the free help of a graduate of the provincial military school. The boys enjoy their marching drill.

Among the visitors who have spoken at the school and been especially helpful were Consul and Mrs. C. E. Gauss and Mr. T. M. Elliott, Y. M. C. A. Secretary.

GIRLS' SCHOOL.

After years of waiting, the Ak-sia property was finally secured and our last New Year's vacation was spent in getting the absolutely necessary cleaning and repairs done so that it might be used as an Annex. During the spring term we had 82 names on the roll and 55 during the fall term. The girls came from 14 different chapels and their influence ought to be widespread over the district. In June five girls graduated from our school and went down to Amoy to study further. During the spring term we had two serious cases of pneumonia which caused us a good deal of anxiety. We feel more and more that the care of a school is a great task and a great responsibility, but a great opportunity, too, to mould the lives of these girls for Christ. This school is in charge of Miss Beekman.

WOMEN'S SCHOOL.

The Women's School, which is in charge of Miss Green, opened with a good enrollment. So many women wished to read that we begged the use of two of the rooms of the new annex of the girls' school for extra sleeping quarters for the women. Thus we were able to house 30 women, whereas our own building accommodates only 24. Our good Mrs. Li continues to be the head of the school. With but one exception there has been a blessed feeling of good-will among the pupils, for Mrs. Li is a true peace-maker and the women listen to her gladly. One woman came for two weeks in order to learn to write, so that she might correspond with her children.

In the spring, because of a shortage of funds, we dismissed school a month early, and so we hope to keep within our abbreviated appropriations for the year. For the fall term we were unable to borrow again the two rooms of the annex so we used a small native house for our overflow sleeping quarters. The first of the year we started some children's meetings in the village and have had volunteer helpers for them from the women's school pupils; the women have also gone out with us or by themselves on preaching visits to the homes of their heathen friends.

The work of the Women's School is purely evangelistic, but apart from that there is steady and constant visitation and teaching done both among the women of the church and among the heathen women. There have been four full-time Bible Women and one woman giving part time. These women have paid lengthy visits to the various chapels and, starting out from them as a center, have worked in the surrounding villages. The women of the churches have themselves done considerable work for their less favored sisters and some of them have taught others to read and some of them do individual work for the Master. Even though some of the Christian women do not make the effort to tell of the Good News, still at the New Year time they are all eager to preach; and so, last year, as our custom is, we made a rather complete canvass of the villages within range of Tong-an and several new people were touched and have since then come to church. There are endless possibilities in this work and no hindrance to the universal preaching of the Gospel in any of our villages about here. The greatest difficulty about this out-of-door work, however, lies in the lack of workers. The harvest is ripe but where are the laborers?

THE ARCOT MISSION, INDIA.

The Mission occupies:

					Sq. Miles.	Popula- tion.
<i>In the Chittoor District,</i>	5 Taluqs (Counties) and parts of 2 others				4,104	805,991
" <i>North Arcot District,</i>	7 " " " " part of 1 other				2,816	1,289,935
" <i>South Arcot District,</i>	2 " " " " " 1 "				1,017	529,669
" <i>Mysore State,</i>	1 " " " " " 1 "				340	75,788
<hr/> Total.....15 Taluqs (Counties)					<hr/> 5	<hr/> 8,277 2,701,383

Languages.—1,600,700, Tamil; 950,000, Telugu; 150,600, Hindustani; Kanarese, etc.

Missionaries.—*Arni:* Mr. W. H. Farrar. *Chittoor:* Mrs. J. A. Beattie, Miss E. W. Conlin, Rev. H. E. Van Vranken. *Katpadi:* Rev. B. Rottschaefer. *Madanapalle:* Dr. L. H. Hart, Rev. J. H. Warnshuis, Rev. J. C. Van Wyk, Miss W. Noordyk. *Palmaner:* No missionary resident. *Punganur:* No missionary resident. *Ranipettai:* Rev. E. C. Scudder, Miss J. C. Scudder, Miss A. B. VanDoren, Mrs. H. Honegger, Dr. B. W. Roy. *Tindivanam:* Rev. W. T. Scudder. *Vellore:* Rev. L. R. Scudder, Miss Ida S. Scudder, M.D., Miss Gertrude Dodd, Miss A. E. Hancock, Mrs. S. W. Scudder, Miss D. M. Houghton, Rev. L. Hekhuis, Mr. C. R. Wierenga, Miss C. Durick. *Madras:* Mrs. J. H. Wyckoff, Miss C. C. Wyckoff.

Associate Missionaries.—Mrs. L. R. Scudder, Mrs. E. C. Scudder, Mrs. W. T. Scudder, M.D., Mrs. W. H. Farrar, Mrs. B. Rottschaefer, Mrs. B. W. Roy, Mrs. J. H. Warnshuis, Mrs. L. Hekhuis, Mrs. J. C. Van Wyk, Mrs. H. E. Van Vranken.

In America.—Miss J. V. TeWinkel, Miss S. TeWinkel, Miss H. W. Drury.

Native Helpers.—Ordained Ministers, 19. Other helpers: men, 366; women, 221. Total, 606.

Boarding Schools.—Boys', 9, Scholars, 493; Girls', 4, Scholars, 364; Theological School, 1, Students, 37; Day Schools, 209, Scholars, 10,348. Total Schools, 223; Scholars, 11,242.

Hospitals and Dispensaries, 11. Patients treated, 84,630.

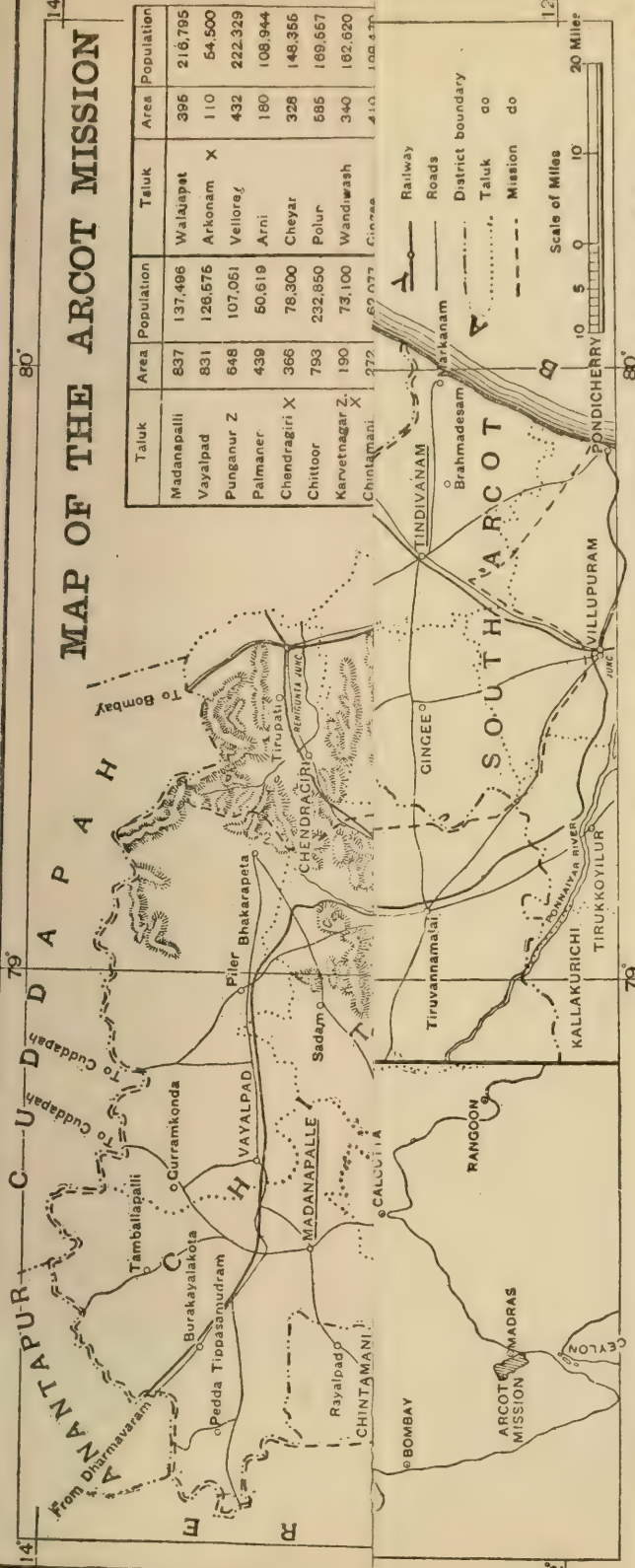
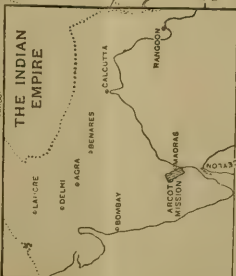
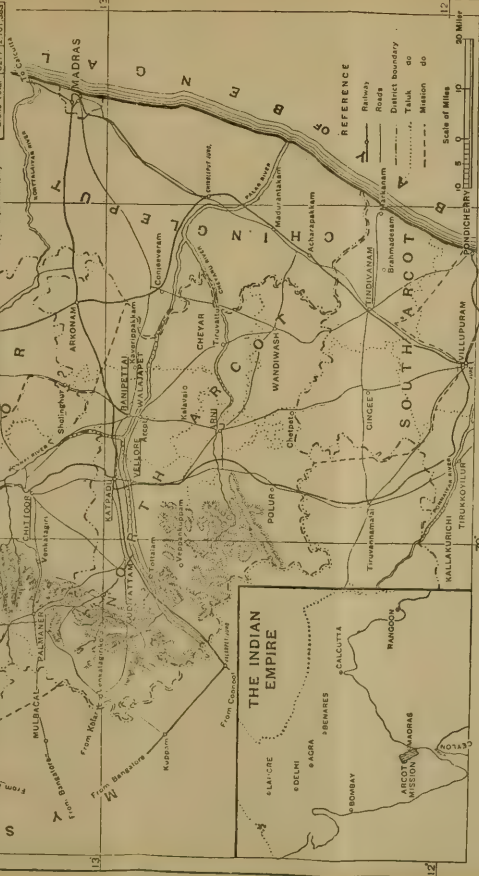


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MAP OF THE ARCOI MISSION

Town	Area	Population	Town	Area	Population
Madanapalle	837	137,486	Walajpet	395	216,785
Vayalpad	831	126,976	Aronam	X	64,500
Pingalur Z	645	107,061	Vellore	432	222,329
Pinner	439	50,619	Arni	180	108,944
Chendragai X	365	78,300	Chiyai	328	148,356
Chittoor	793	221,550	Polar	688	180,557
Karainagar Z	190	73,100	Wandawath	340	182,620
Chintamani	272	62,077	Gingee	410	189,470
Mudali X	68	13,711	Tindivanam	447	217,329
Cuddalore	446	206,836	Vilupnam X	180	112,070
Total	4861	1,081,816	Total	3387	1,619,750
		X = 1000 sq. miles			Grand Total 8247 2,701,566



REPORT FOR 1917

INTRODUCTION.

In introducing the work of the American Arcot Mission for 1917 to the reader we shall make a few references to the districts occupied, together with some of the physical and political conditions, before entering into the detailed narrative.

Roughly speaking, the territory occupied by the Mission extends from the sea, a little north of Pondicherry, in a north-westerly direction for about 225 miles, having a maximum width of some 75. In the south the land is low-lying, where rice, ground nuts or peanuts, cotton, other small grains, sugar-cane, cocoanuts, etc., are grown. The variation in temperature is comparatively small, while the average rainfall in normal years is between 40 and 50 inches. The farther north one goes the elevation is higher, rising to a plateau; the air is cooler and more bracing, while the rainfall beyond Vellore gradually decreases. In this section when the fields cannot be irrigated from streams or wells, the population depends upon other grains which grow in rainy season. The population within districts occupied by the Mission, roughly speaking, amounts to about 2,500,000, composed chiefly of Hindus and Mohammedans. The languages spoken are Tamil, Telugu and Hindustani. There are several places of historical importance in the Mission, such as Arcot, Vellore, Wandiwash, and Gingee, places well worth while visiting.

While traveling northward on the railway, a visitor would pass through the railway junction Villupuram, some 100 miles to the southwest of Madras. Four miles to the north of this place will be found one of the largest village churches of our Mission in this section—Orathur. Twenty odd miles to the northeast lies Tindivanam, the center of our work in South Arcot. Rev. and Mrs. W. T. Scudder are located here. Besides the Church, will be found the High School, Christian Hostel and other schools, and the Dispensary for Women and Children.

The evangelistic work of the Mission has been divided into four circles. In this, the Southern Circle, there are four pastorates, each with an ordained minister, having a combined Church community of 2,908 individuals, while there are 1,205 students in town and village schools. There are more Catholics in this division than any other of the Mission. Their work dates back to some 400 years. Although they have constructed many fine churches and have a large following they do but little for the education and uplift of their community. Their presence creates many difficulties.

To gain a comprehensive view of the Mission work, the visitor would best leave the railway at Tindivanam and journey by motor. The main roads are generally stone laid and well maintained by the Government. On either side will be found fruit or shade trees. Their branches in places meet over the middle of the road breaking the glare of the sun and giving coolness and shade. The scenes in a country village with the thatched or tiled houses and the cocoanut trees growing near by, are always fraught with much interest. There are no sidewalks. The cattle, sheep, buffaloes, chickens and dogs wander leisurely along, and are as much of the town as the people and children. The crude oil mills with their monotonous music drawn by lazy walking oxen, the thrashers of grain, the group of women in their gaily colored clothes walking erect with their brass water vessels on their heads, returning from the well, chattering cheerfully, never fail to enlist one's attention. At times the road will pass over the embankment of an artificial lake or tank where water is empounded for irrigation purposes. Along this will be seen the gracefully drooping and delicate leaved bamboos waving in the breezes, and the cocoanut and palmyra trees. The hills in the distance will be reflected in the waters which with the green fields, especially towards sunset, make as pretty a picture as the mind can imagine or the eye desire to see.

Taking leave of Tindivanam, he would journey northward, passing through Wandiwash, a growing center of evangelistic work, and arrive at Arni, one of the three original sta-

tions occupied by the Mission. Here is located a large Boys' Complete Elementary School besides the Church and three other schools. There is no resident Missionary, the work being under the care of Rev. E. C. Scudder, who lives in Ranipettai, and Miss E. W. Conklin, whose home is in Chittoor. Owing to lack of workers, no other arrangement is possible. The Evangelistic work about here falls within the boundary of the Eastern Circle. Turning northeast, the next place of visitation would be Ranipettai, the headquarters of the Eastern Circle, with its four pastorates, comprising a Christian community of 5,321 and 2,550 in all schools. The work is under the care of Rev. and Mrs. E. C. Scudder. Here also will be found the large General Hospital with Dr. and Mrs. B. W. Roy in charge; the Girls' High School supervised by Miss A. B. Van Doren; the Lace Class under Miss J. C. Scudder, who divides her time between here and Palmaner, and the Hindu Girls' Schools and Bible Women work under the supervision of Mrs. L. M. Honegger.

Traveling now to the west, the visitor would arrive at Vellore the largest town within our borders, the natural center of the Mission. Here are located the Theological Seminary, and the Union Training School for Men, both under the supervision of the Rev. L. R. Scudder, who is also the Chairman of the Indian Church Board and of the Western Circle; the Voorhees College, Rev. L. Hekhuis, Principal, temporarily assisted by Mr. C. R. Weirenga; the Schell Hospital, Dr. I. S. Scudder, the Physician in Charge; European nurses, Miss D. M. Houghton and Miss C. Durick. Mrs. S. W. Scudder, Mrs. L. R. Scudder, Miss A. E. Hancock and Mrs. L. Hekhuis are entrusted with other phases of Mission work, while Miss Gertrude Dodd is the Treasurer of the Mission. The plans for a development of a Women's Medical College in Vellore are well under way and classes are to be opened in July, 1918.

Within the boundary of the Western Circle, the largest in the Mission, are included the Gudiyattam, Serkadu, Chittoor and Katpadi groups. The growth of the Christian com-

munity in this Circle last year was most encouraging. This now amounts to 5,906, while there are 4,133 students in both village and town schools.

Now turning north on his journey, the traveler would pass through Katpadi, the residence of Rev. and Mrs. B. Rottschaefer, where the Industrial School is located. From now on Telugu comes to be more and more the language of the people. Chittoor would next be passed, where will be found the Training and Girls' Elementary Schools. Mrs. M. D. Beattie and Miss Conklin live and work here. Palmaner, located to the west, will next be in order of visitation. The country is considerably higher and less thickly populated. The work of this station is mainly evangelistic and manned by half a woman—Miss J. C. Scudder, whose energies are divided between Palmaner and the Lace Class at Ranipettai.

Turning northwest, Punganur will be visited. Here are located the Church, Mary Isabel Allen Hospital and schools. The large bungalow still remains vacant—a pathetic sight. This station is not manned by even half a woman. There is not a residential Missionary. Faithful Indian workers under the supervision of Rev. J. H. Warnshuis care for the work.

The last stage of the trip would take the visitor to Madanapalle, the center of the Telugu work and Northern Circle. On the outskirts will be found the Union Tuberculosis Sanatorium, over which Dr. L. H. Hart presides. Within the town are the Lott Lyles Hospital for Women, supervised by Mrs. J. H. Warnshuis; the Girls' Incomplete Secondary School, whose interests are cared for by Rev. J. H. Warnshuis, since Miss Drury's departure for America and the Boys' High School and Hostel, the interests of which are entrusted to the care of Mr. J. D. Muyskens. The Christian community connected with the Northern Circle numbers 1,536, while 1,600 students are found in all the schools.

In the above résumé all important institutions have by no means been mentioned. Further, should one desire to visit every school and church where the work for winning India

for Christ is being undertaken, a journey of hundreds of miles over country roads and jungle paths would be necessary.

India probably has felt the ill-effects of the war less than any country within the British Dominions. The people in many ways are loyal, apart from a certain class of agitators. As the months have passed, the ill-effects have been more keenly felt. The railways, because of shortage of coal, have greatly reduced their train services besides increasing rates. Coal formerly transported by steamers is now sent by railway from the north to the south. Traffic has been greatly congested and it is with difficulty that "goods or freight" can be sent or received. The price of all cloth has doubled and in some cases trebled, entailing many hardships, especially on the poor, the cost of building material, paper, iron, books, and all important articles having risen accordingly.

In the bazaars, Japanese articles of inferior quality have largely replaced those of British and German make. Stores and hardware are being largely imported from America. Exports not necessary for war purposes suffer severely. Owing to the lack of steamers for transporting grain over-seas, the prices of foodstuffs fortunately have not fluctuated much, a fact for which we are profoundly thankful.

THE WAR.

One of the most serious problems now facing charitable institutions which receive moneys from western countries is the matter of exchange. Owing to the falling off of trade there is but little demand for foreign money. Heretofore we were receiving over Rs. 3 to every dollar, whereas for several months the amount has been considerably less. Unless conditions improve we will have to face serious problems.

DEPARTURES.

The following workers left on furlough during the year, thereby throwing greater responsibilities upon those who remain. The Misses J. V. and S. TeWinkel and Miss M. Rottschaefer. The latter is planning to continue her studies in America, so

will not return in the near future. Owing to health conditions, Mr. F. M. Potter was forced to give up the work in the college and left with his family early in the year. Mr. Mason Olcott and Dr. C. F. Stube, who had taken up educational work for a short time, also sailed for America. Miss H. W. Drury, under orders from physicians, reluctantly left India. The failing health of Mrs. Wyckoff has necessitated her remaining on the hills. In order to be with her mother, Miss Charlotte Wyckoff has taken up a post temporarily in the Kodaikanal School for Missionary's children.

ARRIVALS.

It is with pleasure that we announce the return from furlough of Misses D. M. Houghton, A. E. Hancock and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Farrar; also the arrival of Mr. C. R. Wierenga who has come out for educational work, of Rev. and Mrs. John C. Van Wyk, who will take up the study of the Telugu language; of Rev. and Mrs. H. E. Van Vranken and Miss Noordyk, who will wrestle with the Tamil. We extend our hearty thanks to the Board for sending these brethren and sisters in these times of stress and financial difficulties. Would that the number had been larger for others should be in training to fill the vacant places, not to mention the taking up of new work. Our ranks are sadly depleted with an ever-growing work. Nor must we fail to mention the coming of a very important personage, although done up in a small package (capable of growth) of a son and heir in the home of Rev. and Mrs. L. Hekhius.

DEPUTATION.

We had the great pleasure of welcoming a deputation of ladies from America early in the year. Mrs. Knox and the Misses Van Santford Olcott, and Camp. The only regret was that they were unable to remain longer. Their coming stimulated us and left a sweet fragrance which remained throughout the year. A warm welcome will ever be afforded them again, should their travels lead them to India again or to others of our Church and nation.

POLITICAL CONDITION.

HOME RULE.

Politics in India have never been as interesting as this last year. The educated classes chiefly the Brahmans have been demanding with an ever stronger voice, a larger share in the Government affairs—the Extremists state that they will be satisfied only with complete Home Rule. An Indian gentleman worded his aspirations with these well-chosen words: "What India wants is her place amongst the nations of the World; India wishes to share in the great movement of human progress to offer her treasures of sweetness, reverence, and knowledge to the commonwealth of nations which meet under the British Flag."

No one can condemn such aspirations. The only cause we have for regret is the method, the time, and the leaders selected by the agitators for Home Rule. The methods adopted have often militated against peace. All well wishers for India cannot but regret that the demands have been pressed when England has had to concentrate all her thoughts and energy on the prosecution of the world war. Had leaders been selected who had clearly formulated their claims stating that India was reasonable in her demands and expected greater privileges after the close of the war, much unfortunate agitation and trouble would have been averted.

Early in the year conditions throughout India continued to grow worse. Several of the provinces prohibited Mrs. Annie Besant, the head of the Theosophical Society and the foremost Home Rule agitator, who has a large following in India, from entering their territory. Later the Madras Government interned Mrs. Besant with two of her lieutenants, one an Englishman. This added fuel to the fire. Agitation and demands for their release were heard everywhere. Because of these the Supreme Government, with the approval of the Home Secretary, released the three. The British Government has deemed it best to send to India the Right Honorable E. S. Montague, M.P., the Secretary of State for India, who is now personally studying conditions. Intimations have

been made that certain concessions and privileges would be granted Indians in the near future.

Naturally these events have very greatly stirred India. There are two views held, the Moderate and Extremist. Among the latter fortunately are found a very small body of Indian Christians. The majority may be classed among the moderates. To show the attitude of the Christian body within our Mission we quote the following resolutions passed at a meeting held recently at Vellore:

“Resolved—1: That we join our voice with every true patriot and lover of India in desiring that India should become a self-governing nation within the British Empire and take the position among the great nations of the world that is warranted by her numbers and intellectual greatness, and we pledge ourselves to do all that we can to hasten the time when this ideal shall become a fact.

2: That while we express this our ultimate aim, we desire to enter our most emphatic protest against the demand for Home Rule as inopportune and mischievous at a time when the Empire is engaged in a life and death struggle, as it would tend to distract attention from the supreme efforts to win the war.

3: That we express it as our opinion that India is not at present prepared for Home Rule, until illiteracy has been banished and the masses have been educated, until caste distinction and all divisive influences have been removed, until the people have been prepared for self-government by the gradual development of responsibility on them. We would most emphatically oppose all hasty steps to grant Home Rule at present. We feel that British Rule is needed for a long time to come to hold in check factions which even now often clash and to deal out even handed justice to all.

4: That in view of the high educational progress made by the Christian community the Government may be requested to admit them to a large share in the administration of the country and sufficiently safeguard their interests by making provision for their adequate representation on the local administrative bodies and the Councils of the Empire.”

The number of tributes paid in the papers to Mission work, to the part Christianity has played in the development of the people and in preparing India for the present demands, have in many ways, been remarkable.

TRIBUTES TO CRISTIANITY.

One Hindu in a long article published in a Madras Daily under Hindu management, closed with the words that India would be ready for Home Rule only when the people all became Christians.

The intensity of the agitation has somewhat abated. There has also been reaction among certain classes. Many of the less educated state that they enjoy ample peace and prosperity under the present Government and do not desire a change.

One of the causes for the reaction is that the non-Brahmans, who are more backward in education, realize that, should Home Rule be granted the majority of the Government offices would be filled with Brahmans, also that Indians are much surer of receiving fair play and impartial judgment from a Britisher than from an Indian.

A question naturally arises, "Has this agitation had any detrimental influences on Mission work especially in the educational centers, Tindivanam, Vellore or Madanapalle? The reply is, practically none, in the two former. We quote from Mr. Warnshuis's report with reference to the latter:

"The most encouraging feature of the year has been the activity of our enemies. One does not hesitate to designate the Theosophists as such even though a show of friendship is more or less maintained. Theosophy, Mrs. Besant, and Home Rule have loomed large against the horizon and claimed much of our attention. Their opposition has been and was openly manifested by their disciples. Early in the year our Girls' Hostel was nightly bombarded with stones and this caused much distress and alarm amongst the inmates—so much so that two of our teachers wanted to leave and some parents wished to remove their children. In June a mass meeting was held to urge parents not to send their children to our schools. Rival Elementary

schools were opened near our own village schools. Their disciples entered our Christian villages and preached against us and used threats to coerce those who were friendly. Home Rule processions marched round our compound, threats were publicly made that they were going to drive out the Mission. Our meetings were attended by rowdy students who made a great deal of noise and interrupted the speakers with questions. Our policy in the face of this has been to keep quiet and allow circumstances and natural laws to take their course. As the year closes we learn the Government has withdrawn its recognition and grants from both their High School and College. They intend to maintain a school independent of Government but this we believe will be a very feeble effort doomed to inevitable failure. Though we have experienced evil at their hands our sentiment toward them is one of pity, that their obviously sincere aspirations towards better things should so be misguided and vain. Some of their party have openly confessed to us that they are sorry they ever looked to Mrs. Besant to re-establish their school. And as for the town in general I am told that a great sigh of relief would go up should the Theosophists' College leave the place."

EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGN.

In the following pages frequent references are made to the "Campaign" or the "Week of Evangelism." A word of explanation may be helpful. The Churches of the Arcot Mission have united with the Churches of several other Missions and are known as members of the South India United Church. For the past three years, energetic efforts have been put forth to enlist every Church member in the work of leading others to Christ. In order to do this, not only is suitable literature published and people urged to "witness" for the Master, but a "Week" is also set apart when every one is asked to make "witnessing for Christ" the one and supreme effort.

INDIAN CHURCH BOARD.

With this year the Indian Church Board has completed its first sabbatical year. In October, 1910, the Mission passed over to the Board, composed of both Americans and Indians—the latter being in the majority—all the Evangelistic work and funds for the maintenance thereof. A careful study of some of the conditions resulting indicate that the Mission made no mistake when it thus called in the assistance and advice of the Indian brethren.

In the Councils of the Board we find the members striving to place greater responsibilities on the Indian brethren, whereas they hesitate to accept them. The Indian brother has grown very materially, is relieving the Missionary of much of his work, is taking a more active interest in winning souls for Christ; one is the Vice-Chairman of the Western Circle and renders incalculable assistance to the Chairman. In 1910 there were 10,751 in our Christian community whereas the present returns show 15,671 or nearly a 50% increase. These figures are most significant. Further in the last year the percentage of increase was the highest tabulated for many a year, and this at a time when the number of Missionaries devoting their labor to purely evangelistic efforts was at a minimum. War conditions and agitations for Home Rule with many an effort to discountenance Christianity seem to have had a beneficial effect upon the work for Christ. From the report of the Chairman we present the following facts.

A careful study of the statistical tables for the last year gives us abundant cause for thanking God for the success that has attended our work. I believe we have never before reported a larger growth nor one that has included so many of the items of our statistical tables. We have ten new villages. The gain in the number of families is 431; 366 have been received on confession, a gain of 143. Our communicants now number 3,593, a gain of 170. Never before have we reported so many baptisms. The actual number is 1,133, a gain of 339. Our total baptized community has grown from 7,431 to 8,094, a gain of 658. Our total Christian community now number 15,671, a gain during the year of 1,622. We report 8 new Sunday schools and 569 more

pupils. Our Christian Endeavor Societies show on the whole a very slight gain. We have made a very substantial gain of Rs 1,920 under contributions.

These statements show that our Churches are much stronger than they were last year. These gains are largely due to the Evangelistic Campaign. This is the third year of the Campaign. That our Mission has made a larger gain than it ever has before, shows that the Campaign is gaining in force and momentum. If this is true we may look for much larger results in the year to come.

WESTERN CIRCLE.

The Western Circle has made the largest gains which are little less than phenomenal. By this we do not mean to claim that these results were wholly due to our efforts alone. Far from that, the end aimed at was so greatly beyond what seemed possible that we were driven to a constant and deep dependence on the Holy Spirit to achieve it. But what is true and significant is that the results gained were at the beginning of the year placed before the Circle as our definite aim. And all through the year, in dependence on God, we were using the best methods we could devise to bring about these results. Without this I do not believe it would have been possible to accomplish what has been done nor do we mean to belittle the preparation that has been made throughout the year of the Campaign. A new spirit had been awakened, a new determination had taken possession of many hearts to make the winning of souls the supreme purpose in life. The insistence on Bible study and prayer had quickened into new life and activity many of God's children. There had been a distinct change of purpose in many lives.

Early in the year the agents of the Western Circle after careful consideration and much prayer determined to attempt to win 1,000 souls for Christ, chiefly in the occupied villages, so as to keep down as far as possible the expenses.

A healthy rivalry between the pastorates arose and also between villages as well. The pastors took up the work and organized to win men. Villages were visited. Conventions

held. Prayer and Bible study circles were kept up. Men and women worked for their relatives. One man held a special prayer meeting in his home, to which he invited his non-Christian relatives and told them of his deep longing to have them come to Christ. Several decided then and there to accept Christ. Great efforts were made to persuade many to come out and receive baptism at the Harvest Festivals.

These results have encouraged the Circle to place before itself a much larger aim for the coming year. We have determined to try to win 2,000 from our occupied villages, 500 from new villages and to make a beginning in direct efforts to win caste Hindus by aiming at winning 50. This programme has been taken up with enthusiasm. Even the Vellore Church, which did not take a very active part in the 1,000 soul campaign, has come into line. By action of the Session after careful consideration they have determined to try to win 300 souls as their share of 2,500. Many college masters and teachers are taking up the work with enthusiasm. They show a deep personal interest in the villages assigned to them, calling it their own village. In many cases their wives also have joined them in the work.

The definite effort to win the caste Hindus is a most interesting and significant part of their Campaign for the new year. It is a small and modest beginning. But I believe it is fraught with tremendous results. God will certainly give us converts from among these caste people if we seek them earnestly and in the right way.

It has paid to concentrate our efforts so largely on our Christian villages. The average strength of the congregations in the Western Circle has been brought up to 91 by last year's gains. The figure for the Eastern Circle is 82, for the Northern Circle 73, and for the Southern just under 50.

The Circle in winning 1,077 converts has made a gain of 22.3 per cent. over last year. Its share of the gain in total Christian community for the whole Mission is 64.4 per cent.

The Eastern Circle stands next to the Western Circle in its growth. The total Christian community has increased by 430. This makes an increase of 8.76 per cent. Very special

efforts were made to present a large number of converts at Ponnai Harvest Festival for baptism. A very large proportion of those who were baptized this year at festivals were from the Eastern Circle. In the same way the pastorates of Ranipettai and Yehamur organized their campaign work not on the idea of One Week of Evangelism, but on the thought of working for the full year. Work has been begun in six new villages. We rejoice in the accession of these.

EASTERN CIRCLE.

One of the outstanding features of the Campaign work in the Eastern Circle was the so-called rural Campaign in the town of Ranipettai, in which the effort was made to especially reach the middle class Hindus. This was carried out under the enthusiastic leadership of Mrs. Honegger. Preparatory meetings were held for several months to interest the people and establish friendly relationships with them. The whole town was divided into wards. Each ward was placed in the charge of a special band of workers who were to get acquainted with the people, keep them informed of all the meetings, and strive to bring them to meetings. A fund was raised to meet the expenses of the Campaign to which all the Christians contributed liberally. A spacious pandal was erected for the final meetings and every effort was made to secure success. Rev. F. Kingsbury gave the closing address of the Campaign with great power, when Christ was directly presented to the people and they were urged to accept Him as their Saviour. The meetings were remarkably well attended. A very deep impression was evidently made. There have been inquiries. But none have yet confessed Christ. The Campaign was a fine piece of work carefully planned and carried out.

In the Southern Circle adverse conditions have made the work difficult. The terrible cyclone of November breached many tanks, destroyed or damaged most of the houses, killed over 1,500 people, thousands of sheep and cattle, and greatly impoverished the inhabitants; the ground nut crop brought a low price; clothing has greatly increased in price; the people have

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had a very hard struggle to live. It has been difficult to maintain schools, and the work has suffered, but work has been done, and some results have been achieved. Three new villages were received, 87 joined the Church on Confession; 242 were baptized, of whom 78 were adults; 345 now adherents were received, but the net increase of the Christian Community was only 85. This is partly due to the fact that two villages with 118 people in the Tindivanam pastorate were dropped, as they had proven unsatisfactory. This loss made the net gain for the year only 3 per cent. But the real gain is about 7 per cent. In Tindivanam meetings were held during the week of evangelism.

SOUTHERN CIRCLE.

The Southern Circle carefully considered the advisability of making an attempt to win a definite number for Christ this coming year. The Committee to which the matter was entrusted suggested 500. The matter was then taken up and prayerfully considered for an entire day. The report as finally adopted includes not the figure 500, but 1,000. There are many doubting Thomases, but if all enter into the work with boldness and faith in the presence of the Holy Spirit, the task can be accomplished.

NORTHERN CIRCLE.

The Campaign in the Northern Circle looked at from the standpoint of statistics alone would seem to have been a rather dismal failure, for the share it has had in the General advance recorded this year is very small indeed. Forty-seven communicants were received on confession of their faith; 30 new families are recorded. There were 54 baptisms, 16 of whom were adults. Fifty-six non-baptized adherents were received during the year. The gain in total Christian community was 30, making a total of 1,536. These statistics are not encouraging. In this year of advance the Northern Circle share is just under 2%. The Circle Chairman refuses to be discouraged and feels that the year has been of great importance for the Campaign in preparing the way for a vigorous advance in the new year. The

Chairman states: "A glance at the surface of things is far from encouraging. But we hasten to disclaim such a condition. The net results are poor owing to losses from natural causes and it would not be fair to conclude that things were at a standstill. But even when all is said that can be said, it must be admitted that progress this past year has fallen below that of the previous years and below our expectations. In explanation of this condition it may be pointed out, in the first place, that the year has been devoted more to a preparation for evangelism than to the Evangelism itself. To spread the idea and spirit of the Campaign in all our scattered villages has taken much of our time and efforts. But we are highly satisfied with the manner in which the Campaign has been placed before the people and begin to see results accumulating even now.

"We note, as the most marked gain made this year, the increasing momentum which the Campaign is acquiring. We began this by sending a deputation of our most enthusiastic and experienced men to visit every village. Volunteers for special work were called for and the responses were encouraging. On one occasion when all raised their hands promising to enlist in this service a warning was given that no promise should be made without intention to keep them. A simple old villager replied: 'Sir, though I were to lose everything and all my family and friends and the Mission forsake me, yet I would have to do this work for my God.'

"The monthly meetings of the helpers were also conducted in a new manner so as to provide a time for special Bible study and a carefully prepared address each month. Classes for the helpers have been running for several months and in every village and town Church practically every Christian is enrolled for special study in this course. In addition to this, a Personal Workers Band has been organized in the Madanapalle Church consisting only of those who are actually working with the definite individuals.

"With great deliberation and with a magnificent act of faith the Circle has placed before its Churches a goal of 1,000 converts to be gained in the coming year. The work was begun at once and this ideal is being constantly kept before the people. Its

apparent impossibility has been our inspiration as we realize that we can only gain this end by faith and prayer."

So far the Board report has been taken up with the Evangelistic Campaign and its bearing on our success and on our failures.

EDUCATIONAL WORK.

A study of the Table of the Educational work under the Indian Church Board shows that there are 4 higher and 175 lower elementary schools, one less than last year, with 5,693 pupils, an increase of 106. The Christian pupils have increased by 249 while non-Christians have declined by 198. We have now 1,592 Christians and 3,501 non-Christians. Our total income from grants and fees is Rs. 12,896, an increase of Rs. 1,119.

A small beginning has been made in starting Credit Co-operative Societies in our Mission. Three villages have been carefully surveyed and for one, Yehamur, the application for registration and grant with the endorsement of the Government Official has been sent in. We trust that the same may soon be done for a few other villages.

In concluding this report, we would once again thank God for the success He has granted us. "He has done great things for us, whereof we are glad." We rejoice even more in the prospect of an even greater forward movement during the year the first fruits of which we have already harvested. In conclusion the Board Chairman says:

"I believe that under the guidance of the Holy Spirit we can make an advance of four thousand this year. I am sorely tempted to say five thousand. Will not the Board set this as the aim for the year? If we are ready to pay the price I believe God will give us this and even more."

The work referred to in the several stations is chiefly that connected with the Institutions as the Evangelistic work of the Mission has been reported on by the Indian Church Board.

TINDIVANAM.

THE REV. AND MRS. W. T. SCUDDER—I. C. B. Work, Crane Elementary School, Dispensary, Two Hindu Girls' Schools, and Zenana Work.

DR. C. F. STUBE—High School and Hostel for Christian Boys.

EDUCATION.

In the month of April there occurred an event which we feared would produce dangerous opposition to our educational work in Tindivanam.

For some years a number of our Hindu people in town, who were maintaining a complete Elementary school, have been asking the Theosophists to take over the school and place it under their Educational Trust. Only after one of the merchants had made over a considerable sum of money and property to the school did the Theosophists consider the request and assume charge. At the opening of the school in June they planned to have a grand function. Mrs. Besant was to come. There was to be a procession gotten up in the grandest colors and the school was to open with a blast of trumpets. Had this really occurred, the natural tendency would have been for many of the boys to leave the Crane and Lower classes of the High school, and join the Hindu school. Mrs. Besant and two of her lieutenants were interned by the orders of the Government during the vacation months. The excitement attending the internment, the agitation which followed, and later the exultation resulting over her release seemed to have eclipsed all their plans. We have met with less opposition this year than any heretofore; for which we are thankful.

One would naturally believe that because this Hindu school was brought under the control of the Theosophists that Tindivanam would have become a hot bed for the Home Rule agitation. Several meetings were held in the town, the Home Rule flag flown, temples lighted, but as to having any effect upon our schools or arousing the student population, we have seen nothing.

Dr. C. F. Stube, after having spent a little more than a year as Principal of the High School left for America in the middle of April. The warmth of the farewell reception given him by the staff and students testified of their appreciation of his work with them.

HIGH SCHOOL.

This institution has continued to maintain its usefulness and efficiency in the community. The results of the Government examination compared favorably with those throughout the Presidency. The grants received from the Government have been considerably larger. Even in spite of the hard times the strength of the school is greater and the income better than last year.

The great need of this school is a new building. High Schools are springing up in many centers and unless we are able to erect a suitable building for the laboratory and High School classes we will be left far behind, students going to other institutions. This object has been placed before the Board for a number of years, but to date we have received no word of cheer or assurance that the need will be met.

CRANE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.

This school located in the center of the town has had a very successful year. The number of students mostly non-Christian has been about the same, but the quality of the work done by the staff has been of a very much higher standard. This school keeps us in very close touch with the town's people and we confidently believe that streams of influences for good are going out into many a home. The Sunday School conducted in this building is one of the most successful. At the Annual Sunday School Anniversary the students secured the banner for the best exercises, winning it away from the Sunday School, composed entirely of Christian students.

CHRISTIAN HOSTEL FOR BOYS.

The number of Boarders is about 100. In June many of the older boys left us for other institutions while at the reopening

we had a flood of newcomers. Dr. Stube gave the boys considerable personal attention in tutoring which we have not been able to continue. The private tutoring work by teachers is maintained with good results.

On Easter 18 boys, after having been carefully instructed by Dr. Stube and the Pastor, joined the Church on confession of their faith for which we render praise to God. Many of the boys have rendered earnest assistance in the Evangelistic and Sunday School work.

WOMEN'S WORK.

Amidst agitations in India, and in spite of the war, our Mission work has been carried on without detriment of any kind. The friendliness of the patients who have been helped in the dispensary is on the increase and this spirit is as necessary for the progress of our work as a calm atmosphere is claimed to be necessary for the adjustment of the political situation.

The Hindu Girls' School has had a prosperous year. Their part in the Annual Sunday School Rally was carried out most creditably. Their singing at the regular sessions of the Sunday School was well done and, by giving them a variety of songs to learn, we feel that there are absorbing truths which will stick. The Tamil Department of the school has five teachers, all Christians. The strength remains about the same.

THE WANDIWASH SCHOOL.

With 75 on the rolls under the charge of the Pastor, Rev. J. Solomon, the headmaster and the staff have done excellent work. A very successful prize-giving was held when the girls sang and acted in a very attractive way, much to the delight of the parents and townspeople.

DISPENSARY.

Although the treatments in the Dispensary did not quite come up to last year's record, one dozen of those who came, were from distant places, an average of thirteen miles, which not only proves that the Dispensary is meeting a necessity, but that

it affords an opportunity for spreading the Gospel in places where there may not be any other way of reaching people. We are slowly getting more in-patients to stay in the Dispensary, but it is lonely for them unless they have relatives who can remain with them especially at night, as the nurse lives in her own home. Our ideal is a dispensary with quarters upstairs for nurse and nearer to town. The Bible Woman who is always present in the treatment room, talks informally with the patients—gives them tracts when they can read. One morning the head constable sat for an hour outside the door reading. He seems to be particularly interested in our institutions. One Sunday evening he was at one of the Sunday Schools. Another time he came and sat among the helpers at one of their meetings on the Veranda.

There are two Bible Women working in the town, one of whom gives half her time to teaching Bible to the Telugu pupils in the Girls' School as both the teachers in the Telugu department are Hindus.

A weekly prayer circle of the Dispensary workers with the Bible Women is held to ask for God's blessing in the work of the dispensary and the Biblewoman in the zenanas. One goes as far as he can in reaching the soul of the patient, then, we feel that we must give place to workings of the Holy Spirit. For instance, there is a patient who has bought our little book of hymns and sings them while working around her home—her husband tells me she is "my child." If I went further what would banish my child from her home more quickly than an open confession? You can understand our need of wisdom. Thus we always need your prayers.

ARNI.

This Station has been without a married Missionary and wife over two years, but the work has been ably carried by Miss M. Rottschaefer, who left on furlough early in the year. Since that time Rev. E. C. Scudder has had the charge of the station work, although his permanent residence is in Ranipettai. The traveling back and forward has been done, not in a motor car which would cover the distance in a little more than an hour, but in a "mule jutka" of uncertain speed.

The most important institution under his charge apart from the three Hindu Girls' Schools, two in Arni and one in Polur, 20 miles away, is the Boys' Elementary School for Christian lads with its boarding department where there are 90 boys in attendance. The students who are incapable of English education are sent here where the larger part of their training is in the Vernacular. After passing through this school they will be qualified with further training for teachers in the villages. This school is filling a most important place in the Mission plan and is worthy of every encouragement.

This station should have a full time Missionary who would not only be entrusted with outside Evangelistic work, but especially with the care of the 90 boys in whom are wonderful possibilities.

Possibly the spirit of opposition to Mission institutions engendered by the Home Rule agitators has been as keenly felt in some of the Hindu Girls' Schools as anywhere else. Influences have been brought to bear especially upon the parents not to send their girls to Mission schools. For some time the rivalry has been especially keen in Arni where much effort has been put forth to undermine our educational work. Mr. Scudder was compelled to expend a considerable sum of money on prizes in order to keep the girls happy and to discourage the desire of seeking admittance in the other schools. Mr. Scudder reports that the schools are in good condition, thus indicating the faithful and earnest work put forth by the staff. Arnipalayam has 110 pupils on its roll; Kosapalayam, 120, and Polur, 125.

ZENANA WORK.

The six Bible Women have been under the charge of Miss E. W. Conklin, who makes frequent visits to the place. She goes to the homes with the Bible Women besides encouraging and guiding them in conference and prayer meetings. The distance between Arni and Chittoor is not so very great, but the railway connections are unsatisfactory. Then with a ride of seven miles in the country jutka, much of one's valuable time is practically lost, but as stated above no other satisfactory arrangement could be made than to have Miss Conklin with Mrs. Beattie in Chittoor.

RANIPETTAI.

REV. AND MRS. E. C. SCUDDER—Eastern Circle, I. C. B.

MISS J. C. SCUDDER—Lace Class.

MISS A. B. VANDOREN—Girls' Secondary Boarding School and Zenana Work.

DR. AND MRS. B. W. ROY—General Hospital.

MRS. HENRY HONEGGER—Four Hindu Girls' Schools and Zenana Work.

RANIPETTAI HOSPITAL.

Owing to the outbreak of plague in the towns about Ranipettai and especially in Arcot situated on the main road, many people from beyond were timid and hesitated to come to the Hospital for treatment. For this reason the number of out-patients was reduced for a number of months by 50 per cent. The second cause of the decrease was the non-receipt of the spare parts for the motor car. Because of this, the touring was stopped for six months which, not only from the medical but from the evangelistic point of view, is very important. Although we may not be able to affect many cures while touring the fact that the people have an opportunity of getting acquainted with the doctor helps dispel the exaggerated stories the natives spread about the white man's desire to cut them up into pieces, and induces them to come for treatment where they hear the Gospel preached daily.

Early in the year Dr. Taylor, who started out so promisingly, had to resign, and six months later he died from Kalazar. Brought up in a Christian home, his father being a minister, he possessed many of the traits one would like to find in all Indian Christians. As an example of his willingness he gave a voluntary demonstration of anatomy at the Girls' High School one day when he had a fever of 103°.

Financially this has been one of the most successful years in the history of the Hospital. Local receipts have been large. The money has come principally from the inpatients for operative work. The private rooms have been full nearly all the time.

The hospital neither stocks, sells, nor encourages the use of patent medicines or nostrums. The native doctors live by humbugging the people, and there is enough fraud in India without distributing nerve tonics, strength builders, or blood purifiers. Several patients have run away before they were fit to be discharged. It was probably due to the restlessness found in these people such as is found in children. This is apt to happen among the free patients who do not appreciate the value of the treatment because they are of such low intelligence that they cannot be made to understand the necessity for further treatment. It is very discouraging and disappointing after one has spent a long time in applying a plaster cast to a fractured leg, to find the patient missing on the following morning. One woman who had had a radical operation for a cancer ran away as soon as she could travel. A young Christian boy, who had passed through rather a serious operation and had just begun to show signs of recovery, was removed by his father to his home forty miles away in a springless ox cart and, surprising to say, he lived!

Obstetrical work has occupied much attention. Several improvements have been made on the building. On one occasion the ward was visited by many because of the advent of triplets all of whom, strange to say, survived. They were far from welcome as the mother had not only five other children, but had been deserted by her husband. A number of Muhammadan women, who are usually very strict about having their faces seen by strange men, came to the hospital and were treated by Dr. Roy. Who can say that the East, with all its superstitions and useless customs, will not succumb to Western civilization! Aside from the Christianizing influence the good wrought in this department alone would be sufficient reason for maintaining the hospital. Two Bible Women and a Catechist have preached the Gospel faithfully and earnestly throughout the year.

Miss Van Doren writes: "The year just closing has been one of changes and perplexities, and yet one in which we can thank God for real progress achieved. With the opening of a Fourth Form in June, the need for two American teachers on the staff became imperative, and Miss Charlotte Wyckoff was appointed to that position. Our disappointment was great when

she was prevented from coming to us on account of her mother's health. We were most fortunate in finding a substitute in Miss Edith Hacker, of Travancore, who served as Vice-Principal for two months and a half. Her services in every department of the school life were invaluable, and her departure to assist in her mother's work, was much regretted.

"The next interval of six weeks was filled by a Syrian Christian student of the Women's Christian College, Madras. Her influence and example were also most wholesome.

"We had expected Miss C. Durick to come to us when relieved of her duties in the Schell Hospital. But her broken health made that impossible, when, in November, I too was laid aside. Miss Hacker again came to the rescue, and together with Mrs. Honegger, who gave up some of her own work, is carrying on the school work to the end of the year.

"The additions and alterations to our buildings are almost completed. We have a line of new kitchen and store-rooms and an "open-air" dining-room over which we hope to have a roof when funds permit. The rooms in the vacated building have been remodelled into a Teachers' Dormitory. A sick room has been added and additional bath-rooms have made the problems of cleanliness easier. A tiny prayer room affords a place to which any girl who wants a quiet time for prayer and Bible study may retire. Miss Hacker writes of dedication of this room, when the girls after the Sunday afternoon C. E. meeting marched out singing "Sweet Hour of Prayer" and held a single service of consecration in the new room.

"By utilizing special gifts from America doubled by Government grant we have been enabled to purchase a small nucleus of High School equipment. In spite of difficulties of war conditions we have got together enough simple Science apparatus to offer elementary courses in Physics and Chemistry. We also rejoice in a small library of books for the use of teachers and students and have been much gratified by the way in which it has been appreciated, especially by the students. To induce our Indian students to read merely for the love of reading is a great achievement.

"The Fourth Form, which is still our highest class, has consisted of ten students, and of this our first High School class, we have been proud. We are grateful that they have been worthy both in quality of school work, and in growth in Christian character, to set the tone of those who shall come after.

"Our new little Kindergarten has transformed our uninteresting Infant class into an ideal spot where the babies play and learn without knowing it. The play spirit has begun to permeate the whole school. A recent visitor on tour through Mission stations, remarked that nowhere else in India had he seen girls really playing with the western vim and abandon."

HINDU GIRLS' SCHOOLS: RANIPET, WALLAJAH AND KAVERIPAUK.

Mrs. Honegger writes of encouraging progress in these schools. In the recent prize distribution interesting programmes were gone through which showed careful training. The Ranipet School, still crowded into an inadequate building, is developing new lines of work. The teaching of English is an additional attraction. Since the Evangelistic Campaign some of the parents of the children who attend this school are becoming uneasy because too much religious instruction is being given.

In the Wallajah School earnest and faithful work has been done and the conservative people of the place are beginning to appreciate the benefits of education.

ZENANA WORK.

Opposition to our Mission School still continues at Kaveripauk, but because of the energy of the teachers, we are enabled to maintain our position. The influences for good exerted by the school and the zenana work are undoubtedly far reaching. Sunday schools are regularly carried on in each of the above schools. We have gained a fresh interest and impulse by coming into closer touch with the work of our Christian women, and confidence in the power of the Gospel over the lives of the Indian women has been strengthened. During the Evangelistic Campaign special lectures were arranged for Hindu women; these have been helpful in widening the vision of women's sphere of

usefulness in the world. Our aim has been to show these Hindu women something of the beauty of the Saviour's Life. The four Bible women who work in and around Ranipettai are not able to enter all the open doors. It is interesting to note the influence of the education work in the zenanas. Many of the younger mothers were former pupils of our Hindu Girls' Schools. Some would like to confess Christ openly. Often we must seek and encourage an earnest seeker to a quiet adherence to the Christ life looking to the Holy Spirit for guidance. Results are slow in appearing in zenana work. It is a work of uplifting and enlightening until ignorance and superstition are abolished.

LACE CLASS—RANIPET.

Miss J. C. Scudder, speaking of the Lace Class, says:—We cannot report any increase in the number of pupils as we have as many as we can accommodate. This year has been uneventful and the health of the pupils good. Three pupils in the Elementary and one in the Intermediate class were sent to Madras for examination. They say they did well, but the results to date have not been announced. The two teachers have done excellent work. We have great cause for thankfulness that five girls openly confessed Christ and became members of the Church, also that all the older girls took an active interest in the campaign work, visiting the houses in the town working for the evangelization of their Hindu sisters. Several of the older pupils teach in the Sunday schools.

VELLORE.

REV. AND MRS. L. R. SCUDDER—Chairman Indian School Board and Western Circle, Theological Seminary, Zenana Work.

MISS A. E. HANCOCK—Zenana Work, Hindu Girls' Schools; Mr. T. Harris, B.A., Lt., Manager.

MRS. S. W. SCUDDER, MR. IDA S. SCUDDER, MISS D. H. HOUGHTON—Mary Taber Schell Hospital.

MISS G. DODD—Mission Treasurer.

REV. AND MRS. L. HEKHUIS—Voorhees College.

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

The Theological Seminary this year has taken a long forward step, says Rev. L. R. Scudder. So far as numbers under instruction are concerned this is one of the record years. We now have thirty-four men and three women as students. The Junior class of eleven is made up of men of better qualification, most of whom have appeared for the School final examination. Consequently some of the class work will be conducted in English. For the first time also in several years we have had three classes for the regular courses and a Lay or Bible class of eight. This has meant heavy work for the staff, especially as I have not been able to take more than seven periods a week.

In the senior class of four, three passed creditably and were given their diplomas. One who fell below the pass mark was informed that he would have to pass in those subjects in which he failed to secure the fixed minimum before he would be given his diploma. Of the nine students of the Middle class seven were promoted, and two who were found unequal to the task of completing their course, were dropped. Of the Junior class of nine all but one were promoted, and he was dropped.

It was also decided to start a Lay class for students below the Higher Elementary Grade. This we are making a Bible study course for one year. The eight students will receive an elementary course in Theology in Christian evidences, and in the religions of India.

Special efforts have been made to develop the spiritual life of the students and to awaken in them an earnest longing to win men for Christ. All lessons were laid aside for one day and staff and students spent the whole day in studying the Evangelistic ideal and striving through prayer to catch Christ's spirit in working for men. The students immediately afterwards divided themselves into three bands under the lead of the members of the staff and have been trying to learn how to do effective personal work. Each band has taken a village in which to work and are hoping before the close of the year to have the joy of winning some to openly accept Christ. We have found that there

is nothing that so stimulates our spiritual lives as this effort to bring individual men and women to Christ.

It is interesting to note that five men and two women students are from other Missions. This I think is the largest number that we have had at any one time from other Missions. The Australian Presbyterian Mission has sent two and the United Free Church of Scotland Mission, the London Mission, and Danish Lutheran Mission one each. We rejoice in this extension of influence of the Seminary beyond the bounds of the Arcot Mission.

From this brief review of the work of the Seminary it will be seen that this work year is notable for three things:

1. A large increase in the number of students.
2. The admission of a strong class of better educated men.
3. The admission of a larger number from other Missions.

It only remains to record that the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America has on the nomination of the Arcot Mission elected the acting Principal Rev. L. R. Scudder to be Principal and Synod, Professor of Theology.

VOORHEES COLLEGE.

This, the largest and most important educational institution connected with the Mission, has witnessed a number of changes in its staff. The health of the principal, F. M. Potter, Esq., was not robust enough to stand the climate. Under the orders of the doctors he and his family left for America early in the year. His departure was deeply regretted by the Mission, the College staff and students. This was made all the keener because but little hope could be held out for his return.

Mr. Mason Olcott, connected with the College staff, who had come out for a short period also left for America. He had won the affections of the student body who showed their esteem by tending to him an impressive and hearty farewell reception, wishing for his early return to India.

Rev. L. Hekhius, who reached the Mission only some three months before and who had been set apart for Language study with the object of taking up Evangelistic work, was asked to

assume the office of Principal, not an easy task for a young man who had been so short a time in India.

The Mission with the approval of the Board took a most important step by entrusting larger responsibilities to an Indian Christian of approved worth and ability—a man whose scholastic abilities have been recognized by Government, Mr. V. P. Adisheshaih, M. A. L. T. He has been appointed the Vice Principal of the College, a position we are confident he will fill with energy and ability.

We quote the following words from Mr. Hekhius' report: We have great reason to be thankful for the unity and good will that has marked the year's work both on the part of the staff and of the studentry. Amid these times when there has been much political agitation in many institutions and troubles have broken out, the students of Voorhees College have shown their loyalty to the good name of the institution and have given their attention to the tasks in hand. The members of the staff are earnestly co-operating in the work of the institution and the results last year in the public examination compare favorably with those of preceding years the average of passes both in the High School and in the Intermediate examinations being above the average of the Presidency. With the opening of the year in June we found our accommodations overcrowded with a total of 1,098 students. We are anxiously awaiting the completion of the Cobb Memorial Hall as that will relieve the strain of crowding and enable us to do better work in the college as well as in the lower classes. The work on this building has been somewhat delayed because of lack of railway traffic facilities and war conditions. We expect to have everything in readiness for a public opening of the Hall early in June, 1918.

The Provident Fund for teachers, which was introduced in January, has proven a boon to the members of the staff, and the ready response on the part of the persons taking advantage of its benefits reveals that it is satisfying a long felt want. It has made for more conscientious work and has established a closer bond between the institution and the individual instructors.

One of the most interesting features of the year has been the Scripture classes, where the students, though obliged to study

the Bible, take a very lively interest in questions of personal relation to Christ and to His teachings. Scarcely an hour passes without earnest inquiry relative to some phase of Christ's teaching and its relation to every-day life. While there have not been open decisions for Christ, we know that these boys cannot think and study about His life and then go away untouched. We have endeavored to lift up Christ, claiming his promise of "Drawing unto Himself." And frequently questions which the students refrain from asking before their classmates they bring to their instructors in private interviews. One of the teachers has a class of boys whose avowed purpose is to know more of Christ and who meet each week outside the school hours. Several of the instructors likewise are taking an interest in the Bible reading and we pray that the spirit of God may touch their hearts and claim them for His own.

CHRISTIAN HOSTEL.

Apart from 22 students in the Hindu Hostel, there are now 74 students living together here. Their health and spirit have been good. The classroom work done by them has been a slight improvement over last year. Several of the boys have taken part in the evangelistic work in neighboring villages; besides many have volunteered their service as teachers in the night school which is being conducted by the College students for the benefit of town lads who are employed during the day.

SHELL HOSPITAL.

Early in 1917 we had the pleasure in the Mary Taber Schell hospital of having a visit from the deputation of ladies from America and were refreshed and cheered by their stay with us. Their enthusiasm in the work, their encouragement and help made a splendid start for the new year, but, best of all, they left Miss Dodd with us to become a member of Schell staff as Treasurer.

There have been various changes in our staff during this year. Dr. H. Pollard left us in March to open up a new work in the London Mission and we rejoice with her in the success

which is attending her in her efforts in the Erode Hospital, where the need for a doctor was great.

Mrs. MacDonald, a graduate of the Madras Medical School, who has lived in Vellore for some years, came to help us in May.

Miss Catherine Durick remained with us until Miss Houghton's return, when she, amidst many regrets, left those who had become warmly attached to her.

October was indeed a happy month, for it brought back to our midst Miss Houghton and Miss Hancock, and it did one's heart good to see the warmth and love of the welcome given to both. Miss Houghton took a special course while at home in hospital administration and has come back full of new ideas.

The work has been steadily increasing. We have had 128 more in-patients than last year, 3,432 more out-patients, and over 500 more operations, of which 294 were major. The income from fees, on which we depend very largely for the running expenses of the hospital, has also increased by nearly Rs. 3,000. We have been trying to impress upon the people the necessity of helping us with the upkeep of the institution.

The dispensary is always a busy place, often thronged especially with Muhammadan women who fill the waiting hall: women whose lives are so shut in that coming to the hospital on some pretext of sickness is a real outing and recreation. Many return to their villages ready and glad to welcome the preaching bands of women who are constantly going out to tell others of the Master's love. It is in the wards that we, of course, get into closer touch with the women. The Bible women and nurses alike have spent much more time with the patients talking with them about Christ, and many a woman has left the hospital with the consciousness of the love of the Master. Several, especially those of the higher castes, have told us that they longed to be baptized, but their homes and children held them. One Brahman woman left us filled with the determination of winning her husband to Christ so that they might come together. She made a significant remark: "You must make warm friends of the people if you want to win them to Christ." The non-Christian women are showing much more confidence in us.

GUDIYATTAM DISPENSARY.

During the early months of the year we were fortunate in having Miss Backiam, a graduate of Ludhiana, in charge of the Gudiyattam Dispensary, which lies 23 miles west of Vellore, but, unfortunately, she has had to give up the work, and for a time Dr. Ida Scudder had to close the dispensary, excepting her weekly visit. She is hoping to place another apothecary later there.

The Roadside Dispensaries have been very satisfactory during this year, and this work grows more interesting all the time. Dr. Ida Scudder and Miss Dodd make a weekly trip on Wednesday, accompanied by two nurses and Mrs. Cornelius, our Vellore pastor's wife. Mrs. Cornelius speaks Tamil and Telugu well and she preaches to the people while we are treating the sick. It is wonderful to watch her surrounded by forty or fifty, and sometimes more, men, women and children eagerly listening to the Gospel message. The singing attracts the people; also the children have learned verses and some can sing a verse of a hymn. As soon as Mrs. Cornelius has finished the lesson and has answered the many questions asked, she goes quietly to one side and has many a quiet heart to heart talk with individuals. Surely ere long we will see a great awakening on that roadside, the fruits of these messages from God's word.

There are many touching incidents in the roadside work. One day we saw a woman leading three men across the fields, and when they arrived we saw at a glance they were all hopelessly blind. It was hard indeed to tell them this, because someone told them that a doctor came in a motor who could give them sight and they had walked for miles and miles to get there in time. "Are you sure you can do nothing? We have very little money; we are very poor, but we will give all we have if you will only help us," said one. It was so hard to repeat again—"I can do nothing"—and to see the sad helplessness settle down on these faces as they turned away saying, "We came so far, but she can do nothing."

The thing that has brought most joy to us during the past year has been the Bible class for the English-speaking

women of our congregation. We took up the study of Acts early in the year and felt we must begin and work as the Apostles of old worked and therefore we organized into bands, and have been going into many of the surrounding villages preaching and teaching. We have rejoiced to see the spiritual growth among the women and the enthusiasm of the nurses is infectious.

Miss Durick writes of the Nursing Department of the Schell Hospital: During the year, we received five girls as probationers. They made a splendid class, as all speak English quite well. One in the senior class passed her final examination successfully. We received, too, a married woman who wishes to study nursing so she will be able to take better care of her children. She is so quiet and such a faithful worker that she will have a good influence upon the younger girls. It is a joy to see signs of spiritual growth among the nurses and to know that some have a real concern for the spiritual welfare of their patients.

The nurses have taken a keen interest in the Evangelistic Campaign. Before this began, several bands were formed of the members of Dr. I. S. Scudder's Bible class. To each band was assigned a village. Every week each band visited its village and held meetings. Reports were given at the Bible class. Some met with opposition and special prayer was made for them. It was inspiring to hear of the answers to our prayers. When the Campaign began, these bands were ready to do their part. The members prepared lessons which they taught in the villages. Some did remarkably well. It was not possible for all the nurses to be in these bands, but we were glad all wanted to serve and asked to be allowed to help, if only for one day. We hope this interest will continue to grow and that every one of the nurses will become an ardent worker in the cause of our Lord and Master.

HINDU GIRLS' SCHOOLS.

Mr. Thomas Harris of Voorhees College has had the charge of the three Hindu Girls' Schools and he reports thus:

The Girls' Schools Arasamaram, Circarmundi and Vellapadi completed another year of useful work. There have been very few changes in the staff. The strength of the schools is: Arasamaram, 170; Circarmundi, 173, and Velappadi, 100. Government increased its ordinary grant appreciably this year. Velappadi earned also a special grant of Rs. 115 for furniture.

At the beginning of the year almost all the mistresses attended the Kindergarten Training Class held for them at Ranipet by Miss Cornelia Wyckoff. This short training has been of some help to them. But a more extended and systematic training in this line of work is very desirable for improving the method of teaching in all our Girls' Schools.

It is a great pity that the Hindu girls who are so eager to learn do not remain long in school. They are snatched away by their parents at the most profitable part of their course. Time alone can change this injurious practice.

It is only a year since gardening was started in all the schools. The girls take much delight in the work. Arasamaram and Circarmundi can boast of flourishing gardens. Velappadi is much handicapped in this line of work by having no space for a garden. In spite of this drawback it has made a brave attempt to convert its backyard into a small garden. These gardens are expected to have great influence upon the moral character of the children on account of the pure delight they afford and the love of nature they create in the young minds.

ZENANA WORK.

Mrs. L. R. Scudder, who has had the charge of the Bible-women's work writes: Bible women's work has been carried on in and about Vellore during 1917 by all women who have access to over 400 houses. Their monthly reports tell of interesting conversations with the women in their homes and in most sections, of a decided spirit not only of tolerance but of open-mindedness and inquiry.

Following up the Evangelistic Campaign work of last year these Biblewomen have been teaching a selected line of

lessons from the Old and New Testaments, Christian lyrics, and short, simple prayers in an increasing number of homes. They have comforted those who have been in trouble, and ministered to the sick and dying; six of the latter have expressed their belief in Christ. Some of the women read the Bible for themselves and do not worship idols. Other do not observe their festive days and ceremonies.

In addition to their work in the town of Vellore the Biblewomen go every week to the neighboring villages and preach to the Panchamas and caste people of the 30 villages in which we have been working; we have been obliged to give 16 villages to the special Evangelistic bands of the Vellore Church. The villagers hear us gladly; we are securing their confidence and friendship.

KATPADI.

THE REV. AND MRS. B. ROTTSCHAEFER—The Industrial School, Building Operations, and Hostel.

The work of the Katpadi station centers around the Industrial School. The school itself has enjoyed the busiest year of its history and today has work ahead for the next six months.

The Industrial School has prospered, says Mr. Rottschaefer, especially in the wood working and blacksmith departments. In the latter we were kept very busy by making in addition to regular work, eleven large steel trusses for the Cobb Memorial. When we consider that we have no up-to-date appliance for rapid and good work, all of which has to be done by hand, we feel that satisfactory work has been accomplished. Two boys were sent up for the Government technical examination. Last year one passed first class. In the blacksmithing department there is ample scope for development, and we hope that we may receive encouragement to enable us to equip this department properly for better and more efficient work.

Two of our pupils left school to join the army, and more were encouraged to do so, but did not care to leave. The first

roller top desk was successfully made. We believe that the time is near when it will no longer be necessary for our Board to pay ocean freight for articles of furniture to be shipped to India. To meet the increasing demands of the cabinet carpentry department we were forced to enlarge the school. It was found impossible to continue working with the primitive method of sawing timber, so a sawmill was installed. With a grant-in-aid from Government and the generosity of a friend we have been enabled to put in this much needed improvement. We have added about 2,500 square feet of covered area and about ten times that much of enclosed area. All our machines are running for the first time since the school's removal from Arni. A dry kiln for properly seasoning timber is being fitted up. There is now space enough to allow for a healthy growth of the school along present lines. Our hope for the future is a course of agriculture run in connection with a demonstration farm and in introducing a better system of weaving, among our Christian community. The hostel, though smaller than usual, connected with the school has had an uneventful year. The health of the boys has been good and a healthy Christian atmosphere prevails. Most of the boys "did their bit" during the week of Evangelism in trying to make others acquainted with the Saviour. Our night school has continued to instruct the boys in the rudimentary branches of knowledge.

CHITTOOR.

MRS. J. A. BEATTIE—Girls' Higher Elementary Boarding School and Normal Training School for Mistresses.

MISS E. W. CONKLIN—Zenana Work and Hindu Girls' Schools.

Mrs. Beattie writes of the Boarding and Normal Training School work at Chittoor: Shut doors, silent schoolrooms and a very quiet compound give evidence that our schools are closed for the Christmas holidays. It is a great relief to have the girls under the care of their friends for a while, for, even though everything is going smoothly, one has always a sense of responsi-

bility until the holidays begin. A few days ago the Boarding School girls, with bright faces, all ready to start for the station, came to the veranda to say salaam before they went. "Are you glad to go home? I asked. The response was a very hearty "yes." Will you be glad to return to school after the holidays are over? "Yes," they quickly replied. And I believe they spoke sincerely. I think they are all quite glad to come back to school when the holidays end. The size of our boarding school family is limited by our accommodations. With 83 pupils and seven teachers in the hostel, we have been full this year. These seven young girl teachers include those who are employed in the Hindu Girls' School and the Church School. The health of the school has been excellent.

Our girls again had a share in the Evangelistic Campaign. Every evening they divided into groups and prayed for God's blessing on the seed that had been sown during the day, and for all who had been sowing.

NORMAL TRAINING SCHOOL AND MODEL SCHOOL.

The enlargement of the Training School building has made some changes necessary. As the building will be unfit for occupation while the alterations are going on, the Mission decided not to admit a junior training class this year, as there will be no room for two classes. From July there has been only the senior class of ten students. The class which graduated in March recovered their record and again gained 100 per cent. pass in the Government examination. Since July the work has been carried on single handed. One of our students gained a second prize from Lady Pentland, the wife of the Governor, for work sent to an exhibition held recently in Madras. Exhibits were asked from all the training schools in the Presidency.

In the Model School there are 65 pupils. About 30 of that number are boarders. The remainder come from our nearest Christian village. The Inspectress of Schools at her visit in July again emphasized the necessity for a trained kindergartner for the Training School, and hinted that Government recognition might be withdrawn unless the recommendation of Government were complied with.

PALMANER.

MISS J. C. SCUDDER—Hindu Girls' Schools and Zenana Work.

MISS E. BROWN—Assistant.

Miss J. C. Scudder writes: There has come a change among the Hindus of Palmaner. Formerly they tolerated us, but kept aloof and had little to do with us. Now they listen with interest. Not only do they seem to be pleased when we visit their homes, but they also invite us to return.

For the first time Palmaner has been visited by a famous Indian Christian singer, who truly is a gifted man and sings the Gospel message with no uncertain sound. He sang for the women in the Hindu Girls' School and drew a remarkably large audience of Hindu women. We trust much good has been done and that a great blessing will follow. One woman has been baptized and another has joined the church.

HINDU GIRLS' SCHOOLS.

This school has had a sad history during 1917, owing to the loss of the headmaster and the failure to find a satisfactory substitute until September. Plague closed the school for three months, later cholera and smallpox reduced the attendance. A satisfactory headmaster was found, one who has been trained in a model school, and we are hoping he will make a model school out of this one.

THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.

Formerly connected with the Indian Church Board, was transferred to my charge in February. It labored under the difficulty of an incompetent headmaster for three-quarters of the year, when we finally secured another man to fill that position. The school is well equipped with apparatus and with the new teacher we trust will take a forward step. There are now about 80 pupils. They did fairly well in the Government examination and very well at the Bible examination.

WEAVING WORK.

The weaving department has been working steadily. There are at present six workers. The various steps of instruction are, weaving towels, cloth, bed sheets, checks, and sarees. One boy is in the first stage, two have risen to the third, and two weave very good, strong sarees. The sixth weaver is a recent convert who has just commenced to do piece work. He has a wife and child.

ZENANA WORK.

Miss Brown has continued her work in the Zenanas this year. Two Biblewomen were under her direction for the first four months of the year. As plague was prevalent in April, the people were ordered to leave their homes, and so the visit to the Zenanas had to be temporarily discontinued. In May one of the Biblewomen had to give up, as her husband was transferred to another station. The other Biblewoman with Miss Brown has carried on the work and the seed has been faithfully sown.

WOMEN'S MEETINGS.

These meetings have been well attended. The women are largely illiterate and have had hardly any advantages along educational lines, but they are happy Christians. They did good work during campaign week and are keeping it up by going out one day of each week to carry the Gospel message to others.

MADANAPALLE.

THE REV. AND MRS. J. H. WARNSHUIS—Girls' Incomplete Secondary Boarding School, Northern Circle, I. C. B., and Two Hindu Girls' Schools.

MRS. G. GNANAMANI—Assistant Missionary and Zenana Work.

MR. JOHN D. MUYSKENS—High School and Hostel for Christian Boys.

This station seriously feels the loss of Miss J. V. TeWinkel and Miss H. W. Drury, whose places have not been filled. The return of Dr. L. H. Hart, which has been looked for with eager expectations, is still pending. She is in charge of the Union Tuberculosis Sanatorium, kept there because the Government edict forbids her successor, who is in England, to travel by sea. In speaking of the great stress of work last year, Rev. J. H. Warnshuis says: "When I speak of the stress of the last year, I have my mind on the steady and persistent work that goes on from day to day. Of the campaign work in the town and villages, we live in an atmosphere of hope. The issue seems at hand in the near future. Old institutions are being undermined and India's artificial social system and its mass of superstition, though it still preserves an intact appearance, is nevertheless doomed. Old rites and customs are passing away, both in town and villages. I have in mind a few individuals, one a Brahmin, one a Reddi, who told me they were secret Christians; another, a merchant who was showing me through one of their festivals, laughed at the rites and said: 'Of course it is all nonsense.' And so here and there, bit by bit, Christianity's hold on India is strengthening and our responsibilities increasing, for with every tearing down there must be a building up, else black ruin will swallow up these people and make their state worse than before. There have been many distractions. It is in this respect that we feel most discouraged. It is not overwork that we can complain of, but too much variety. We are able to hold up only the matters that force themselves upon us. No sooner do we make progress in one respect than we are compelled to drop it and turn to something else. Money and workers are spread out too thinly. We must either shorten our line or have more adequate means. We cannot bring ourselves to the former, and our plea is that we may be granted the latter. There is a magnificent work and magnificent opportunities. Our only excuse in persisting in them is that the day is bound to come when the Church both in India and America will hear the call that goes up from the thousands groping toward the light.

HOPE HIGH SCHOOL.

Early in the year the students of Hope College, Holland, Mich., decided to assume the support of the Principal J. D. Muyskens, Esq., of the High School. The department of education upon request from him recognized the school under the new name. He values greatly the new relationship which links the High School now entering on a new phase of usefulness and service to an institution at home known for its Christian atmosphere and Missionary zeal.

Never have the prospects for the school seemed as bright as they do now. Owing to continued disloyal teachings and dangerous doctrines the Department of Public Instruction has decided to withdraw recognition from the rival institution, the Theosophical School, from the 1st of January, after which this will be the only affiliated High School in the town. In the High School department especially, the growth has already been phenomenal, and now with the new conditions the time has come when admissions can be restricted to only those who are worthy of the opportunity. This will tend to higher efficiency.

During the year, athletics, literary work and dramatics have received a new impulse. Student activities are greater and more varied than ever. Plans are under way for opening an Honors Club for those who not only are the best scholars but also take the largest share in outside activities. For the fourth year in succession the Shield for the district sports was won by the school.

In the hostel the spirit has been splendid. The young man who assumed the superintendentship, one of the first graduates of the High School, has infused a new spirit of Christian service which it does one good to see. The boys are taking a larger share in the actual management of the hostel. They have organized a volunteer Christian Band which has already done some noble work. "It was my pleasure," Mr. Muyskens says, "to accompany five of the large boys to a Telugu Students' Camp at Vellore, where we all received

a new inspiration and a clearer vision of Christ's claim on the lives of the Christian young men of India for Christian service.

GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL.

Mrs. Warnshuis writes: The Madanapalle Girls' Boarding School came under my management when Miss Drury left for America in May. Thanks to her diligent efforts a strong staff of teachers had been secured and it is probable that we have never before been so well off in this respect. Great credit reflects upon the former headmaster, Mr. Ezekiel Bedford, who has rejoined us this year, for the conduct of the school is almost entirely in his hands.

It is not for the classroom work that we are anxious, difficult as it is to keep this up to the standard, but it is in the hostel that the almost total absence of responsible feminine management is felt. Certain it is that the tone of the school and its power as a Christian force have greatly suffered in the absence of Miss Drury.

The Madanapalle Hindu Girls' School has likewise depended upon the headmaster more than its manager for its wants.

VAYALPAD HINDU GIRLS' SCHOOL.

Mrs. Gnanamani writes: Since Miss Drury left India, I have had charge of this school. The headmaster is working very hard for the improvement of the school. In spite of opposition and rival schools, this school is really doing well. Theosophy is trying to get a foothold there, but owing to the kindly feeling existing between the Missionaries and the Reddies our school has not suffered much.

Vayalpad Zenana work has also been under Mrs. Gnanamani's care, who tells the story of the year's work. The Bible-woman is doing good work among the women. She has taught them a good many lyrics and Bible stories. She is also working among the higher class of townspeople. In connection with this, it will be interesting to know that recently

an Anti-Brahmin Committee has been started, by which the members bind themselves to interdine regardless of caste or creed. This sounds very hopeful, does it not?

ZENANA WORK.

The Church expects about 300 converts this year, and we have been thinking deeply as to how much the Biblewomen can do to help on this work. Instead of scattering our energies we are trying to concentrate and to get more in touch with those women who really seem interested in the Gospel. Once or twice a week we all join together and visit villages nearby so that when time for the regular campaign comes, the people's hearts may be prepared. In going to these Hindu and Muhammadan houses one cannot help noticing the difference Christianity makes in the lives of the people; for example, the utter misery and despair of the women who have lost their husbands or children. They cannot look beyond the grave, while, thank God, we Christians can. Also their home life is made miserable, because a man can be disloyal and untrue to his wife and no one would consider it in the least wrong. The stories we often hear from the women make our hearts ache and we long for the day when India will be Christ's.

PUNGANUR.

REV. AND MRS. J. H. WARNSHUIS in charge.

MRS. G. GNANAMANI—Hindu Girls' Schools, Muhammadan Girls' School and Zenana Work.

MRS. JOHN H. WARNSHUIS—General Interests and Mary Isabel Allen Dispensary.

Mrs. Gnanamani has charge of the work for women and children. There is only one Biblewoman working at Punganur, and she is doing good work. I have not had much opportunity of going into the homes with her, as my visits to Punganur have to be more or less hurried.

HINDU GIRLS' SCHOOL.

Plague and cholera have both visited Punganur this past year. This necessitated closing the school for some time, consequently our school did not do as well as usual in the annual inspection. Poor Parvathi, the headmistress, actually shed tears because the school never fared so badly before. The teachers had been working very hard and in their leisure time they had been doing things for the improvement of the school. The Inspectress was particularly pleased with some charts and maps one of the teachers had drawn. In connection with this school Sunday classes are held.

MUHAMMADAN GIRLS' SCHOOL.

The Inspectress was greatly pleased with this school and said that it was the best in her Circle. All credit is due to the only Christian trained teacher there. Because of her good work, she has been made headmistress, as the former headmaster, a Muhammadan, is too old to do much work. Some of the oldest girls have left school and many of them have married. The oldest students at present are not more than twelve. These little girls are very clever and quick to catch and retain ideas. It is a great pleasure to teach them.

MARY LOTT LYLES HOSPITAL.

Mrs. Warnshuis says that it is not an easy matter to write a report for Mary Lott Lyles Hospital. The little institution has been struggling against odds ever since its beginning some four years ago, and we wonder if the day will ever come when it can boast of a full-time doctor as its head again.

For the first six months of the past year Mrs. Witney, M.B., formerly of the London Mission, was in charge, and for the first three months of that time she was assisted by Miss J. V. TeWinkel whose furlough fell due in March. Mrs. Witney kindly stayed on during the hot season that I might have a chance of a holiday before taking on the responsibility of the work in July since which time I have been assisted by

an Anglo-Indian apothecary who has superintended the dispensary and the out work, calling me in consultation when she felt it necessary.

In numbers we stand much as we did last year. We cannot claim any great step forward, but we are glad we have been able to hold our own. I have not been able to give anything like my full attention to hospital work, because of there being a Girls' School to oversee, a dispensary in Punganur to manage, and a thousand and one things to do in the station, but the sick and the needy have not been turned away from our doors, and now with a prospect of the help of a nursing superintendent once again our hearts are filled with hope that 1918 will be a better year than 1917.

Our nursing staff has been depleted for various reasons, but we have intentionally kept our numbers low until such time as we could feel sure of help in the training of them. We have three seniors graduating, we hope, in March, all of them girls whom we are proud to send forth as the product of our hospital. India needs such Christian women to care for their sick.

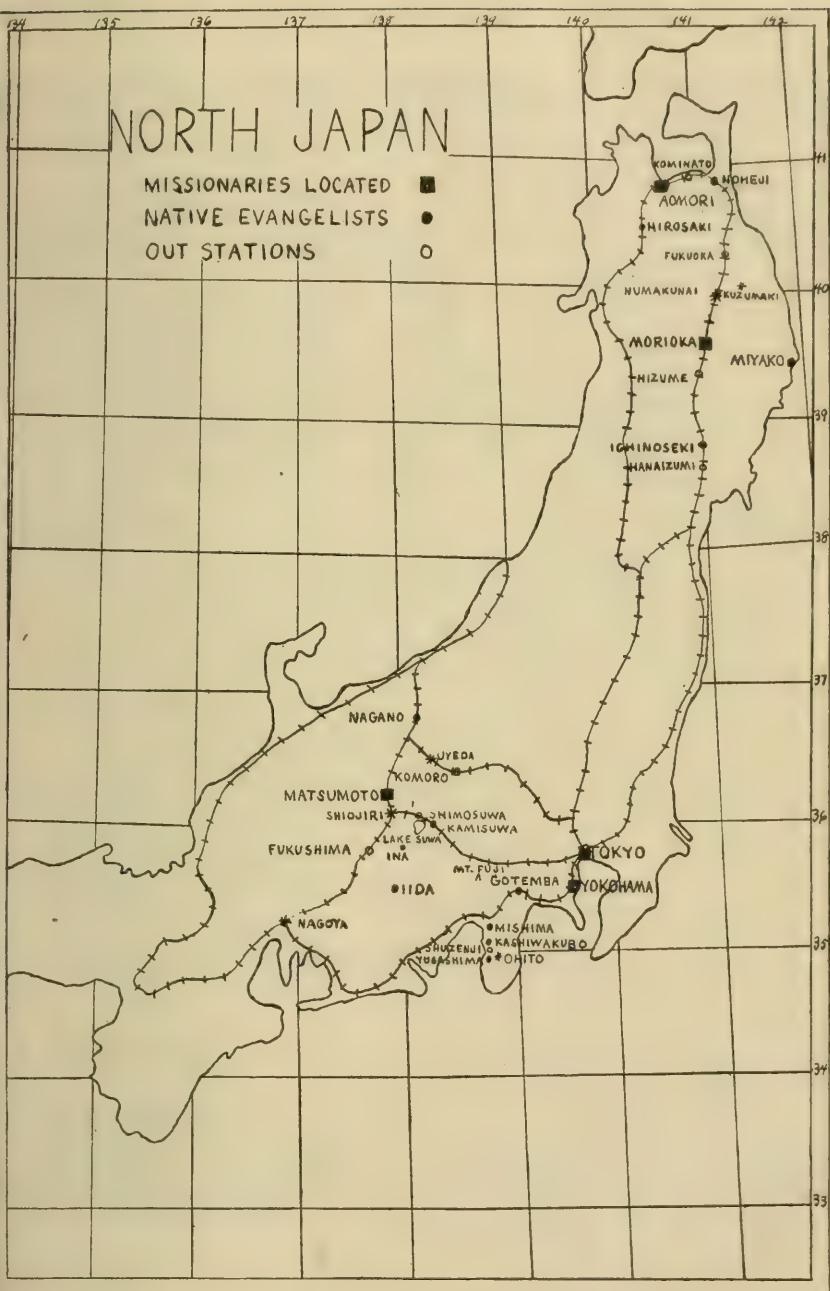
Christian services have been held twice daily in the hospital in the wards. Some of the nurses spend their leisure time on Sunday afternoons in teaching the children in the Sunday school.

NORTH JAPAN

MISSIONARIES LOCATED ■

NATIVE EVANGELISTS ●

OUT STATIONS ○





JAPAN MISSION.

FOUNDED IN 1859

Organized into North and South 1889; Re-united January 1st, 1917

Missionaries.—*Tokyo:* Mrs. M. N. Wyckoff, Rev. A. Oltmans, D.D., Rev. D. C. Ruigh, Mr. W. E. Hoffsommer, Rev. H. V. E. Stegeman. *Yokohama:* Miss Julia Moulton, Miss Jennie M. Kuyper, Miss Jane Oltmans, Rev. J. H. Ballagh, D.D., Rev. E. S. Booth, D.D. *Morioka:* Rev. W. G. Hoekje. *Aomori:* Miss M. Leila Winn. *Nagasaki:* Miss Sarah M. Couch, Mr. Anthony Walvoord. *Kagoshima:* Rev. S. W. Ryder. *Saga:* Miss H. E. Hospers. *Oita:* Rev. Albertus Pieters. *Shimonoseki:* Miss Jeane Noordhoff, Miss Evelyn Oltmans. *Kurume:* Rev. David Van Strien, Rev. Alex. Van Bronkhorst. *Fukuoka:* Miss H. M. Lansing.

Associate Missionaries.—Mrs. A. Oltmans, Mrs. A. Pieters, Mrs. D. C. Ruigh, Mrs. A. Walvoord, Mrs. W. E. Hoffsommer, Mrs. W. G. Hoekje, Mrs. David Van Strien, Mrs. S. W. Ryder, Mrs. Alex. Van Bronkhorst, Mrs. H. V. E. Stegeman.

In America.—Miss Jennie A. Pieters, Miss May Demarest, Dr. and Mrs. H. V. S. Peeke, Rev. Hubert Kuyper, Rev. and Mrs. L. J. Shafer.

Non-commissioned Associate Missionary.—*Nagasaki:* Miss Minnie Taylor.

SUMMARY OF EDUCATIONAL STATISTICAL REPORTS*
FOR THE YEAR 1917.

NAME OF SCHOOL	Teachers				Total Teachers	Students				Total	Ass't Pupils		Student Members	
	Men		Women			Boarders		Day Students			No. of	Yen per mo	Y.M.C.A.	Y.W.C.A.
	Chr.	Non-Chr.	Chr.	Non-Chr.		Chr.	Non-Chr.	Chr.	Non-Chr.					
Ferris Seminary	5	1	9		15	34	23	17	185	259	31	257	..	60
Tozan Gakuin	14	5	...		19	18	39	45	280	382	4	26	63	...
†Meiji Gakuin														
(Theo. Dept.)	4	...	...		4	13	...	...	...	13	13	175	11	...
†Baiko Jo Gakuin	2	½	5		7½	25	12	8	49	94	13	79	½	45
†Meiji Gakuin														
(Middle Dept.)	9	½	...		9½	8	8	21	200	237	...	...	...	...
†Meiji Gakuin														
(College Dept.)	5	...	...		5	11	...	4	1	16	14	202	12	...
Totals	39	7	14		60	109	82	95	715	1,001	75	739	86	105

NAME OF SCHOOL	School S.S.		Money Expended		
	No. of Students	Teachers and Officers	Japanese		From Mission Appropriation
			Fees	Gifts	
Ferris Seminary	32	3	\$6,256.00	.....	\$6,396.00
Tozan Gakuin	115	11	7,647.00	.....	9,332.16
†Meiji Gakuin (Theological Dept.) .....			.....	.....	5,638.00
†Baiko Jo Gakuin	35	2	1,561.30	.....	3,500.00
†Meiji Gakuin (College Dept.)			6,700.82	1,200.00	3,022.00
†Meiji Gakuin (College Dept.)			239.50	.....	3,500.00
Totals	182	16	\$22,404.62	\$1,200.00	\$31,388.16

†Union ½ Share.

*The usual station report was omitted this year.

REPORT FOR 1917

As all countries in the world have been changing on account of the world war, so has Japan. However much or little Japan has taken part in the conflict, she has been able to raise herself in an economic way to a position of quite commanding influence. It is even said that she is changing from a debtor nation to a creditor nation. This increase of wealth has not been evenly distributed and the newly rich as well as the crushed poor have become problems of great social seriousness.

It is, moreover, the opinion of a large group of thinking men that Japan is failing to realize the issues involved in the war, or if they are being realized they are not being made the moving force of any righteous movement such as we believe we are engaged in in prosecuting the war. It is probable that the blessings that the people of the United States will derive in a social and moral way from the war will not be realized by the people of Japan.

General satisfaction was expressed in all circles upon the completion of the Ishii-Lansing papers. Other commissions to America, educational and political, have returned and their reports have made a better setting in the minds of the Japanese for appeals of American missionaries to get a respectful hearing.

CO-OPERATIVE MOVEMENTS OF THE MISSION.

The co-operation with the Presbyterian Mission in the Meiji Gakuin in Tokyo and the Sturges Seminary in Shimono-seki has continued as usual. Likewise we have met for discussion with the Presbyterian and Reformed bodies in the Council of Missions, and with practically all the other missionary bodies in the Council of Federated Missions. Our regular contributions have been made to the Tsukiji School for Foreign Children in Tokyo, the Christian Literature Society

and the Woman's Christian University, which is expected to open its doors in April of 1918.

During the year the complete translation of the New Testament in a revised form has been published. Although this revised version has met with some criticism, yet there seems to be a unanimity of opinion that it has many points of superior merit to the one that has been in use so far, and that the appeal of the Bible will be stronger and will cover a wider range because of it.

FIRST YEAR OF THE RE-UNITED MISSION.

The missionaries on the field, as well as the Church at home, will have to get used to considering Japan as one field instead of two, and of speaking of the Mission as one Mission, with one Council determining affairs in reference to the whole country that we occupy. We are still separated into a northern and southern part as far as our work is concerned—the southern part concentrated in the Island of Kyushu, and the northern part about the cities of Tokyo and Yokohama. The southern is largely evangelistic, and the northern is chiefly educational.

EVANGELISTIC WORK

PREACHING THE WORD.

In Kyushu our Mission joined with workers of other denominations in special evangelistic services held under the auspices of Evangelist Kanamori. In Saga, we united three nights with the Lutheran Church, which shares the Saga Prefecture work with us. Meetings were prepared for by generous giving and special prayer and advertising and personal work, and the audiences which Mr. Kanamori faced with his message of the essentials of the Christian Gospel in the largest theatre of the city were unprecedented. So was the number of decisions recorded. Seventy of them became our share of the fruits. Most of these have shown little tendency to ripen. One per-

son has made definite application for baptism, a half dozen show more or less zeal in attending meetings and continuing study, and perhaps a score show some remaining interest in the church and its teachings. At Karatsu the meeting in the theatre netted sixty-eight decisions; of these several were among the fourteen who made confession of their faith during the year, thirteen of whom were baptized. For the first month after the meetings in Oita the regular church meetings showed a gain of from fifty to one hundred per cent.; but those who had been interested through Mr. Kanamori's meetings gradually fell off, and by the end of the year it was exceptional to find one of them still attending church, unless he had been already in touch with the church before the Kanamori movement took place. Yet in all of the above places follow-up work was conducted earnestly.

Preaching work has been done in many ways and has met with varying success. Mr. Van Strien and Mr. Van Bronkhorst have stood in the street the past fall, where it is usually crowded and by handing out tracts and inviting the passers-by to enter have managed to fairly fill the comparatively roomy preaching place. In addition, as the weather does not always permit this work, a song service just before the evening evangelistic sermon has been attractive to a number of young people. In Yanagawa, one of the out-stations from Kurume, when Mr. Kanamori carried on work, the principal of the Middle School forbade his students attending the meetings; but with a change came a change in the attitude of the school toward Christianity.

In a small village called Mizota, near Kurume, work centers about a physician who has not yet been baptized, but who seems to be very much interested. Shimabara, the scene of the last stand of the Christians over three hundred years ago, and for that reason considered an exceptionally hard place in which to work, has the record of the Kurume station for the number of baptisms, the number reported being five.

At Kashima, the teachers and principal of the Middle School are very friendly to the missionary, and on each visit

of his have invited him to speak, in English, to a large group of boys. Proper interpretation is provided, and no limitation of subject is even hinted at.

Imari (please remember when you handle your blue and white fine Imari china) does not respond to public preaching services, however organized. Mr. Kose and his wife are doing almost as much by their presence in the city as in any other way. At first they were not welcomed; efforts were made by neighbors to have their landlord cancel his lease. Few newspapers are read in the city, and Buddhism claims large contributions from the shop people. It might be good to try the influence of a little quiet bookshop and reading-room, open to all at stated hours daily, under the charge of the evangelist.

At Tashiro, Rev. Fukunaga has continued to labor faithfully among the Sakurajima volcano refugees in this isolated mountainous region. If measured by baptized converts, his work shows no results this year, but if measured by the influence his persevering Christian ministrations must have upon these poor and ignorant people, we know that his work is successful. As these people get their farms cleared of wood and construct more suitable dwellings and, in general, become more prosperous in material things, the intellectual and spiritual outlook is also sure to broaden as their prejudices vanish and the seed sown patiently during these first years of struggle and privation to get a new start will produce a harvest.

WOMAN'S WORK.

Among the younger women Mrs. Van Strien and Mrs. Van Bronkhorst are carrying on singing work with most interesting results. One of the singing classes is composed of girls of the girls' high school of Kurume. Meeting at the home of Mrs. Van Strien twice and sometimes three times a week the girls prepared for and sang at a Christmas service the cantata entitled, "The Birth of Christ in Song," composed by Mrs. Mennegar. For a short time it looked as if the efforts exerted were at least temporarily in vain for the Dean of the girls' dormitory refused to allow the girls to attend, and the reasons

given were three: first, the girls in the dormitory sang while doing their domestic work, and Christian songs proceeding from the dormitory of a public school proved embarrassing to the Dean; second, to a girl who had some ambitions of marriage singing while doing work about the house might prove detrimental to her hopes; third, the fact that some of the girls were being influenced toward Christian thinking was already shown by a composition which very much disturbed the equanimity of the composition teacher, who happens to be a zealous Shintoist. After some consultation, it was concluded that no longer any interference would take place on the part of the school authorities if the girls received permission from their parents, but no longer would the girls be permitted to sing while working about the dormitory.

At Kagoshima the woman's work of the city consists chiefly of a semi-monthly meeting of women at the missionary residence for a Bible address and a social time, and about a dozen women being taught the Bible in weekly lessons, individually or in small groups, at their homes. During the year over three hundred and fifty calls have been made on women at their homes. Monthly evangelistic meetings are also held at a factory in the suburbs of the city where about seventy girls with their matron have assembled for the singing of hymns and an evangelistic address.

At Aomori Miss Winn visits three hospitals and is always welcomed by the doctors and the nurses. Recently two patients sent her cards requesting her to come and tell them about the Bible and Jesus Christ.

Miss Hoppers found a splendid opening for work among the students of the Girls' High School, and has met fully sixty of them twice a month.

At Sesebo the Japanese worker has opened her home to sailors who seek a place to stop over night, and tries to make this count evangelistically. But her chief work remains calling and teaching in the homes of the officers connected with this naval port, whose wives are frequently left alone for weeks at a time, and who welcome her visits.

BIBLE CLASSES.

Bible class work may be distinguished from Sunday School work chiefly by the fact that the students in Bible classes are usually those of high school age or above. Nearly all of the missionaries have one of these, either in Japanese or in English. Mrs. Wyckoff has had three with an average attendance of about nine. Mr. Van Bronkhorst conducted one in the Post-office and one in the Sunday school, these averaging about ten; besides this both Mr. and Mrs. Van Bronkhorst taught a little in the Young Men's Christian Association. A remarkable class has been started by Mr. Van Bronkhorst in Yanagawa among the Middle School students, with an average attendance the last two months of the year of over eighty-five. After the Bible lesson, singing is taught, and if they are not reached through the English Bible some of them may be reached and touched by the singing of the hymns in Japanese. It will at least present an opening for later work. Until recently it was impossible to enter this school, but now it looks very encouraging.

A more difficult situation seems to be encountered by Mr. Van Strien in Kurume, where the English Bible class is composed of ten boys, all of whom are natives of Kurume, but only one of whom seems to take any serious interest in the meetings at the church. But at Yanagawa he received an invitation to teach English Bible to the teachers of the school. In the Bible class is one Christian who has had American training, the principal, who is a graduate of the Tokyo Higher Normal School, and seems to be very sympathetic toward the Christian teaching and also very much interested in the Bible; one Buddhist priest, who is a graduate of the Imperial University in Tokyo, and who had read many anti-Christian books but had never read the Bible nor any Christian literature; and several others who seem to be very much interested in the teaching of the Bible itself as well as in the English.

At Saga the class for girls has been encouraging. The average weekly attendance for the year has been fourteen.

One girl of this class has been baptized and several others are awaiting baptism.

Miss Winn has a few night classes with young men, but she teaches only those who will go to church, and this, of course, keeps her classes small. One splendid young man has about decided to enter the ministry after he has finished the Middle School; he is very promising and seems to have a future before him. Miss Winn always holds out the high calling of the ministry to any promising young man she teaches.

Mr. Hoekje makes sure that the students who come to him get the meaning too, for in every case he gives a lesson in the Bible in Japanese; one of the groups consists of recent graduates of the Middle Schools chiefly, and the other of students of the prefectural normal school, and all of them have attended voluntarily some of the church services, or a class for singing Gospel hymns on Saturday evenings. Miss Hospers has an unusually large Bible class of girls, fine ones, at Takeo.

One of the most important pieces of work done by Mrs. Pieters has been the holding of a teachers' meeting in the Oita Church, at which the lessons for the following Sunday are carefully gone over. The establishment of such a normal class has been repeatedly undertaken, but without success, and the fact that it is now well established under her leadership constitutes one of the notable triumphs in Oita during the year.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

To get a complete view of the Sunday School work, reference should also be made to that done in connection with Educational Institutions.

Mrs. Wyckoff seems to be having her difficulties in starting up Sunday School work in Tokyo. In Matsumoto she had had eleven with an average attendance of about fifty-five; in Tokyo the priest told the children of the No. 1 Sunday School that they must not go to her, but that they must come to him, for he would open a Sunday School at the same hour in the

temple just above and teach them writing. That school was opened and her attendance dropped from 22 to 8. Moreover, one of the teachers of the elementary school heard of Mrs. Wyckoff's school and she, too, told the children that they must not go there, promising to open a Sunday School in her own house where they would have a good time. Mrs. Wyckoff fears she must use the English bait, and change the name of the school; at the end of the year she had two schools running, having averaged 36 in attendance.

Miss Lansing was fortunate in starting her work off with an attendance of 120. At Fukushima, a town noted for its shrines, opposition has been of such nature that the evangelist under Mr. Van Strien has found it expedient to make a temporary cessation of Sunday School activities; but not far away another evangelist has been able to hold 35 children in the face of most primitive heathenism.

At Kagoshima the Tuesday Sunday School is held in a private house in the poorest part of the city, and the children are very difficult to manage—it is the most discouraging part of the Bible Woman's work. As long as the older people of the community seem to appreciate the workers having it there and claim that their children are better behaved because of it, the work seems to be worth while; the average here has been 38; in the Thursday Sunday School it has been 90. The Sunday "Sunday School" had an average weekly attendance of 108 throughout the year; a kind of club has been formed of the boys of the oldest class, which has resulted in making them better acquainted with one another and in fostering a fine class spirit. A number of stereopticon lectures with slides showing scenes from the life of Christ and temperance subjects have been given throughout the year. An occasion of much interest to all the children of the Sunday Schools was the Field Day. About 260 took part in the events.

Two Sunday Schools were kept up by Miss Couch's helper during Miss Couch's absence, but the attendance was less than the previous year. Miss Winn has six neighborhood schools and gives the Gospel to about 400 children weekly.

The Arita Sunday School was the climax for disorder, but has become better, now that Miss Hospers and her helper have taken charge. There are about 60 regular attendants now, but it is still a Sunday School in the raw.

With the help she has Mrs. Pieters conducts four Sunday Schools for which she is wholly responsible, while she is very active also in the one in the Oita church. All of these enterprises were in a flourishing condition at the end of the year. At Usuki the place is crowded every Sunday; parents beg to have their children taken in, a request with which it is often difficult to comply, simply because every inch of floor space is already taken. At Sayeki the attendance decreased from 117 in 1916 to 13 in 1917, due to the removal of the former preacher at the end of 1916 and to the fact that the place had no resident evangelist for the greater part of last year. In no other form of Christian work is the personal element so important, and its reasonable continuity is essential to success. The total attendance record of Oita is 438.

Comparison with the statistics of a year ago shows a decrease in attendance in some places. This is due in part to the adoption of a new rule by the Mission, according to which the figures for the "number of Sunday School scholars." are to be based upon the actual average attendance and not on the enrollment, or on the highest average for any one month, as hitherto.

At the end of January a well-attended, enthusiastic, and in every way successful Sunday School Teachers' Institute was held at Oita, in conjunction with the Methodist and Episcopal churches. No doubt the effect on the quality of the teaching work done during the year was excellent, even though the figures reported do not indicate any resulting prosperity.

Newspaper Work and Results.

The work which Mr. Pieters started a few years ago in the way of advertising in the newspapers the essentials of Christian truth has developed into a correspondence course

and into branch societies. Concerning these Mr. Pieters reports as follows:

"The work of newspaper evangelization has been carried on along the same general lines as hitherto. It is attracting more and more attention from students of missionary methods, and two or three other enterprises, modelled upon the same basis, have already been started in different parts of the Empire. Others are in contemplation.

"The number of applications for literature is considerably smaller than in 1916, being 961 to 1,351 in that year, but it is larger than in 1915. The book sales show an increase, reaching more than two hundred and fifty yen. Including the literature given free of charge, the total amount of literature distributed and sold in our Oita Ken work during 1917 is Yen 916.77.

"The reading club has continued its good work, and the amount of fees paid in by members for the privilege of borrowing and reading Christian books was Yen 107, as against Yen 87 the previous year, although the number of books sent out on request was only 779, to 910 in 1916."

THE CORRESPONDENCE COURSE.

The establishment of a system of correspondence instruction in Christian truth is an important item of the year's work. Such work was done more or less in previous years, but it was not until the year under review that it was fully organized and proceeded in a systematic and satisfactory manner. The method is this: Persons desiring to be baptized sign a form of application, binding themselves faithfully to take whatever course of instruction is laid down for them. Thereupon they receive a copy of a catechism and the first few weeks of the printed lessons in the Correspondence Course. This requires them to memorize a portion of the catechism daily and to look up the indicated Scripture references. In cases of special difficulty explanatory notes are added. At the end of each week the student sends in answers to certain examination

questions, which are corrected, graded, and returned to him, with further work to be done. The entire course requires honest work for twenty to thirty minutes every day for seventeen weeks.

Thirty-four students registered in this course during the year, of whom one left the country when only half through, ten graduated, eleven withdrew, and the rest were pursuing their studies at the end of the year. Most of the students are candidates for baptism, but two or three cases have occurred of earnest Christian men and women becoming interested and registering themselves as students in this course in order to get a clearer and more systematic knowledge of Christian truth.

The catechism used is entitled, "A Catechism for Candidates for Baptism." The original was a little catechism for children, published at Richmond, Virginia, in 1840, translated into Japanese in the early days of our Mission and found very useful. It was thoroughly revised, and about one third new matter was added. It was published by the Keiseisha Publishing Company, in Tokyo. The company has printed three editions of one thousand copies each, and has sold 2,450 copies during the year.

Such insistence upon thorough preparation for baptism has, of course, had the effect of reducing the number reported as received upon confession of faith. The missionary in charge received during the year twenty-one formal applications for baptism, but only eleven of these applicants were baptized.

BRANCH SOCIETY WORK.

The report of this Station for 1916 stated that a beginning had been made with a very important new departure in the form of little groups of people supplied with literature which enables them to hold regular church services without the presence of a minister.

The year began with two societies of this kind: one at Mori, in Kusu County, and the other at Inukai, in Ohno County. The third society was organized on September 27th,

at Takada, in Nishi Kunizaki County, and the fourth on October 14th, at Miyato, in Naoiri County. Thus four of the twelve counties in this prefecture are now supplied with our societies.

The Branch at Miyato has not prospered, owing to the early removal of the most earnest member, the extreme age of the leader (79), and the scattered condition of the membership. Nevertheless, there were two baptisms during the year among the people of that group, and at the close of the year three others, candidates for baptism, were taking the Correspondence Course. From October 14th, when the Branch was organized, until the end of the year, they held nine meetings, with an average attendance of three and two-thirds.

The Branch at Takada has a very different constituency, containing several old (and cold!) Christians. This society reports nine meetings held from September 27th to the close of the year, with an average attendance of seven. This place is more accessible than Miyato, and hence this Branch has been frequently visited by the itinerating evangelist. The work is small, and some of the elements are unpromising, but the place is an important one, and on the whole, the prospects here are good.

The Branch at Inukai has not done well. Until the middle of March the average attendance was eight, but after that it fell to three, the said three being invariably the leader, his wife, and one other faithful member. These, however, kept up the meetings with admirable perseverance, and the record shows fifty meetings held during the year, so that they missed but two Sundays. This place is also easily reached from Oita by rail, and hence has enjoyed more help.

In the latter part of the year a Sunday school was established at Inukai under the supervision of Mrs. Pieters, and the pastor of the Oita Church has undertaken to visit the place twice a month, so that it is now an out-post of Oita Church. As this does not supply a Sunday service, however, the meetings on that day by the aid of the Branch Society organization are kept up. Three persons were baptized in connection with this work in December.

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The Branch at Mori has had an admirable record, and goes far to prove the complete success of the method as such, where earnest and faithful people undertake to use it. The place is so remote from Oita and the means of communication are so imperfect that visits by missionaries or evangelists can year, missing four Sundays, with an average attendance of take place only occasionally. Five such visits are recorded during the year. This society held 48 meetings during the eight. Three persons were baptized here.

It has seemed worth while to pay so much attention to the matter of these Branch Societies because this method contains the possibility of a partial solution of the problem of supplying isolated communities with the regular preaching of the Gospel. Hitherto the only way in which work could be begun in a place was by the residence there of an evangelist, or, at least, by regular visits from such a worker, but it would be evidently impossible to supply the entire country with such visits. In the above places excellent results have been obtained without these helps. The baptisms reported from these little groups stand in happy contrast to the record of some places where we have had resident evangelists for years, such as Hiji, Usa, and Sayeki. In these places it has often happened that a year has passed, sometimes two or three years have passed, without a single conversion.

In addition to the places thus organized, the weekly sermons are used also in a few other places by Christian men in their own homes, inviting the members of their families and their neighbors to join them. The most remarkable case of this kind is in Kagoshima Prefecture, in an island county called Ohshima. From this place we have reports of three meetings during December, with an average attendance of eighteen.

Altogether, the reports of this kind of work show that on the average the aggregate number of persons attending Sunday service with the aid of these sermons, who would otherwise have no opportunity of enjoying church privileges, is upwards of thirty-five each Lord's Day. This is a larger

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number than assemble in the ordinary Sunday morning service in the most prosperous of our Oita Ken congregations.

OTHER WORK USING THE PRINTED PAGE.

Mr. Hoekje, by means of brief advertisements inserted in three papers for ten times in each during March or May, got into touch with above two hundred people who indicated their desire to study Christianity. An effort was made to introduce all of them to the nearest evangelist, and a few of them are attending services regularly. Many are too far from churches to do that, and others are engaged in occupations which allow them no leisure.

Mr. Ryder has kept in touch with his inquirers by correspondence and especially by sending regularly every month about one hundred copies of the little monthly Christian paper, the "Truthseeker," which he has published especially for this country work. A special Christmas edition for the children was printed and a copy given to each of the children in his Sunday School work, as well as to the adults.

"An additional feature of our work," he says, "has been the opening of an evangelistic office in the busy part of the city. In connection with this office there is a Christian reading-room open to the public and a loan library of Christian books. From this office tracts are sent to country people and here conferences are held with people who are often reluctant to come to one's house. If funds were available for advertising in the city papers which have a large circulation among the country people of this prefecture, doubtless a large following of inquirers would soon result. The reading-room is well patronized and several have expressed their appreciation of it. Christians bring friends whom they wish to interest in Christianity, and by giving them suitable tracts or lending them books from the loan library, their interest is aroused. People passing along the street stop and read the tracts, changed from time to time, which are displayed in a glass sign and come in and find something to interest them.

A list of the books in the loan library is circulated among

the country people, and they, too, borrow books, paying a small monthly fee towards postage, etc."

Miss Couch and Miss Tomegawa during their stay in America, were able to keep up the publication of their little monthly paper by sending manuscript for it. It was a great pleasure to thus keep in touch with those they were trying to help back in Japan. The contributions from Japanese for the two months after their return amounted to more than for the previous ten months of the year.

GENERAL CONDITION OF THE CHURCHES.

We have no real churches as yet, for the Church of Christ in Japan, the Japanese body with whom we work and toward which our efforts tend, will not allow any congregation to be organized as a "church" until it is entirely self-supporting, but we call our provisional organizations "churches" for the lack of a better term.

In Oita station the best thing to report for 1917 is that forty-six persons were received during the year on confession of faith, the largest number hitherto received in a single year being thirty-three. The total enrolled membership has risen from 196 at the close of 1916 to 232, but very remarkably the number reported for "resident members" is precisely the same as the year before. This is due in part to removals, and in part to the increasing influence of the newspaper evangelization work, as a result of which people become Christians and receive baptism even in places remote from the churches. Such converts are registered as members of the nearest church, but that may be many miles away. For the same reason the church attendance shows but a six per cent. increase. Of the seven churches, two may be called in good condition, one fair, and the others poor, if not lamentable. The favorable showing in Oita is due, under the blessing of God, to the comparatively large number of Mission workers and superior equipment concentrated there. It is encouraging to find that such concentration of effort is not in vain.

A very encouraging fact in the year's record is that the Mission has been able to pay off twenty-five hundred yen on the Oita church property, leaving only a trifle over four hundred yen to be paid. When this is done we shall be in full ownership of a very desirable property, the first to be acquired in Oita Prefecture. The same need exists elsewhere, and it is our duty in this report to call attention as every year hitherto, to this as one of the great needs of the hour. The total contributions for the year in Oita Prefecture, in our work, passed nine hundred yen for the first time. The average increase per year in this respect for the last five or six years has been one hundred yen, which supplies us with courage to hope that we are after all making solid, if slow progress. The amount contributed by the churches amounts now to about fifteen per cent. of the entire cost of the local church work.

Mr. Van Strien has had the privilege of baptizing several since he went down South. One of those is a blind teacher in the School for the Blind, and he shows his newly found joy by bringing a number of his blind students to the services with him.

The church at Sasebo passed during the year from the care of the Mission to the ranks of the churches called self-supporting. There were thirteen baptisms in Sasebo before the organization of the church, and these may therefore be counted in the statistics for the year as direct fruit of the work of the Mission. In connection with the church's advance toward self-support, an arrangement was made with their pastor for the carrying on of evangelistic work in the neighboring islands, for which he is to receive from the Mission a suitable fee. This arrangement has been continued since the organization of the church, with the consent of its officers, who grant their pastor the necessary time to engage in this work. This church is paying its pastor thirty-eight yen, which is the same as he had been getting from the Mission.

FAREWELL TO THE NORTHERN FIELDS.

Mr. Hoekje writes from Morioka: "The evangelistic work of the Mission in Iwate and Aomori prefectures came from January 1st, 1918, under the care of the Japan Mission of the Reformed Church in the United States. This Mission has, like our own, long been one of the Missions co-operating with the Church of Christ in Japan. It has developed a strong educational work at Sendai, midway between Tokyo and Aomori, including schools for girls, boys, students in theology, and Bible Women. About this city as a center, with its graduates as workers, it has organized an expanding evangelistic work. Another era of expansion for this work is now at hand.

"When our Missions in Japan were united, we looked forward to developing intensively our evangelistic field in Kyushu. We expected to retain our other fields, at least until we found others willing to receive them, and able to give them at least as good care as they had enjoyed with us. Knowing, however, of our sister Mission's hope for expansion of territory, negotiations were entered upon early in the year, looking forward to the transfer of our northernmost fields to her hands. Discussion and conference gradually showed that this was the direction in which the best interests of both Missions led; and ere long the Boards were petitioned for approval of the plan. Their approval of the terms of transfer came during the summer, with the stipulation that the actual transfer should have effect from January 1st, 1918.

"Among the conditions of transfer were, the remaining on the field of the evangelists in our employ; the gift of the properties used by the churches to the receiving Mission; the purchase by the Board of the receiving Mission of the missionary residences in Morioka and Aomori; the promise of the receiving Mission to keep a male missionary in the evangelistic work of this field; and the promise of the transferring Mission to loan a fully equipped missionary for the oversight of the work for two full years, in order to allow the

receiving Board to secure the reinforcement needed. The receiving Board on its part gladly undertakes to finance the work in the field from January 1st.

"Mr. Kuyper was in charge of this district until his departure on furlough in October. From that time Mr. Hoekje was placed in charge, continuing to reside in Saga, however, until the beginning of the new year, which coincides with the beginning of the new relations of the field. Since the missionary in charge has not been resident on the field during the year, except that he enjoyed an itinerary of ten days in September, it is not possible to give a detailed report of the conditions in the various outstations. However, there have without exception been baptisms; and though the usual special meetings were impossible in most of the places, the regular services and Sunday schools have been faithfully conducted by the evangelists in charge.

IWATE PREFECTURE-MORIOKA STATION.

"Ichinoseki has enjoyed another year under the devoted leadership of Rev. and Mrs. S. Sato. An interesting feature is the holding of four prosperous Sunday School meetings for children on weekdays in towns and villages near at hand. In this work Mr. Kurokawa, a recent graduate of the Meiji Gakuin, assisted during the summer. The work has continued to receive the good will of teachers in the schools, and to attract students.

"Miyako, also on the Pacific, can now be reached in one day, during the summer and fall months, by automobile from Morioka. Mr. Sasaki has in his isolation held the usual services, and had two flourishing weekly meetings for children, besides occasional meetings for children and adults in other places.

"Hizume has, at the close of the year, once more become an outpost of the Morioka pastor. During the early months of the year, Mr. Ishikawa served here. Audiences were small. For the fall months, Mr. Kurokawa served the place, holding three weekly meetings for the children in as many places.

He also prepared one young woman for baptism. Upon his entering the barracks, the field was looked after from Morioka, with children's meeting every week, and preaching twice a month. Good audiences were reported.

"Pastor Ito has spent his ninth year at Morioka. The church progresses little by little toward self-support. It is encouraging to see the large number of men, young and older, who assemble in the Sunday morning congregation. Miss Ueno, who assists in the excellent Sunday School, with five other teachers, holds three other meetings for children regularly as well.

"Mr. Igarashi has been able to hold the fort in conservative, disapproving Fukuoka. He visits Ichinohe and Kintaichi regularly, and finds Christians and inquirers in each place, who need encouragement and reminders of God's grace. It is gratifying to have in this town a rented preaching place in a location that helps to call attention to the fact that Christianity has come to stay.

AOMORI PREFECTURE-AOMORI STATION.

"Hirosaki is a Methodist stronghold in the north, but being a city and a military and educational center, offers an interesting field to other denominations as well. Mr. Yamamoto had an excellent foothold, and a number of interesting inquirers. Since his departure, Mr. Owa makes weekly visits from Aomori, and reports audiences of sixteen or eighteen, with a resident membership of three or four.

"There is nothing to discourage in the conditions or prospects of these fields. Mr. Kuyper is to be congratulated not only upon the statesmanlike manner in which he began to work out his plans for the occupation of the territory, but also for the loyalty to the Mission which he was able to inspire in the workers associated with him. There are rich opportunities for service here, for the missionary and the Japanese worker who are willing to work hard, pray through, stay by the stuff, and endure physical hardship if need demand

for the Gospel's sake. The story of our Mission's relations to these fields has not been one of failure, except as to occupation of the land. May it be the privilege of the succeeding Mission to enter more completely into possession of the opportunities and gathering of the fruit."

Miss Winn's work in this field has already been noted elsewhere in this report.

FAREWELL TO THE SHINSHU FIELD.

The Shinshu field has been transferred to the Church of Christ in Japan.

Dr. Oltmans reports regarding the work: "The work at Nagano was considerably hampered by the dissatisfaction of a number of church people with the evangelist in charge. The party spirit was aroused and ran high, so that some members even left the church. It was deemed best to detach the evangelist from the place and as the Mission had no other place for him he was asked to resign, which he did in the autumn. Since then the church has been without a pastor.

"Kami Suwa has continued in charge of evangelist Nishiyama, and has well maintained itself in the different branches of work. Mr. Nishiyama has gone with the work into the service of the Domestic Board of Missions of the Church of Christ in Japan.

"It is sincerely hoped that the giving up of so much of our work here in North Japan in order to concentrate our evangelistic efforts in Kyushu may truly prove a wise step and for the good of the work of the Kingdom in Japan as a whole, but the giving up is not done without a sigh."

Dr. Ballagh writes: "My report may be condensed into a few sentences. Chiefly prayer, correspondence and solicitude for the spiritual welfare of professed believers, and for the success of the evangelistic workers. The agitations caused by the transference of two of our oldest and most advanced fields to other caretakers has been a trying experiment to both the missionaries and workers engaged therein."

Izu Field.

The Izu field, apart from the cities of Tokyo and Yokohama, is the only evangelistic field left in the northern part of Japan. Dr. Oltmans says of the work in Izu:

"In Kashiwakubo Mr. Kurihara has remained in charge of the work and has labored with his accustomed zeal, notwithstanding his physical drawbacks. As always he has been scrupulous in the discharge of his duties, but the visible results have been meagre. The continuance of the work under such limitations is a serious question for consideration.

"At Mishima the church has had the continued services of the Rev. Inagaki, now perhaps the oldest Protestant pastor in active service in Japan, i. e., as far as years of service is concerned. He has fully earned honorable retirement with a pension, but as yet the Mission has no provision for that sort of thing, though we are hoping to get it soon.

"At Gotemba the Rev. Sonobe has continued to do good work both in the town itself and in the surrounding district, both at the regular church and at the evangelistic hall near the railroad. The latter is especially used for tens of thousands of pilgrims who climb Fuji mountain in the months of July and August."

EDUCATIONAL WORK

STUDENT SUPPORT.

The entire matter of Student Support is administered, under the new rules, by a single standing committee. Besides supporting students in each of our four schools, the Mission has during the year extended support to nine others, studying in five schools. Two of these were looking forward to the ministry, and taking a shorter course, for special reasons, than the Meiji Gakuin provides in its regular courses; four were being trained for service as Bible Women; and three were in training for service as teachers in our schools. In its teacher training the Mission insists on contracts providing for the repayment within a few years of all scholarship sums

received, even if working in our own schools. During the year one young man who had received such training entered upon his duties in Steele Academy, and has given excellent satisfaction. Two of the young women also completed their courses, and are doing splendid work as Bible Women.

From the assisted pupils at Ferris Seminary and Sturges Seminary the Mission secures many of its assistants in the work for women and children conducted by its lady missionaries. There were four or five such cases during the year. Assistance to girls in schools of this grade is not only with the preparation of workers in view, however. Rather, since even in Japan of today young women are given far less opportunity for education than young men receive, the effort has been to contribute something, by selection of worthy candidates, to the cause of women's education, and the development of an intelligent Christian womanhood for the sake of a strong Christian church. Our share in this has been thirty girls in Ferris and thirteen in Sturges during the year.

There are no supported students in the Middle Department of the Meiji Gakuin, and only four in Steele Academy, one of whom is preparing himself for the ministry, and wished first to complete his Middle School course. We expect henceforth to limit student support in Steele to those special cases of young men, seriously intending to enter the ministry, who are unable to complete the last year or two of this grade of study without assistance.

Nineteen students in the higher and Theological departments of the Meiji Gakuin received support during the year as students for the ministry. Two were graduated in June, one of whom is in service as an evangelist in Kyushu, and the other of whom has begun a two years' term of military service. Two others committed so serious moral indiscretions during the year that they were asked to discontinue their studies. Such cases are disappointing; but they show also the great need of sympathy and prayer for these young men, preparing themselves for Christian service, surrounded by temptations, and bound by social conditions which do not

further them in their purpose. Another of our students, in another school, left us at the close of the year because he had lost faith in the conservative theology of the Apostles Creed. Japan has temptations intellectual as well as physical.

FERRIS SEMINARY.

Dr. Booth writes: "An absence of a year and a half from the scenes of one's normal activities puts one out of touch with the rapid moving of things Japanese, for in Galileo's historic phrase, 'The world does move,' even in the Orient. The furlough-existence followed in the homeland has, undoubtedly, recuperative and recreational advantages for the tired schoolmaster, and he returns to the old routine life with renewed zeal and hopeful courage to attack again the unsolved problems of his vocation. His horizon has been broadened by contact and fellowship with leaders of Christian work in the home land, the inspirational value of which cannot be overrated, and he is made to feel, that after all he is at least a 'cog' in the wonderful, divinely appointed mechanism which has for its purpose the uplifting of mankind, and that the efficiency of its working depends, relatively upon how he functions at the place where he is put.

"Returning to Japan on the 6th day of November, 1917, without the companionship of her, who had, heretofore, always accompanied me, and who, for nearly two score years had been my inspiration, my faithful co-worker, my joy and comfort, my feelings can be better imagined than described. However, the members of the Mission, old friends and acquaintances proved to be most kind and considerate and in many ways helpful. Especially the wide circle of Japanese, who knew and loved Mrs. Booth, has made it evident to me that they sincerely share with me the great sorrow that has entered into my life, and I am truly grateful for the human sympathy that has been so kindly bestowed upon me.

"An expression of deep appreciation is due Miss Kuyper and her associates, who have had to shoulder the extra burden

in our absence, and have carried on the work here so successfully. The loyalty, fidelity, and earnestness of the members of the Japanese staff, have been all that could be desired.

"The Work of the School: The apparent interest of the pupils is in a degree satisfactory. In a school, however, as in a living organism, there is always room for improvement and growth, and our watchword is FORWARD to the attainment of the best things in all departments of our endeavor. Above all we long for the awakening of a keener sense of the spiritual life in ourselves, our associates and in our pupils, that shall bring forth, in abundance, the fruits of the Spirit."

Miss Kuyper, who acted as principal during the absence of Dr. Booth, reports the following: "The year in Ferris Seminary, while uneventful and with but little besides the regular routine work to report, has been overshadowed by the sorrow that has come to us in the passing away of Mrs. Booth. The Welcome meeting, for which already early and eager preparations had been made, gave place to a Memorial Meeting. From members of the Alumnæ, teachers and pupils were brought the most tender tributes of love and respect as testimonials to the life of faithful and loving service Mrs. Booth had for thirty-six years devoted to Ferris Seminary.

"Dr. Booth's return and resuming his work in November was a matter of great satisfaction to all. Miss Hayashi, returning from her year's visit in America, found a most hearty welcome awaiting her.

"With the exception of the science teacher, all the teachers are Christians.

"The school year closed in March; four were graduated from the Higher Course, three of whom, being supported pupils, became assistants to missionaries in evangelistic work. Three graduating from the English Normal Course, entered the Higher Course in April. Seventeen graduated from the Grammar Course.

"The school year opened in April with seventy new pupils, bringing the enrollment up to 255, an increase of 23 over the

preceding year. This increase in attendance has had a proportionately favorable effect upon the income of the school in increasing the amount of tuition fees.

"The advance in prices of food supplies, fuel and labor has made a raise in the price of board necessary; a further raise will soon have to be added. This, however, has not caused us the loss of a single dormitory pupil.

"There has been an admirable spirit in the dormitory life. This was especially seen in the sense of responsibility felt by the older girls which led them to hold monthly meetings, of their own initiative, for consultation as to ways and means of making the dormitory an ideal home for all. They adopted some excellent rules for their own conduct.

"In October the most severe typhoon experienced in many years struck the east coast of Japan and with its greatest fury the Tokyo-Yokohama region, and with the tidal wave accompanying it did much damage everywhere. On the school compound, too, trees, fences and roofs suffered considerable damage. After much delay, due to scarcity of labor, all was repaired. The painting of the buildings now going on and soon to be finished is giving the school a much improved appearance.

"Eight neighborhood Sunday schools have been carried on, with an average attendance of 240. These children met together for the Christmas celebration in our school chapel on December 22nd. A program given by the children and a talk by one of the teachers led up to what was for the children the climax of interest—the distribution of oranges and presents and of special rewards for those who had been faithful in attendance throughout the year. The entire cost of the fruit and gifts was covered by voluntary contributions from pupils and teachers in the school.

"In November, the girls gave a little concert in the School, to which no one from outside was invited, and at which a collection was taken up for the Sunday School Christmas expenses and for city charity work. As the Sunday School expenses were largely met from personal gifts among

the girls, there remained twenty yen for charity work. With this rice tickets were bought which the girls distributed together with tracts among some of the most destitute in the city.

"The leading Japanese newspaper in the city, following its usual custom of doing something special for the poor of the city at New Year's time and asking schoolgirls to assist, this year gave material for 300 children's kimonos; these were all made by the schoolgirls of the city, our girls making thirty of them.

"One evening a week has been devoted by the dormitory pupils to war relief work—some rolling bandages, others sewing or knitting. This has totalled considerable work accomplished.

"The summer conference of the Young Women's Christian Association met in two sections last summer; one at Kobe and the other at Sendai, at both of which our branch had a total representation of nine. All gave enthusiastic reports of the help and inspiration the meetings had been to them.

"During the year nine have received baptism and several others have expressed their decision to be Christians but have been hindered for various reasons from making public confession of their faith."

Miss Moulton, our music teacher, writes: "During the past year the pupils in my Bible, composition, and reading classes have shown much interest in their studies. The music pupils, of whom there are forty, have, for the most part, done faithful work, and consequently are making good progress.

"At the beginning of the school year their voices were naturally untrained and not particularly musical, but with patience and perseverance on the part of their teachers wonders were wrought on the new pupils and much to their delight they were able to join in the choruses at the Christmas exercises.

"Our Sunday School has an average attendance of thirty-five, four of whom professed their faith in Christ and were baptized the Sunday before Christmas. Six of the pupils were presented with medals by the Japanese Sunday School

Association for regular attendance. In the appeals for help that came to the Sunday School at Christmas time, they, with one accord, responded gladly and sent a contribution of fifteen yen from their weekly collections taken during the year."

Miss Jeannette Oltmans writes: "I have been pleased to note a great improvement in the application of several of my pupils in their class work and in others, through personal conversations, a spiritual enthusiasm and a desire to live daily an humble, helpful, Christian life.

"The senior class, graduating last spring, had four members. Of these girls, two are now in evangelistic work; the third, a girl who has always been excellent in class work, has been kept in school as one of the teachers; and the fourth returned to the school this fall in the capacity of personal teacher for Miss Kuyper and myself.

"The three normal course graduates of last spring have returned and are enrolled as regular members of the Middle Class in the Higher Department. The class to graduate from the regular department this spring has a membership of nineteen girls. It is a class whose record has been good, several of its members having done specially praiseworthy work. The class, as a whole, has been marked by a spirit of earnest attention to its lessons and an endeavor to improve all English branches.

"Last spring I began visiting neighborhood Sunday Schools with some of the schoolgirls. The children who come to these schools are of the poorer class, little ragamuffins, with babies on their backs and small brothers and sisters following in their wake. They are rather unruly, but sing the hymns with enthusiasm and listen to the Bible stories with apparent attention, as some answer the questions put to them intelligently. May these small beginnings have big results!"

STURGES SEMINARY.

Miss Noordhoff, our senior missionary at Sturges, reports the following: "Our school has enjoyed a year of blessing

and growth by the grace of God. The number of students has increased to 185 in the past year and about 33 per cent. of these are Christians. Though this is the actual enrollment the average attendance is much smaller, as there are a large number of Sewing, Cooking, and Music pupils who do not attend regularly. These are the ones who are hard to reach, hence our percentage of Christians is greatly reduced. All the teachers in the school are Christians, except one.

"All the foreign ladies teach in the Sunday School held in the school chapel. As there is a large class of Sturges students and a few also from the Government school, Miss Noordhoff has taken a class in the church Sunday School. There are three street Sunday Schools under the supervision of the missionaries, and in these and in the church Sunday School fourteen students of the school are teaching regularly. The street Sunday Schools average about 130.

"We have been called upon to mourn the loss of one of our pupils. She was baptized in the Spring and made a beautiful confession of faith both by word of mouth and by the life of faith and patience she showed during the months she spent on her sick bed, and her classmates and friends will not easily forget what belief in our Lord and Saviour did for their friend. 'Though dead she still speaketh' to them as to her family.

"The Christian Endeavor Society continues to be the strong Christianizing factor in the school, giving the girls practical evidences of what the Lord has done for its members. A year ago they formed a work society with the object of earning some money to help the church in this city, and last fall at the dedication services they were able to give Yen 150.00 toward the new building. At the Christmas giving service, they gave another Yen 25.00 for the same purpose, making a very neat little sum for such a small society to raise in such a short time.

"The Christmas service this year took the form of the White Christmas. After the pageant and the other exercises of the program, the girls brought forward their free-will offer-

ings and we were surprised to find that the total sum of all gifts was Yen 115.67 or about \$58.00. These were all gifts offered freely as classes or individuals for different purposes, such as the work of the Board of Domestic Missions, work among lepers, the poor of this city, and the orphan asylum. The offering of the audience went to the women and children in war-stricken countries. It has only been these past two years that our principal has had the courage to ask the audience to take part in giving something to those more unfortunate than themselves, such as the Belgians and Armenians, and perhaps rightly so, as the large proportion of the audience were not Christians and some of them were present for the first time at a Christian gathering, but when we think that this year we as a school were able to give to the Lord for various lines of work the above sums certainly we have a right to be thankful to God for His grace in teaching these people how to give.

"Another interesting meeting held at Sturges this year was the observance of Luther's anniversary. This was in charge of the fifth-year class and they certainly did well, each one in turn giving a short talk on some phase of his life and work. This class studies Bible history in its course in Bible and they showed that they understood well what Luther had done for the world. Especially sweet was the singing of Luther's Cradle Song as a solo by one of the girls at the close of her talk on the home life of Luther.

"We close the year with thankful hearts to Him who has helped us in the difficulties that came to us, and pray for further strength to go on, asking the prayers of all those who love the Lord and His work that we may go on to greater and better results in His work.

"As in former years I have had the pleasure of conferring with the school girls in their requests for material with which to do summer work, such as **Sunday Schools in their home towns**. The responses have been as usual, some were disappointed, some were rejoiced at the outcome. One of the girls who was most discouraged at her first effort a year ago

came back and said that the Buddhist schools which had opposed her so much the year before that she had to give up were all closed this year and that her pupils came back and she had a flourishing Sunday School of about thirty-five every week. Another who held hers in the Buddhist temple yard the year before came back happy because so many of the same children returned to her school to hear more of the Gospel. Not only that, but her father who had been a drinking man had stopped his wine and was trying to convert his old cronies to the same thing. Upon being asked whether her father had ever spoken of receiving baptism, she said, 'Yes, but it is a good many miles to a town where there is a worker or an evangelist, so he has not yet gone to any church.' The seed is sown in many places but no one is there to reap. 'How shall they hear?'

"Thus we have a number of things to be thankful for this year and we go on gladly into the new year, knowing that He who helped us to the end of our tasks this year and all former years will again help and bless. We sincerely ask the prayers of all the church at home upon this work and these workers that we may go on to greater things for the Lord."

Miss Evelyn Oltmans reports: "I find the school has a splendid religious atmosphere—the girls seem always willing and glad to lead and take part in any of the meetings. Every Monday the Young Women's Christian Association has its meeting. The attendance is voluntary. About two-thirds of the pupils are members, and all others are urged to attend. On Thursday morning is the weekly school prayer meeting, led by the teachers and the girls. This meeting all the pupils are urged to attend, which they generally do.

"On Sunday morning the girls in the dormitory, about sixty in all, meet for Sunday School services in the chapel. The classes are all taught by the matron in the dormitory and the foreign teachers. My class is the third year and these girls I teach in Japanese. The fourth and fifth year pupils are taught in English. On Sunday morning is the regular

church service, to which the girls march in a body. The girls are often asked to sing a hymn during the service, and their sweet, young voices are always a pleasure to listen to.

"Sunday evenings the dormitory girls meet in one of the large class rooms for a quiet service. These meetings are led by the foreign teachers, who take turn about. And once a month we have a missionary topic, which the girls always seem to enjoy very much.

"Miss Noordhoff and I each have a street Sunday School which is held Sunday afternoons. The girls do the teaching, and we simply supervise and see that order is maintained, and things run smoothly. Both street Sunday Schools met at the school on the 22nd of December for their Christmas program. The children took part in songs and speeches, and a talk was given by one of our lady teachers—the one who so ably translated 'Pollyanna' into Japanese. Then inexpensive toys and cakes were given each child."

STEELE ACADEMY.

Steele Academy reports a very successful year. There are three private schools in the city, and keen competition, but all the students that could be accommodated were obtained, and during the month of April the enrollment reached 386, which was the highest enrollment in the history of the school. The last year marked the completion of the second dormitory at a cost of about Yen 6,000, which was collected during Mr. Walvoord's furlough in 1912. Another improvement of the year was the tearing down and erection on another site of the exercise shed. This makes room for a tennis court, which has been greatly needed by the boys. The spiritual life of the Academy is in a healthy condition, 14 boys having united with the church last year. There has also been a growing interest in the Sunday School, with an increased attendance, the enrollment having reached 137.

MEIJI GAKUIN.

The following account of the Fortieth Anniversary appeared in the 'Japan Evangelist' for December, 1917: "On November third, Founder's Day of Meiji Gakuin, the institution celebrated its fortieth anniversary. Strictly speaking, Meiji Gakuin, as such, is only thirty-one years old, for it was in 1886 that the present organization was accomplished by the merging of two older institutions. These were the Union Theological School, formerly located in Tsukiji, Tokyo, and founded in 1877, and the Tokyo Union College, founded in 1883, and also located in Tsukiji. The Tokyo Union College was itself an institution formed by the merging of two schools. These were a school founded by Mr. Jno. Ballagh in 1875 and located at first in Yokohama and later in Tokyo, and the Sen Shi Gakko founded by Dr. Wyckoff in Yokohama in 1881. It should also be said that while the Union Theological School, which has become the Theological Department of Meiji Gakuin, was not founded as such until 1877, the first body of students that entered this institution had been receiving instruction in classes held in the home of Dr. S. R. Brown ever since 1872. In fact, these classes though not organized as a school, were to all intents and purposes a real school having three or four regular teachers. Judged by the results they were more productive than many regular schools of today, for they had enrolled such men as Drs. Uemura and Ibuka and a number of nobles who later made their names as leading statesmen of the Meiji era. Thus in a very real sense Meiji Gakuin Fortieth Anniversary should have been called the Forty-fifth Anniversary.

"The forenoon was taken up with a ceremony held in the chapel and which was attended by a goodly number of friends and representatives from the Government, Christian institutions and other Christian bodies. Near the close of the program a special recognition was extended to eight men who had served the institution fifteen years or more. These were Mr. John Ballagh, Dr. Wm. Imbrie, Dr. Ibuka, Mr.

Landis, Mr. Kumano, Mr. Kasai, Mr. Okami, and Mr. Miyachi. Of these Mr. Ballagh had served the longest, having been connected with the institution from its beginning and having been the founder of one of the schools that were merged when Meiji Gakuin was organized on its present basis.

"At noon luncheon was served to the guests, and early in the afternoon began an interesting program of field sports which continued until sunset and which was attended by over 2,000 visitors. In the evening an Alumni banquet was held at the Shiba Sanentei at which about eighty were present. At this meeting plans were laid which look towards a more effective co-operation between the alumni and the school authorities for the extension of the usefulness of the Meiji Gakuin."

The Middle Department (corresponding roughly to the High School in the United States) has had the largest attendance in its history, the number reaching 473. The College Department, which has largely been a preparatory school for the Theological Seminary, has added this year an English Normal Course. The work of the Seminary has been weakened by the loss by sickness of one of the regular instructors who has fallen a victim, as so many of our trained men do, to the dread disease of tuberculosis. One of the students died during the year, but his life on his sick bed was of such strength that the whole family are now earnest students of Christianity and the mother has already been baptized. The father of one of the students who had died sent in Yen 300.00 in memory of his son. A neighbor has given in memory of his former wife the sum of Yen 2,000.00 to be used for athletic purposes.

An encouraging activity in musical lines has been aroused by an enthusiastic teacher, and the College and Seminary students have given two very creditable public performances, assisted by outside talent. They filled the chapel both times with paid admissions. The flood caused by the typhoon and tidal wave of November caused so much distress in the outskirts of Tokyo that our College and Seminary students were

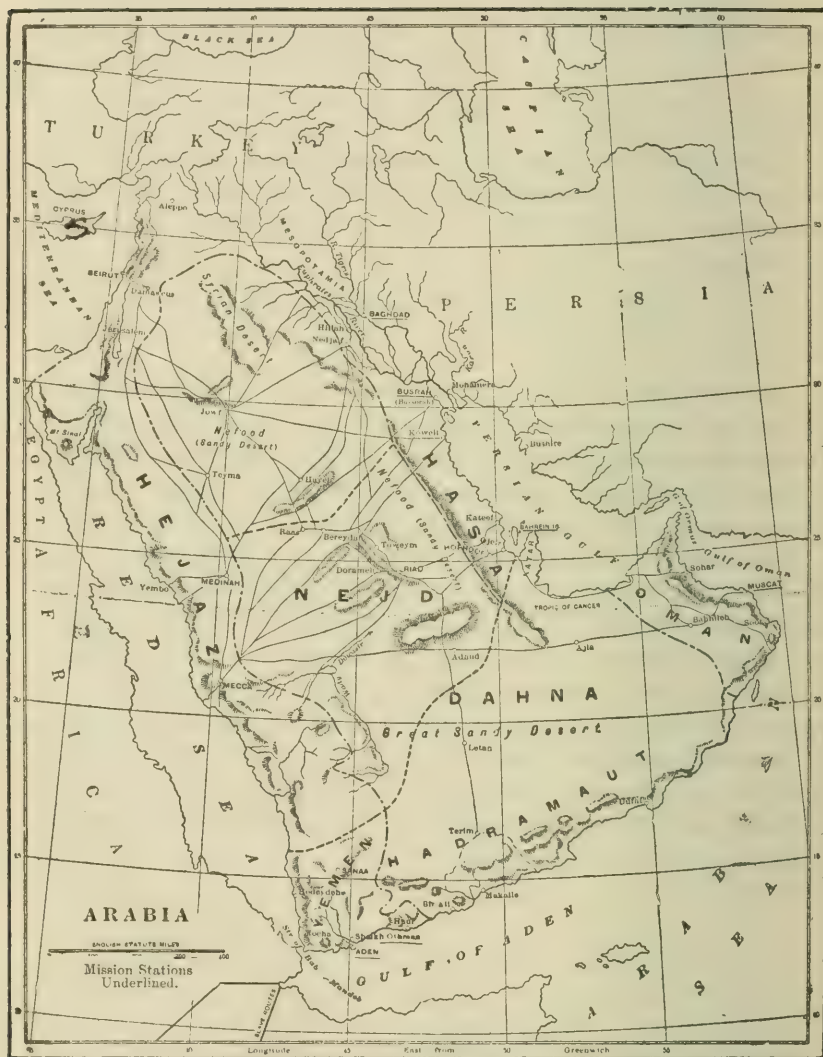
dismissed from classes to help in the relief work. This was acknowledged by a handsome certificate of appreciation which reads as follows:

To the Student Body of Meiji Gakuin:

In November, 1917, you graciously and without stint helped in relief work made necessary by the typhoon and rain, and in grateful recognition of this we present you with this parchment.

Signed and Sealed by the Governor of Tokyo Fu.

The impression the writer has gotten in compiling this report and in meeting many of the men and women who have written the different sections of it is one of encouragement. The intensive work being started, and which is well under way in Kyushu, promises to bring to fruition the hopes of the workers in concentrating there on the evangelistic work. In the schools more intensive work is being done likewise, and more thought is being put into the solution of the educational and spiritual problems facing the workers. The church in America may feel confident that their workers in Japan are using every dollar given them and every ounce of energy in the most careful and prayerful way, for as American citizens and citizens of the Kingdom of God they realize with those in the home land the great struggles that are going on in the world today.



THE ARABIAN MISSION.

FOUNDED 1889. INCORPORATED 1894. ADOPTED BY R. C. A. 1894.

Missionaries.—*Basrah*: Rev. James Cantine, Rev. J. E. Moerdyk, Miss C. B. Kellien. *Bahrein*: Rev. D. Dykstra, Rev. G. J. Pennings, Dr. P. W. Harrison, Rev. H. A. Bilkert, Miss J. A. Scardefield, Miss M. C. Van Pelt. *Maskat and Matrah*: Rev. G. D. Van Peurse, Miss Fanny Lutton, Dr. Sarah L. Hosmon. *Kuweit*: Dr. C. S. G. Mylrea, Rev. E. E. Calverley, Miss G. Shafheitlin.

Associate Missionaries.—Mrs. James Cantine, Mrs. D. Dykstra, Mrs. C. S. G. Mylrea, Mrs. E. E. Calverley, Mrs. P. W. Harrison, Mrs. G. D. Van Peurse, Mrs. H. A. Bilkert.

In Cairo, Egypt.—Rev. and Mrs. S. M. Zwemer.

In America.—Rev. and Mrs. F. J. Barny, Rev. and Mrs. J. Van Ess.

REPORT OF THE ARABIAN MISSION FOR THE
YEAR ENDING NOVEMBER 1, 1917.

It has been a year of war. A campaign which has lasted for three years and has engaged hundreds of thousands of men, is only now being driven to a successful conclusion. All of Arabia is being profoundly changed, but Mesopotamia, the seat of actual hostilities, has been utterly transformed. The external transformation is startling enough. One seems to be exploring a new country which is a curious mixture of elements from India, England, and Arabia. The internal transformation is more important, and to those who have eyes to see, even more remarkable. Men walk nearly as fast in Busrah, as in America. There is a restless energy, a breaking away from old and time-honored habits, a willingness to accept the new, that is quite a revolution in itself. There are other results less happy. A spirit of commercialism fills the atmosphere. The grip of Islam on men's hearts is paralyzed in the face of it, and the same must be said of Oriental Christianity. There is a thirst for amusement and luxury quite foreign to the spirit of the East, which in its intensity could hardly be surpassed in New York itself. Men no longer rec-

ognize the bonds of religion, and it is not surprising that immorality flourishes.

Unfortunately this shattering impact of the West upon the East, is bound to be no temporary thing. Some of the more glaring excesses incident to the period of transition will doubtless disappear within a few years, but if human judgment can be trusted at all, we must recognize that there has been a fundamental and permanent change in the character of our task. In the future we will no longer work in a social order which is purely Arabic. The work is to be complicated, and the difficulties increased by a conflict of Eastern and Western ideals in things religious, political and economic. Mesopotamia doubtless will be the most completely transformed, but unquestionably the whole of Arabia will be profoundly affected.

Some surprising results are already evident. The Arab is more tolerant than before. This result so contrary to what was anticipated, seems to be due to two things. In the first place his interest in the next world is fading, and as it fades his reasons for intolerance disappear. In the second place, the war has shown him that after all, so-called Christians and Moslems are much alike. Mohammedan intolerance is due, in no small degree, to an uncomfortable conviction down in the bottom of his heart, that in Christ he faces a better prophet and in Christianity a better faith, than his own. The present war has made him believe that the differences he has seen are only superficial; that fundamentally men are much alike no matter what their religion may be. Both what he has heard from Europe and what he has seen at home, have gone far to convince him that all religions are equally futile and equally powerless, in the face of the passions and the selfishness of men.

Another change of great significance is the definite abandonment of all political aspirations. The dreams of Pan-Islamism have died hard, but they are dead. The campaign in Mesopotamia with the tremendous forces involved, the heavy guns, the aeroplanes, wireless apparatus, etc., have

shown the Arab that his wildest dreams of military operations are mere child's play. As one Arab said with a touch of Oriental exaggeration, "We came down from Bagdad to Basrah. In the river steamer touched steamer, and on shore tent touched tent for the whole distance." What the Arab desires now is the protection of a European Power, and most of them prefer England to any other.

A painful result of the war and all that the war has brought, has been the collapse of the Protestant Christians. These men come from the Protestant Christian community of the Mardin district in Turkey, and in Busrah quite a little church of this type has grown up. This Protestant community is the result of missionary work of the American Board. Originally a most corrupt Oriental church, it has been quite transformed, and men from it have carried a very large part of the burden of our Evangelistic work in Arabia. The work of Bible distribution especially has been largely in their hands.

The extraordinary temptations of these days have proved too much for them, and hardly a man is unaffected. Helpers now employed are demanding large increases in their salaries if they are to remain in their present positions. Many have left already. The Protestant Church of Busrah has almost disappeared. After the war there will probably be a partial recovery, but with their own country under a just and stable government it is doubtful if many will want to work in Arabia. Our hospital work is being largely carried on with Moslem helpers, and increasing use is being made of men and women from India. Some few of the Mardin men are still with us. For the future we are trusting that He whose work it is, will supply what is needed and guide us in its use.

To all the other difficulties of the work must be added the shortage of workers, especially of Doctors. We have only two men doctors left, and of our two women doctors, one goes home on furlough this spring. The situation is so serious that the Mission passed the following resolution.

"Resolved that we reiterate to the Board of Trustees the

great need of Arabia for medical men and women. Our finest hospital is standing empty and unused, and opportunities that are the answer to the prayers of thirty years, we are powerless to meet."

However, in spite of wars and rumors of wars, of multiplied temptations, and increased difficulties, God has seen fit to show His power in Arabia as never before in the Mission's history. The prayers of many years are being answered in the opening of the inland country to the Gospel. This progress centers, as might be expected, around the medical work. Everywhere the ministrations of the doctor are softening hard hearts, and making friends. Everywhere the volume of medical work is increasing and patients from far away taking back reports that open new doors. Dr. Hosmon reports from Muscat that in spite of unsettled conditions in Oman the women continue to come from those districts, although in smaller numbers. In Kuwait the number of patients is increasing steadily. In both Muscat and Kuwait approximately 1,500 new women have been seen and treated, while in each place the total treatments have amounted to about 5,000. Dr. Mylrea in Kuwait has treated 2,789 men and had a total of 5,693 treatments, an increase over last year of 30 per cent. In Bahrein the numbers were larger still.

The significance of these figures is not simply in the amount of physical suffering which has been alleviated. For many years it has been the hope and the prayer of those who have the evangelization of Arabia on their hearts, that by means of this ministry of kindness, the great untouched interior country might be opened, and God is beginning to give us the answer. Dr. Harrison was invited to Riadh for a stay of twenty days, this past Summer, and reports a most interesting and satisfactory time, with every prospect for further and more extended trips. Riadh is more than the capital of Central Arabia. In a real sense, it is the capital of the whole empire of Islam, and perhaps the most important city strategically in the entire peninsula. Even on this first trip, it was possible to open the clinics with a brief prayer service.

Hassa will probably send a similar invitation in the near future. Kuttar has already done so. Kateef and Dareen were visited during the year and were as cordial as ever. It looks as if the long struggle for a foothold in the interior is to be crowned, by God's power, with success.

Obviously this will call for a large increase in our forces, in the near future. Central Arabia cannot be occupied and held without men, and especially medical men. The long, difficult, tedious task of establishing the Gospel in that barren desert country can hardly be done by anyone else. Not many posts can be found as hard and as unattractive. The country is a weary, barren, sun-baked wilderness, and the hearts of its people are formed after the same pattern. The strength and the hardness and the barrenness of the desert seem to have entered into their lives. The pleasant things of this world they know little about. Their hopes for political power they have been compelled to abandon, but their spirit is as proud and their devotion to their own faith as intense as ever. The increased tolerance of the Mesopotamian Arab finds no echo in their hearts. The first words spoken to the missionary doctor as he entered that city were not the customary "Peace be upon you," but "Do you testify that there is no God but God?"

These men are the real backbone of Islam. Elsewhere Eastern superstition or Western science may rule men's hearts, but here men give undivided allegiance to the Moslem God in his solitary and overwhelming omnipotence. The great ideas which give Islam its power have their fountain-head in Central Arabia, and the opportunity of taking Christ to men such as these is a privilege God gives to few. There are not many posts as important. The campaign for the Moslem heart, from the Philippine Islands to Russia, and from China to West Africa, will be affected by it.

God is opening the country to the Gospel, and He is using the Mission to dissipate the fogs of ignorance, and to melt the hard stony prejudice which bars the progress of His truth like a concrete wall. The schools organized by the

Mission in all of its stations and carried by prayer and sacrifice through years of opposition and hatred, are at last coming into their own. The Busrah School for boys enrolled one hundred last year. This year it begins with an enrollment of one hundred and thirty. The Girls' School has an enrollment of nearly fifty. A visit to those schools is enough to take the pessimism out of anybody. Their reputation has travelled hundreds of miles, and is a reinforcement to hard-pressed missionaries to the very limits of our field. Every pupil studies the Bible, and gets a view of Christ's teaching, and of Christian character, which must make his whole outlook different, and help make him a worthy builder of the Social Order that is to be in this land.

The school is already contributing to the general educational situation. Mr. Van Ess has published an Arabic Grammar, and Mr. Moerdyk has revised a text for beginners in English. The whole tremendous problem of education in Mesopotamia is being grappled with, and one of the major functions of our school is the furnishing of teachers for elementary schools throughout the country.

The same thirst for education is beginning to be felt in the other stations. The school in Bahrein starts the new year with two teachers instead of one, and with a budget more than doubled. There are two schools besides our own in Bahrein, and the situation while exceedingly difficult, is full of promise. The attendance this year approached thirty, and there is every reason to expect a much larger attendance now that a Persian teacher is possible. There is also a demand for education from outlying districts such as Dareen and Kateef. The School in Kuwait reached twenty-three in attendance and in the face of determined and long-continued opposition was reduced to ten. It still flourishes. The Muscat School has had a successful year.

Altogether we can rejoice that at last a thirst for truth and advancement is beginning to appear. It is weak as yet, and has in it much that is unworthy and undesirable, but it means progress and constitutes a great opportunity for us.

A long, weary road is ahead, and it will require men and money and hard work and patience to meet the situation, but we can afford to thank God and take courage that even in Arabia the march for better things has begun.

Above all, we thank God that He is drawing men to Himself. There are perhaps three stages in the progress of the Mohammedan heart toward Christ. When men listen to the Gospel with respect and interest, instead of insults and reviling, we recognize that the first stage has been passed. When men come to hear the Gospel voluntarily and often with great effort, we have gained the second stage, and when men personally study and seek, they are approaching Christ himself. In all of our stations we have passed the time of reviling and insult. In hospitals we hear of sincere and respectful interest. Mrs. Calverley writes from Kuwait that not a word of opposition to the Gospel message was heard during the year. Mr. Moerdyk tells of Bible lessons being willingly accepted in the school in Busrah. Dr. Hosmon reports real interest on the part of her patients in Muscat. Even a determined and long-continued anti-Christian campaign on the part of the religious leaders in Kuwait was without serious effect on the work. It apparently evoked little or no popular response. Everywhere we have reached the stage of respectful interest.

Almost everywhere in our field the attendance of Moslems at the Arabic services is increasing. The Kuwait services are one of the brightest spots on the whole Mission horizon. Throughout the year the attendance has been above fifty and often approaching or even exceeding one hundred. Such interest is a new thing in our Mission history, and its significance is increased when we remember that this attendance remained practically unaffected by a bitter and long-continued campaign against the whole Mission and all its activities. Nowhere else have the audiences reached such a figure, but in Bahrein, and in Muscat, the interest has been exceedingly good. Only in Busrah have we failed to see this advance, and that perhaps because of the unfortunate location of the chapel.

Bible sales during the year have been large. In Busrah, where the soldiers bought many, over 3,000 were sold. Kuwait reports a sale of nearly nine hundred. Bahrein, because of a crippled force, sold only 473. Especially encouraging reports come from the Bible shops of Amara and Nasarieh, where there has been a large amount of direct personal work both with the Arabs and in connection with the Y. M. C. A., also with the British forces.

Our supreme object is to bring Christ to men, and to bring men to Christ. We may have to work and pray for the opening of closed doors, and much of our effort may be spent in removing obstacles, but missionaries work in Arabia as elsewhere, for the one object of winning men. It is because we see Christ drawing men and women to himself, that hardships are trifles, and difficulties privileges. His work in men's hearts has been especially evident among the women of Bahrein, and among the men of Kuwait. Makkieh, the one baptized Arab woman in Bahrein, has continued to grow in Grace. Her testimony is sincere in season and out of season, and is being much used. She is less persecuted than formerly. Besides Makkieh there are three other women, all apparently sincere in their faith, though none of them has been baptized as yet. These women are passing through deep waters. The fires of evil desire in their own hearts, and forces of evil outside, conspire to drag them back. They are "sometimes up an' sometimes down." One of them especially has been such a care as to nearly wear Mrs. Dykstra out. But through it all Christ's strength has been sufficient for them. They need the prayer of every man and every woman who longs for the coming of the Kingdom in Arabia, for as weak and as ignorant, and as imperfect as they are, the honor of Christ's name, and the establishment of His church depend on them.

There are three young men in Kuwait of whom much the same is to be said. All the forces of the world and the flesh and the devil, are against these men, in that bigoted and fanatical city. They face difficulties that it is impossible for

us to understand, much less to carry for them. Their very lives are far from safe, but God who has cared for them thus far, can bring them out into a clear Christian experience, and consecrated Christian service.

The year behind us has been one of blessing. May the one before us be one of faith. We never faced such difficulties, nor such opportunities. Human reinforcements of prayer and men never seemed so necessary, although all human resources never before have been so obviously and so utterly inadequate. "And who is sufficient for these things? Our sufficiency is from God, who also has made us sufficient."

FOREIGN MISSIONS

GENERAL SUMMARY, 1917-1918

	China	India	Japan	Arabia	Total
Stations occupied	4	8	11	4	27
Out-stations and Preaching Places.....	48	237	78	3	366
Missionaries, men, ordained	8	6	12	10	36
Missionaries, men, not ordained	5	3	2	4	14
Associate Missionaries, married women..	12	8	11	11	42
Missionaries, unmarried women.....	12	16	13	5	46
Native ordained ministers	16	19	10	.....	45
Other native helpers, men.....	105*	366	25	24	520
Native helpers, women.....	66*	221	15	9	311
Churches	17	17	30	.....	64
Communicants	2,229	3,593	1,290	2	7,114
Received on Confession, 1916.....	136*	366	158	.....	660
Boarding Schools, Boys'	5*	9	1½†	1	16½
Scholars	573*	493	635	23	1,724
Boarding Schools, Girls'	6*	4	1½†	.....	11½
Scholars	603*	364	353	.....	1,320
Theological Schools	1*	1	½†	.....	2½
Theological Students	1*	37	45*	.....	83
Sunday Schools	3	226	86	3	318
Scholars	285	8,605	3,439	63	12,392
Day Schools	19*	209	.....	8	236
Scholars	1,286*	10,348	.....	224	11,858
Hospitals and Dispensaries.....	4*	11	.....	10	25
Patients Treated	7,229†	84,630	.....	36,801	128,660
Native Contributions, Silver.....	\$36,425*	Rs. 11,310	Y. 25,683	Rs. 1630	.....
Native Contributions, U. S. Gold.....	\$18,212*	\$3,770	\$12,842	\$543	\$35,367

* The figures of 1916-17.

† Hope and Wilhelmina Hospitals open only six months.

‡ Union institutions.

COMPARATIVE SUMMARY, 1858-1918

	1858	1868	1878	1888	1898	1908	1918
Stations	6	10	11	11	23	29	27
Out-stations and Preaching Places...	2	18	49	123	241	268	366
Missionaries, men	8	14	16	28	36	41	50
Missionaries, married women	6	12	14	21	31	33	42
Missionaries, unmarried women	1	.....	7	9	20*	33	46
Native ordained ministers .....	.....	4	6	26	30	37	45
Other native helpers, men.....	22	76	86	173	211	367	520
Native helpers, women .....	.....	2	10	47	41	146	311
Churches	7	13	31	47	47	42	64
Communicants	297	816	1,563	4,559	5,564	5,282	7,114
Boarding Schools, Boys' .....	.....	2	1	7	10	9	16½
Scholars .....	.....	55	40	308	517	1,004	1,724
Boarding Schools, Girls' .....	.....	1	3	5	10	11	11½
Scholars .....	.....	46	97	300	456	766	1,320
Theological Students .....	.....	7	19	32	61	80	83
Day Schools	6	17	44	106	201	195	236
Scholars	87	413	1,341	2,612	6,059	8,245	11,858
Hospitals and Dispensaries .....	.....	1	1	.....	4	8	25
Patients Treated	15,507	9,673	18,046	107,571	128,660
Native Contributions	\$1,134	\$1,500	\$8,325	\$10,758	\$24,500	\$35,367

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CLASSES AND CHURCHES.	Churches and Societies.	Sunday Schools.	Young People's Societies.	Woman's Board.	Special.	Arabian Mission.	Total.
CLASSIS OF ALBANY							
Albany, First	1000 00			939 16		80 50	2019 66
Albany, Madison Ave....	727 68	50 00		1195 58		65 00	2038 26
Albany, Third	42 50				14 74		57 24
Albany, Fourth	100 00					5 00	105 00
Albany, Fifth	65 00	23 32		30 00		15 00	133 32
Albany, Sixth	70 94	30 00	5 00		11 00		116 94
Bethlehem, First	43 40			27 96			71 36
Berne, Second	6 00						6 00
Clarksville	11 81					3 50	15 31
Coeymans				16 30		9 00	25 30
Delmar, First	37 51	23 25		77 29		17 52	155 57
Delmar, Unionville	6 00	2 76	3 00				11 76
Jerusalem	25 00					1 00	26 00
Knox							
New Baltimore	21 60	4 97		29 75			56 32
New Salem	20 60			10 00		8 29	38 89
Onesquethaw	2 50						2 50
Union, Feura Bush							
Westerlo	10 25	2 00		2 75		5 00	20 00
Ministerial Assn.						10 00	10 00
W. M. Union				26 54			26 54
Totals	2190 79	136 30	8 00	2355 33	25 74	219 81	4935 97
CLASSIS OF BERGEN							
Hackensack, First	281 50	30 00		125 00		50 00	486 50
Schraalenburgh	31 99	10 00		78 50		20 97	141 46
English Neighborhood ..	10 95			15 00		8 85	34 80
Hackensack, Second	179 93			200 00		30 00	409 93
Hackensack, Third	8 00						8 00
Hackensack, Italian							
Closter	82 66	7 50		47 00		25 00	162 16
North Hackensack	10 00	18 74		22 00		35 66	86 40
Spring Valley				12 00			12 00
Westwood	106 87	81 68	18 58	56 50			263 63
Oradell	58 70	44 58		67 89		64 40	235 57
Hasbrouck Heights	20 00			25 00			45 00
Highwood							
Rochelle Park		16 20		15 00	2 06		33 26
Bogart Memorial	40 97			114 65	34 14		189 76
Harrington Park	57 00			15 76			72 76
W. M. Union				21 95			21 95
Totals	888 57	208 70	18 58	816 25	36 20	234 88	2203 18

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CLASSIS OF SOUTH BERGEN							
Jersey City, Bergen.....	529 54	29 73	217 94	61 78	838 99
Bayonne, First	158 00	30 00	20 00	66 00	45 00	319 00
Jersey City, First Van Vorst	180 22	43 06	.....	73 22	.....	52 00	348 50
Jersey City, Park .....	.....	.....	.....	13 00	.....	.....	13 00
Bayonne, Fifth St.	256 86	34 93	.....	119 03	.....	10 50	421 32
Hudson City, Second .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	.....	25 00
Jersey City, Lafayette..	243 70	59 61	3 85	35 00	.....	15 43	357 59
Jersey City, Greenville..	24 80	.....	.....	15 00	.....	.....	39 80
Bayonne, Third	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00
Jersey City, First Ger. Evang. ....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	5 00
St. John's Ger. Evang....	.....	.....	.....	9 40	.....	.....	9 40
Jersey City, Faith	58 20	.....	.....	105 36	.....	11 93	175 49
W. M. Union .....	.....	.....	.....	16 32	.....	.....	16 32
Totals	1456 32	197 33	23 85	670 27	25 00	201 64	2574 41
CLASSIS OF CASCADES							
Big Timber, Hope .....	.....	.....	.....	3 70	1 50	.....	5 20
Lynden	112 29	7 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	119 29
Monarch	13 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13 50
Alderson, Alta, New Holland	12 52	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12 52
North Yakima	95 00	50 00	20 00	35 00	.....	20 00	220 00
Oak Harbor	53 36	.....	.....	24 00	.....	14 78	92 14
San Francisco, Cal. ....	.....	.....	.....	17 00	.....	.....	17 00
Totals	286 67	57 00	20 00	79 70	1 50	34 78	479 65
CLASSIS OF CHICAGO							
Chicago, First	490 00	.....	10 00	143 00	.....	150 00	793 00
Chicago, Westside Immanuel	38 33	81 00	.....	30 00	.....	59 00	208 33
Danforth	15 81	22 39	.....	50 00	.....	.....	88 20
DeMott	182 12	.....	.....	.....	.....	14 08	196 20
Morrison, Ebenezer	275 90	.....	.....	78 00	.....	40 45	394 35
Englewood, First	103 06	132 88	.....	35 00	.....	96 77	367 71
Fulton, First	399 03	51 54	.....	77 20	.....	36 96	564 73
Fulton, Second	380 10	67 50	18 00	30 00	.....	60 76	556 36
Chicago, Gano	20 00	20 00	.....	10 00	.....	55 80	105 80
Indianapolis	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	15 00
Lafayette	21 31	10 48	.....	25 00	.....	10 48	67 27
Lansing	245 30	86 25	6 75	30 00	.....	70 00	438 30
Mt. Greenwood	13 70	4 80	10 00	48 00	.....	10 00	86 50
Newton, Zion	54 50	45 28	.....	64 25	.....	16 34	180 37
Roseland, First	444 22	372 10	.....	30 00	.....	1400 00	2246 32
South Holland	1033 38	255 69	.....	115 00	.....	215 34	1619 41
Spring Valley, Ustick	34 00	7 25	.....	20 00	.....	10 05	71 30
Summit	20 50	19 25	.....	11 00	.....	20 00	70 75
Wichert	51 79	10 00	52 10	113 89
W. M. Union	50 00	15 00	65 00
Totals	3833 05	1176 41	44 75	856 45	2338 13	8248 79

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CLASSIS OF DAKOTA							
Aurora	89 00			35 00			124 00
Castlewood	78 93	10 27				7 00	96 20
Charles Mix	50 42	3 25				15 00	68 67
Corsica	5 00			15 00		5 00	25 00
Grand View, Armour	50 00					7 00	57 00
Harrison	231 00	25 00		156 40		28 30	440 70
Hull, American			15 00	5 00	2 55		22 55
Lake View				7 00			7 00
Litchville	55 32					5 00	60 32
Maurice, American	58 87			5 00			63 87
Monroe, Sandham Meml.	113 60	100 00		33 25	26 68	112 24	385 77
North Marion	98 14			9 11		51 66	158 91
Orange City, American	1660 91		15 00	25 00	137 50		1838 41
Springfield	321 91	26 00		143 20		72 14	563 25
Tyndall	12 00						12 00
Twin Brooks						3 95	3 95
Westfield	300 05	120 89	25 00	108 01		144 93	698 88
W. M. Union				40 03			40 03
Totals	3125 15	285 41	55 00	582 00	166 73	452 22	4666 51
CLASSIS OF GERMANIA							
Bethany				10 00			10 00
Bethel	5 00						5 00
Chancellor	37 00					20 00	57 00
Cromwell Center	60 00						60 00
Davis	35 00			5 00		10 00	50 00
Delaware				10 00			10 00
Dempster	82 15	14 06				10 00	106 21
Herman	7 12						7 12
Hope	5 00						5 00
Lennox, Second	200 00					12 00	212 00
Logan	10 00	16 60		10 00			36 60
Monroe, S. D.	40 00						40 00
North Sibley	18 19						18 19
Salem—Little Rock	88 00	29 05				20 00	137 05
Scotland	29 90						29 90
Strasburg, N. D.	52 92			5 00		10 00	67 92
Totals	670 28	59 71		40 00		82 00	851 99
CLASSIS OF GRAND RIVER							
Ada	2 50	9 28					11 78
Atwood	17 44	5 10		17 00		12 75	52 29
Beverly Mission	15 14	21 33				18 31	54 78
Brand Mission, S. D.	4 00						4 00
Byron Center	29 25	75 00		17 33		72 54	194 12
Coopersville	833 25	217 62	44 00	69 50		141 05	1305 42
Decatur	15 00			6 00		7 00	28 00
Detroit	217 59	53 36		37 50		70 00	378 45
East Paris	8 21	3 12					11 33
Fremont	104 53	60 84		28 35		5 25	198 97
Grand Haven, First	268 00	307 18	35 00	135 00	24 00	92 97	862 15
Grand Rapids, Third	1420 00	197 24	7 00	144 38	19 00	42 50	1830 12
Grand Rapids, Fourth	84 00	170 00		85 00	100 00	111 00	550 00

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CLASSIS OF GRAND RIVER (Continued)							
Grand Rapids, Fifth	730 00	407 72		182 42	32 50	115 53	1468 17
Grand Rapids, Sixth	100 00	20 34	15 00	13 33			148 67
Grand Rapids, Seventh	75 00	130 50	25 00	70 00		57 29	357 79
Grand Rapids, Eighth	31 00	190 13	7 50	25 00	100 00	75 12	428 75
Grand Rapids, Ninth	27 80	75 00	5 00	18 00	75 00	98 00	298 80
Grandville	180 72	139 83		44 35	131 59	35 59	532 08
Allendale, Mich.	25 72						25 72
Grant	49 22		11 67	8 30	1 60		70 79
Kalamazoo, First				127 32	7 00	20 00	154 32
Kalamazoo, Third	213 58	55 00		15 00		30 00	313 58
Kalamazoo, Fourth	26 00	20 00	9 00	25 00		14 00	94 00
Falmouth	14 10						14 10
Lamont	20 35						20 35
Moddersville							
Fruitport M. Fest.	66 19					25 00	91 19
Muskegon, First	57 00	115 37		65 00		45 00	282 37
Muskegon, Third	18 00			11 00		6 00	35 00
New Era	100 00	28 32		20 00		8 00	156 32
Plainfield	6 00	14 96		14 00			34 96
Portage	63 31	60 00		15 00		5 00	143 31
Rehoboth, Lucas	32 00			10 00			42 00
South Barnard	33 29						33 29
Spring Lake	111 09	97 48	50 00	23 00	30 00	62 90	374 47
Twin Lakes	12 00	47 50		23 00		16 00	98 50
Gr. Rapids M. Fest.	51 00					17 12	68 12
W. M. Union				24 97		28 99	53 96
Allegan Mission	8 00						8 00
Totals	5070 28	2522 22	209 17	1274 75	520 69	1232 91	10830 02
CLASSIS OF GREENE							
Athens	40 00			25 00		10 00	75 00
Catskill		6 85		50 50	40 00	603 37	700 72
Coxsackie, First	29 04	10 00		47 00		5 60	91 64
Coxsackie, Second	109 98		5 00	57 00		11 23	183 21
Kiskatom				14 60			14 60
Leeds	14 25			23 00		5 00	42 25
W. M. Union				15 00			15 00
Totals	193 27	16 85	5 00	232 10	40 00	635 20	1122 42
CLASSIS OF HOLLAND							
Beaverdam	81 90			25 05		5 00	111 95
Cleveland, First		68 58				11 37	79 95
Cleveland, Calvary	254 83			130 00		62 70	447 53
Dunningville	24 91	23 11					48 02
East Overisel	45 12	36 07					81 19
Ebenezer	40 53	60 33		20 00		40 95	161 81
Graafschap	61 13						61 13
Hamilton	105 04	125 00	15 00	92 50		145 13	482 67
Harlem	11 95	5 70				6 60	24 25
Holland, First	239 67	290 22	13 00	70 50	141 00	528 94	1283 33
Holland, Third	825 00	480 51	130 00	219 82	128 00	82 00	1865 33
Holland, Fourth	103 30	58 88	6 75	39 12		81 82	289 87
Hudsonville		8 61					8 61

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CLASSIS OF HOLLAND (Continued)							
Jamestown, First	460 00	203 16	113 02	21 25	797 43
Jamestown, Second	372 03	.....	.....	76 50	.....	148 85	597 38
North Blendon	5 00	.....	7 50	12 00	.....	.....	24 50
North Holland	116 00	63 00	10 00	72 00	.....	162 96	423 96
Overisel	705 01	250 00	15 60	184 89	.....	705 00	1860 50
South Blendon .....	.....	63 18	7 50	32 00	.....	39 09	141 77
Three Oaks	33 92	87 50	.....	15 00	.....	.....	136 42
Vriesland	52 00	128 47	4 00	69 00	.....	59 00	312 47
Zeeland, First	170 86	246 01	.....	140 00	610 00	65 00	1231 87
Zeeland, Second	729 32	408 22	25 00	197 81	230 00	230 00	1820 35
Colonial M. Fest, Zeeland, Mich.	150 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	37 07	187 07
W. M. Union.....	.....	.....	.....	24 97	.....	28 99	53 96
Totals	4587 52	2606 55	234 35	1534 18	1109 00	2461 72	12533 32
CLASSIS OF HUDSON							
Claverack	23 38	11 25	2 50	147 18	.....	10 00	194 31
Gallatin	16 49	2 95	.....	4 52	.....	.....	23 96
Germantown	105 60	15 97	6 00	16 50	.....	5 00	149 07
Greenport .....	.....	.....	.....	35 00	.....	.....	35 00
Greenport, Mt. Pleasant..	12 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12 00
Hudson	309 76	.....	20 00	30 84	.....	25 00	385 60
Linlithgo	87 05	20 00	3 21	21 00	.....	5 30	136 56
Livingston, Meml.	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00
Mellenville	91 00	34 83	.....	17 60	.....	32 70	176 13
Philmont	355 09	50 25	.....	126 50	.....	.....	531 84
West Copake	10 72	10 47	.....	.....	.....	.....	21 19
W. M. Union.....	.....	.....	.....	9 39	.....	.....	9 39
Totals	1021 09	145 72	31 71	408 53	.....	78 00	1685 05
CLASSIS OF ILLINOIS							
Bethany, 2nd Roseland..	722 15	127 85	10 00	89 00	46 66	32 00	1027 66
Englewood, Second	25 00	112 50	.....	39 57	35 00	50 00	262 07
Fairview	203 45	37 65	.....	50 00	5 00	10 00	306 10
Emanuel	25 00	30 00	.....	10 00	.....	55 00	120 00
Northwestern	7 00	.....	.....	10 00	.....	2 00	19 00
Kensington Ital. M. ....	.....	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 00
Raritan .....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	3 75	13 75
Spring Lake, Ill.	25 25	5 00	2 00	2 50	.....	1 00	35 75
Trinity	73 83	83 09	.....	23 35	.....	27 02	207 29
Totals	1081 68	421 09	12 00	224 42	86 66	180 77	2006 62
CLASSIS OF IOWA							
Alton, First	674 78	164 13	.....	74 40	.....	50 00	963 31
Archer	61 00	25 00	.....	31 00	.....	10 00	127 00
Bethel, Leota	291 06	.....	.....	40 00	.....	103 00	434 06
Boyd	836 61	588 47	.....	85 00	50 00	.....	1560 08
Carmel	207 65	66 75	.....	50 00	.....	28 12	352 52
Chandler	220 00	15 00	.....	12 00	.....	20 04	267 04
Churchville, Pipestone ..	15 00	5 00	10 05	30 05
Clara City	85 00	4 64	20 00	109 64

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CLASSIS OF IOWA (Continued)							
Doon	20 42	25 71				14 27	60 40
Edgerton	85 00	14 14		100 00		95 05	294 19
Free Grace, Middleburg.	35 00	50 00	21 00	140 00		99 50	345 50
Holland, Neb.	585 25	140 73		198 50		372 90	1297 38
Hospers	185 00	220 00	15 00	25 00		50 00	495 00
Hull, First	1810 84	178 10	10 00	85 00		25 00	2108 94
Inwood	94 29	52 25	2 59	43 00			192 13
Ireton		10 95		23 66		4 00	38 61
Lester	8 97			5 00		9 75	23 72
Luctor	60 70	20 00		35 00		29 61	145 31
Maurice, First	239 82	128 36	34 00	115 00	10 00	20 00	547 18
Matlock	12 50					3 25	15 75
Melvin	6 62					16 31	22 93
Newkirk	1253 76	230 00	75 00	15 00		135 00	1708 76
Orange City, First	1139 69	358 65	23 84	157 85	266 50	730 59	2677 12
Pella, Neb.	89 00	25 00		55 99		70 07	240 06
Prairie View, Kans.	29 50	132 00		56 00		96 93	314 43
Rock Rapids	13 40			15 00		13 88	42 28
Rock Valley	38 80	100 00		110 00		97 95	346 75
Roseland, Minn., Svea	75 77			55 00		43 80	174 57
Rotterdam, Cawker City.	17 77	5 54		11 58		8 00	42 89
Sanborn	14 05	65 17		10 00		12 32	101 54
Sandham Meml.				9 05			9 05
Sandstone, Minn.	15 50					4 75	20 25
Sheldon	80 00	20 00	15 00	95 00		10 00	220 00
Sibley				5 75			5 75
Silver Creek	197 00					36 30	233 30
Sioux Center, First	1782 95	227 85	20 00	208 25	190 00	132 75	2561 80
Sioux Center, Cent.	364 42	50 00		225 00	160 97	256 14	1056 53
Sioux City	11 15					2 65	13 80
Steen	106 00	40 00		40 00		56 92	242 92
Twin Brooks	3 80						3 80
Valley Springs, S. D.		10 50		25 00			35 50
Volga						4 20	4 20
Sioux Co. Churches.						2896 48	2896 48
W. M. Union.				40 02			40 02
Totals	10768 07	2968 94	216 43	2202 05	677 47	5589 58	22422 54
CLASSIS OF KINGSTON							
Bloomington	114 00		5 00	36 39		5 00	160 39
Alligerville		6 83					6 83
High Falls, Clove.	11 27	19 37		50 00		13 00	93 64
Gardiner	34 00	15 00	8 30	24 50			81 80
Hurley	47 55	22 50	6 00	60 50		23 00	159 55
Kingston, Fair St.	131 54			130 63		42 70	304 87
Krumville	2 00			2 50			4 50
Lyonsville	2 50					5 00	7 50
Stone Ridge, Marblatown	26 00			16 86		45 00	87 86
New Paltz	593 47			66 53		10 00	670 00
Accord, Rochester	1 53			75 00		2 50	79 03
Rosedale Plains	1 82			1 00			2 82
St. Remy				11 50			11 50
No. Marblatown	3 98			16 22		6 60	26 80
W. M. Union				18 00			18 00
Guilford				3 00			3 00
Totals	969 66	63 70	19 30	512 63		152 80	1718 09

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NORTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND							
Jamaica, First	513 40	50 00		480 40		12 00	1055 80
Newtown, Elmhurst		12 50		60 00			72 50
Oyster Bay	25 00			20 00			45 00
North Hempstead	37 50			25 00		22 50	85 00
Williamsburgh	17 75	30 00		115 50			163 25
Astoria, First	129 51			23 00		32 32	184 83
Flushing	200 00			65 60		1200 00	1465 60
Brooklyn, Kent St.	4 20			10 00			14 20
So. Bushwick	47 33	65 71	36 00	105 00		6 42	260 46
Astoria, Second	5 00	8 00				5 00	18 00
Queens	34 00	53 03		139 62		15 00	241 65
Ger. Evang. St. Petri ..	10 00	10 00		2 75		5 00	27 75
Sayville	10 03	15 86				13 20	39 09
Locust Valley	32 72	30 00					62 72
College Point	179 31	80 00		11 50		68 72	339 53
Long Island City	8 30	8 12		48 00		26 50	90 92
Steinway	10 00						10 00
New Hyde Park	20 43			11 35			31 78
Sunnyside	2 00						2 00
Winfield	10 00						10 00
W. M. Union				30 00			30 00
Totals	1296 48	363 22	36 00	1147 72		1406 66	4250 08
SOUTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND							
Brooklyn, First	100 00			625 00		128 00	853 00
Flatbush, First	709 94			200 00		15 00	924 94
Grace	1721 76			170 75			1892 51
New Utrecht	306 40	133 20		85 00		5 00	529 60
Gravesend, First	70 00	94 88		302 43		3 37	470 68
Flatlands	40 65	49 32		66 62	10 00	30 00	196 59
Forest Park		40 00		10 00			50 00
So. Brooklyn	100 00	75 00	10 00	107 00		45 00	337 00
Brooklyn, Twelfth St. ..	16 69	34 00		95 00			145 69
Brooklyn, Bethany	94 63	80 00		65 00	15 00		254 63
Church on Heights	685 35			320 00	35 00	645 00	1683 35
New Brooklyn	30 00						30 00
Canarsie	10 00			12 00			22 00
Ocean Hill	12 35	26 41				2 50	41 26
Edgewood	100 00			40 00		10 00	150 00
Ridgewood	5 00			5 00			10 00
Greenwood Heights	22 00			53 90	1 00	10 00	86 90
Bay Ridge	80 65			125 40	5 00		211 05
Woodlawn	25 00			93 12		15 75	133 87
W. M. Union				43 10			43 10
Totals	4130 42	532 81	10 00	2419 32	66 00	909 62	8068 17
CLASSIS OF MICHIGAN							
Hamilton, American	49 10	40 00		16 92		39 49	145 51
Grand Rapids, Bethany ..	351 00	104 00		444 34		119 00	1018 34
Kalamazoo, Bethany	187 50	76 70	35 00	70 00		30 00	399 20
Grand Rapids, Bethel	10 00			5 00	50 00	3 75	68 75
Grand Rapids, Calvary ...	40 00	50 07			40 00	25 00	155 07

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CLASSIS OF MICHIGAN (Continued)							
Grand Rapids, Grace ...	165 00	140 00	59 00	100 00	102 00	566 00
Grand Haven, Second ...	137 45	28 07	.....	76 54	57 00	33 54	332 60
Grand Rapids, First ...	187 69	58 60	.....	45 50	40 00	265 15	596 94
Grand Rapids, Second ...	1080 85	.....	.....	55 00	213 75	186 69	1536 29
Holland, Hope ...	872 28	111 77	.....	198 92	225 00	.....	1407 97
Grand Rapids, Zion ...	20 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 75
Kalamazoo, Second ...	700 00	.....	.....	131 50	152 00	532 81	1516 31
Grand Rapids, Immanuel.	70 00	25 00	.....	48 62	.....	60 00	203 62
Grand Rapids, Knap Av.	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 00
Muskegon, Second ...	49 72	29 57	25 00	121 93	50 00	15 55	291 77
Kalamazoo, North Park..	67 35	95 69	7 00	34 50	.....	51 51	256 05
Holland, Trinity ...	51 80	170 00	.....	40 00	78 83	65 00	405 63
Grand Rapids, Trinity ...	73 00	25 00	.....	4 00	.....	.....	102 00
Kalamazoo M. Fest.	50 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00	70 00
New Gronigen ...	.....	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00
W. M. Union ...	.....	.....	.....	24 96	.....	28 99	53 95
Totals	4178 49	957 47	67 00	1376 73	1006 58	1578 48	9164 75
CLASSIS OF MONMOUTH							
Freehold, First ...	41 73	5 00	.....	88 66	.....	24 72	160 11
Holmdel ...	25 72	7 00	.....	29 50	.....	11 38	73 60
Middletown ...	20 36	.....	.....	75 20	.....	18 85	114 41
Freehold, Second ...	125 00	132 93	2 50	145 00	.....	77 15	482 58
Keyport ...	27 00	9 00	.....	18 00	.....	5 00	59 00
Long Branch ...	.....	5 55	.....	13 00	.....	.....	18 55
Colt's Neck ...	23 00	2 00	.....	35 00	.....	10 00	70 00
Asbury Park ...	11 37	.....	.....	24 47	.....	7 15	42 99
Red Bank ...	12 00	.....	.....	15 00	.....	40 00	67 00
W. M. Union ...	.....	.....	.....	16 99	.....	.....	16 99
Totals	286 18	161 48	2 50	460 82	.....	194 25	1105 23
CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY							
Amsterdam, First ...	39 30	25 40	.....	55 01	.....	14 32	134 03
Amsterdam, Trinity ...	36 42	.....	.....	101 75	.....	6 75	144 92
Auriesville ...	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 00
Canajoharie ...	55 00	39 12	5 00	30 00	.....	.....	129 12
Columbia ...	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00
Currytown ...	.....	.....	.....	8 15	.....	.....	8 15
Florida ...	46 00	18 43	.....	62 25	.....	20 00	146 68
Fonda ...	46 81	10 00	.....	54 00	.....	10 00	120 81
Fort Plain ...	47 69	.....	.....	93 50	.....	10 00	151 19
Fultonville ...	40 00	13 00	.....	6 00	.....	15 00	74 00
Glen ...	13 00	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	23 00
Hagaman ...	68 13	23 18	.....	75 30	.....	28 38	194 99
Interlaken ...	78 47	.....	.....	88 40	.....	8 72	175 59
Sammons ville, Union ...	6 39	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 39
Johnstown ...	26 55	6 22	.....	46 00	.....	.....	78 77
Lodi ...	50 00	15 46	75 50	10 00	150 96
Manheim ...	4 50	4 50
Mohawk	5 35	5 35
Naumburg ...	10 00	10 00

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CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY (Continued)							
Owasco	19 18			15 00		1 80	35 98
Owasco Outlet	12 50						12 50
St. Johnsville	35 00			21 00		5 00	61 00
Sprakers	6 08	1 20		47 21			54 49
Syracuse, First				149 00		10 00	159 00
Syracuse, Second	50 00	15 00		15 00			80 00
Thousand Islands	8 50			12 50			21 00
Utica, Christ Ch.	119 58			46 00		14 00	179 58
West Leyden		15 00	15 00			6 00	36 00
Herkimer				43 00			43 00
W. M. Union				19 00			19 00
Totals	825 10	182 01	20 00	1078 92		159 97	2266 00
CLASSIS OF NEWARK							
Belleville	61 18	7 22		18 59		23 00	109 99
Newark, First	100 00			60 00		20 00	180 00
Irvington, First				20 00			20 00
Irvington, Second	11 54						11 54
New York Ave.	3 58	8 69		20 00			32 27
Nutley, Franklin	100 00			36 95		50 00	186 95
Newark, North	1480 06	11 75		1633 32		15 00	3140 13
Newark, West	12 00	6 00				2 00	20 00
Newark, Clinton Ave.	570 73			345 00		36 05	951 78
Newark, Trinity	31 63			20 00	3 35		54 98
Linden	44 93	15 00		6 25		14 37	80 55
Newark, Christ	4 16	46 05		5 00			55 21
Brookdale	7 34	8 23					15 57
Orange, First	25 30		14 23	622 70		45 00	707 23
Plainfield, Trinity				57 00		700 00	757 00
Montclair Heights	185 00			89 00		35 00	309 00
Orange, Hyde Park	67 14			50 86		17 91	135 91
Netherwood	4 12						4 12
Marconnier	5 00						5 00
W. M. Union				106 00			106 00
Totals	2713 71	102 94	14 23	3090 67	3 35	958 33	6883 23
CLASSIS OF NEW BRUNSWICK							
New Brunswick, First... ..	192 00	120 00		100 00			412 00
Belle Mead, N. J., Pleasant View S. S.		50 00					50 00
Franklin Park	453 21	15 84		108 30		53 25	630 60
Hillsboro, Millstone	34 22	14 52		161 30		39 41	249 45
Middlebush	49 59			33 00		12 00	94 59
Griggstown	28 56			166 15		10 00	204 71
New Brunswick, Second ..	800 00	89 80		110 00	10 00	125 00	1134 80
Bound Brook	57 28			30 30		5 32	92 90
East Millstone	17 13			34 68		10 00	61 81
Metuchen	367 68	8 52		46 67			422 87
Suydam Street	270 62	30 00		610 29		15 00	925 91
Highland Park	12 00	10 00		68 10			90 10

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CLASSIS OF NEW BRUNSWICK (Continued)							
Rocky Hill	30 10	13 00	21 00	5 00	69 10
Spotswood	25 00	4 00	20 00	10 00	59 00
Perth Amboy, St. Paul...	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00	6 00
W. M. Union .....	.....	.....	.....	42 35	.....	.....	42 35
Totals	2340 39	355 68	.....	1552 14	10 00	287 98	4546 19
CLASSIS OF NEW YORK							
New York Collegiate....	8800 22	160 78	10 00	8310 70	464 00	1526 76	19272 46
Thirty-fourth St. ....	.....	35 00	.....	116 00	.....	40 00	191 00
Knox Memorial	481 24	39 00	.....	36 05	.....	10 00	566 29
Vermilye Chapel .....	.....	.....	.....	15 00	15 00	40 00	70 00
Fort Washington .....	.....	.....	.....	110 63	.....	.....	110 63
Harlem, Lenox Ave.	179 55	25 00	.....	70 00	.....	610 00	884 55
Elmendorf Chapel	39 67	75 00	50 00	49 61	.....	87 96	302 24
Port Richmond, S. I.	56 75	75 00	.....	158 00	.....	40 00	329 75
Fordham Manor .....	.....	.....	.....	63 75	.....	.....	63 75
Sixty-Eighth St. Ger....	40 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	65 00
Manor Chapel	13 84	7 00	.....	32 55	.....	7 00	60 39
Zion, Ger. Evang.	30 00	.....	.....	20 00	.....	20 00	70 00
West Farms	17 27	.....	.....	.....	.....	7 70	24 97
Mott Haven	92 77	21 88	.....	17 00	.....	32 48	164 13
Melrose, German	5 00	.....	.....	5 00	.....	3 00	13 00
Fourth, German .....	.....	20 00	25 00	10 00	11 00	25 00	91 00
Brighton Heights	761 41	.....	7 63	42 50	.....	.....	811 54
Union Highbridge	97 81	40 00	13 00	160 00	.....	35 88	346 69
Grace	75 00	50 00	.....	.....	.....	25 00	150 00
Hamilton Grange	123 00	.....	.....	142 08	.....	52 80	317 88
Anderson Memorial	34 83	5 40	.....	.....	.....	.....	40 23
Comforter	72 44	7 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	79 94
Bethany Memorial	115 00	50 00	.....	89 50	.....	25 00	279 50
Mariner's Harbor .....	.....	20 19	10 00	5 00	.....	5 00	40 19
McKee, Ky. ....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	5 00
Columbian Memorial .....	.....	10 68	.....	25 00	.....	.....	35 68
Vermilye Memorial	3 50	.....	.....	15 00	.....	.....	18 50
Clove Valley Chapel.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00
Totals	11039 30	652 43	115 63	9493 37	490 00	2623 58	24414 31
CLASSIS OF ORANGE							
Cuddybackville	12 70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12 70
Port Jervis, Deepark....	218 59	50 00	.....	50 00	.....	20 00	338 59
Ellenville	305 57	10 00	.....	33 18	.....	10 00	358 75
Woodbourne	24 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	11 00	35 00
Grahamsville	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00
Wurtsboro, Mamakating..	47 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	47 50
Montgomery	187 50	.....	.....	14 00	.....	62 50	264 00
Newburgh, American	258 04	50 00	4 50	100 00	.....	82 00	494 54
New Hurley	47 50	11 00	.....	20 00	.....	.....	78 50
New Prospect	23 92	65 50	15 00	104 42
Shawangunk	24 92	35 00	7 50	67 42
Unionville	7 50	7 50

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CLASSIS OF ORANGE (Continued)							
Walden				30 00		585 00	615 00
Wallkill	60 28	20 00	20 00	107 00			207 28
Walpack, Lower		5 50					5 50
Warwarsing	5 00			6 00			11 00
Port Jervis, West End... ..	8 00			5 00		5 00	18 00
W. M. Union.....				17 00			17 00
Totals	1241 02	146 50	24 50	482 68		798 00	2692 70
CLASSIS OF PALISADES							
New Durham, Grove....	750 00			150 00	60 77	100 00	1060 77
Hoboken, First	6 00						6 00
North Bergen	40 00	30 00		140 00		35 00	245 00
Hoboken, Ger. Evang.	20 00	60 00					80 00
Coytesville	7 59					2 27	9 86
Guttenburg	15 00	3 00		12 50		20 00	50 50
Jersey City, Cent. Ave....	187 11	32 63		36 00		24 95	280 69
West Hoboken, First....	800 00			10 00	10 00	25 00	845 00
West New York Trinity....				44 50		60 00	104 50
Woodcliff	167 70			10 00		15 60	193 30
W. M. Union.....				75 82			75 82
Totals	1993 40	125 63		478 82	70 77	282 82	2951 44
CLASSIS OF PARAMUS							
Passaic, First	800 00	200 00		1405 00		191 00	2596 00
Centerville, Athenia	48 26	21 99	10 00	75 15			155 40
Clarkstown				23 77		6 00	29 77
Clifton	211 16			11 00	32 01	5 00	259 17
Clifton, Holland	20 00	15 00		5 00		5 00	45 00
Garfield		6 00					6 00
Glen Rock		18 37					18 37
Hawthorne	80 00	11 00		12 20			103 20
Hohokus	29 36			5 00			34 36
Lodi, First Holland....	60 07	36 51					96 58
Lodi, Second	15 00	10 00					25 00
North Paterson	9 62						9 62
Paramus	101 44	87 51		104 66		13 25	306 86
Pascack	99 00	50 00	1 86	51 00		5 00	206 86
Passaic, First Holland....	700 00	125 00		25 00	110 00	118 95	1078 95
Passaic, North	700 00			97 95		49 47	847 42
Paterson, Broadway	535 20			115 40		10 00	660 60
Paterson, Ch. of Covenant	43 16	2 10		30 47	50 00		125 73
Paterson, First Holl....	10 00	20 00				10 00	30 00
Paterson, Second	98 82	60 00		89 00		5 00	257 82
Piermont	15 00			34 00			54 00
Ramapo	63 44			72 35		6 33	142 12
Ridgewood	205 00	60 00		120 10		530 00	915 10
Upper Ridgewood	45 03						45 03
Saddle River, N. J....	11 63	5 00		6 00			22 63
Spring Valley	61 11	50 00		154 90			266 01
Tappan	23 00			95 88		2 00	120 88
Waldwick				2 00			2 00
Warwick	229 35	64 60		93 83		42 71	430 49

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CLASSIS OF PARAMUS (Continued)							
West New Hempstead...	15 00			12 00			27 00
Wortendyke, First Holl..	13 48	4 24		44 50		11 00	73 22
Wortendyke, Trinity		14 00		20 00			34 00
W. M. Union.....				57 73			57 73
Totals	4243 13	861 32	11 86	2763 89	192 01	1010 71	9082 92
CLASSIS OF PASSAIC							
Boonton	16 70	7 50		10 00		25 00	59 20
Fairfield	2 30						2 30
Little Falls, First.....	135 05	33 02	4 96	52 00		44 56	269 59
Little Falls, Second	51 00					13 00	64 00
Mountain Lakes	45 00			22 00		10 00	77 00
Paterson, People's Park..	50 00	13 00				33 65	96 65
Pompton	69 79		4 67	98 15			172 61
Pompton Plains	147 78	30 36		93 12		25 00	296 26
Preakness	13 13			11 00			24 13
Riverside	47 78	19 22		15 40			82 40
Paterson, Sixth Holl.	800 00			655 00		100 00	1555 00
Paterson, First Totowa ..	650 00				100 00	25 00	775 00
Paterson, Union	42 00	168 00	10 00			75 00	295 00
Wanaque	10 00						10 00
Wyckoff		26 00				10 00	36 00
W. M. Union.....				17 03			17 03
Totals	2080 53	297 10	19 63	973 70	100 00	361 21	3832 17
CLASSIS OF PELLA							
Bethany, Sully		17 92		24 52		7 78	50 22
Bethel	6 23			50 00		5 16	61 39
Ebenezer	116 83	76 18		111 50		110 65	415 16
Eddyville	37 00			18 75		5 00	60 75
Galesburg	3 50			10 00			13 50
Killduff	41 15	19 20					60 35
Muscatine	5 10	4 00	3 00	3 00	45 80		60 90
New Sharon	25 31	12 50		25 00		12 00	74 81
Otley	200 71	52 14		60 00		130 00	442 85
Pella, First	775 00	64 73		152 00	6 00	40 00	1037 73
Pella, Second		5 00	25 00	664 00		45 00	739 00
Pella, Third	250 00	100 00		815 00	17 50	50 00	1232 50
Prairie City	32 55	30 35		20 00		11 95	94 85
Sully	6 40	12 07				17 25	35 72
East Prairie				100 00		25 00	125 00
Pella, Ia., M. Fest.....	398 32					99 59	497 91
W. M. Union.....				16 50		33 00	49 50
Totals	1898 10	394 09	28 00	2070 27	69 30	592 38	5052 14
CLASSIS OF PHILADELPHIA							
North and Southampton..	134 91	35 62		5 92			176 45
Harlingen	109 69			32 50		41 80	183 99
Neshanic	88 75	5 00		72 50		29 04	195 29
Philadelphia, First	23 98			45 50		142 57	212 05

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CLASSIS OF PHILADELPHIA (Continued)							
Philadelphia, Fourth	83 72	83 73		50 00			217 45
Johnsville, Pa.		9 60					9 60
Blawenburg	42 40	7 56		19 00			68 96
Stanton	12 00	2 00		5 00			19 00
Clover Hill	6 00		5 65	16 00		4 00	31 65
Philadelphia, Fifth	45 00		20 00				65 00
Addisville, Richboro	46 80	27 70	3 50	25 00		15 60	118 60
Three Bridges	10 00		5 00	44 20		10 00	69 20
Talmage Memorial	138 20			10 00		50 00	198 20
W. M. Union				97 00			97 00
Totals	741 45	171 21	34 15	422 62		293 01	1662 44
CLASSIS OF PLEASANT PRAIRIE							
Alexander	91 53			5 00		10 00	106 53
Aplington	117 50	15 00		42 00		15 00	189 50
Baileyville	50 00				6 00	15 00	71 00
Bristow	63 00	5 00				17 00	85 00
Buffalo Center	90 00			9 00		5 60	104 60
Dumont	25 00	15 00				5 00	45 00
Ebenezer, Oregon	131 85	17 55				30 00	179 40
Elim, Kings	30 00	4 00	5 00	5 00		8 00	52 00
Fairview, Ia.	28 30						28 30
Forreston	237 25	60 40		10 00		50 00	357 65
Immanuel, Belmond	87 38						87 38
Meservey	207 19	40 00		20 00		25 00	292 19
Goodell Mission, Ia.	7 00						7 00
Parkersburg	173 00						173 00
Pekin, Second		3 00					3 00
Peoria	28 41	5 23	5 00	5 00		20 58	64 22
Ramsay, Titonka	152 21						152 21
Silver Creek	265 00	46 15		85 00			396 15
Stout	195 25	18 37		22 11		5 74	241 47
Washington	90 00					16 00	106 00
Wellsburg	50 00			20 00			70 00
Zion, Chapin	119 20			10 00		12 00	141 20
Totals	2239 07	229 70	10 00	233 11	6 00	234 92	2952 80
CLASSIS OF POUGHKEEPSIE							
Poughkeepsie	239 42	60 00		548 83		80 40	928 65
Fishkill	51 38			27 50		13 29	92 17
Hopewell	94 65			20 00			114 65
New Hackensack	86 84	9 30		25 65		10 00	131 79
Rhinebeck	55 00	40 00		126 20		12 00	233 20
Fishkill-on-Hudson (Beacon)	189 44	25 00	27 00	86 00			327 44
Hyde Park	12 10	5 83					17 93
Millbrook	86 86			33 00			119 86
Arlington, First				12 00			12 00
Upper Red Hook	70 46			55 00			125 46
Totals	886 15	140 13	27 00	934 18		115 69	2103 15

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CLASSIS OF RARITAN							
Raritan, First	311 27	45 21	115 50	69 50	541 48
Readington	39 85	28 45	5 00	61 79	14 00	149 09
Bedminster	160 99	26 37	.....	125 35	.....	101 75	414 46
Lebanon	123 09	28 66	.....	74 57	.....	35 27	261 59
Rockaway	15 21	20 00	.....	12 75	.....	.....	47 96
North Branch	50 86	5 00	.....	129 95	.....	25 52	211 33
Raritan, Second .....	.....	.....	.....	206 57	.....	643 34	849 91
Peapack .....	.....	16 00	13 35	21 00	.....	.....	50 35
South Branch	66 00	19 65	.....	18 00	.....	6 00	109 65
Raritan, Third	57 75	44 38	.....	65 00	.....	20 50	187 63
Pottersville .....	.....	5 20	.....	.....	.....	15 00	20 20
High Bridge	4 50	33 85	.....	10 50	.....	.....	48 85
Annandale	6 37	6 37	.....	.....	.....	.....	12 74
W. M. Union .....	.....	.....	.....	254 13	.....	.....	254 13
Totals	835 89	279 14	18 35	1095 11	.....	930 88	3159 37
CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER							
Blooming Grove	12 00	.....	.....	28 40	.....	3 50	43 90
Castleton	120 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	125 00
Chatham	39 00	.....	.....	61 00	.....	31 50	131 50
Ghent, First	7 51	5 31	.....	44 74	.....	3 00	60 56
Ghent, Second	42 80	.....	.....	66 63	.....	11 84	121 27
West Ghent .....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	2 00
Greenbush	30 00	15 00	.....	85 50	.....	5 00	135 50
Kinderhook	219 07	150 00	35 00	46 76	.....	46 78	497 61
Nassau	27 90	10 10	5 00	69 00	.....	20 65	132 65
New Concord .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	2 00
Rensselaer, First	13 25	.....	.....	22 81	.....	.....	36 06
Schodack .....	.....	.....	.....	30 19	.....	2 50	32 69
Schodack Landing .....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	5 00
Stuyvesant	9 45	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 43	10 88
De Forestville (Blooming Grove Ch.) .....	.....	.....	13 15	.....	.....	.....	13 15
W. M. Union .....	.....	.....	.....	18 50	.....	.....	18 50
Totals	520 98	180 41	55 15	478 53	.....	133 20	1368 27
CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER							
Clymer, Abbe	140 00	135 00	35 00	50 00	.....	200 00	560 00
Newark, Arcadia .....	.....	15 34	.....	17 00	.....	15 33	47 67
Brighton	64 17	54 44	6 00	28 80	.....	10 15	163 56
Buffalo	10 00	.....	.....	20 00	.....	.....	30 00
Clymerhill	88 80	38 93	5 00	21 10	.....	19 20	173 03
East Williamson	98 23	.....	.....	684 00	.....	34 32	816 55
Marion, First	25 00	60 00	.....	40 00	.....	52 50	177 50
Marion, Second	69 13	71 39	12 00	65 32	.....	37 66	255 50
Ontario	38 00	32 00	.....	20 70	.....	3 50	94 20
Palmyra	67 50	.....	.....	25 00	.....	.....	92 50
Pultneyville	56 53	75 00	5 00	32 00	50 01	218 54
Rochester, First	183 65	107 00	10 00	28 00	10 00	338 65

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CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER (Continued)							
Rochester, Second	255 26	97 90	83 82	436 98
Sodus	25 72	7 36	33 08
Tyre .....	.....	69 00	.....	45 00	.....	.....	114 00
Williamson	36 00	26 30	10 00	80 00	.....	13 19	165 49
Cl. of Rochester M. F.	150 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	150 00
W. M. Union .....	.....	.....	.....	127 00	.....	.....	127 00
Totals	1307 99	684 40	83 00	1381 82	.....	537 04	3994 25
CLASSIS OF SARATOGA							
The Bight	5 00	5 00	.....	17 01	5 00	2 00	34 01
Buskirks	20 00	5 00	.....	17 75	.....	20 00	62 75
Cohoes	130 00	.....	.....	65 00	200 00	.....	395 00
Fort Miller	14 58	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	19 58
Gansevoort	1 20	.....	.....	19 00	.....	1 95	22 15
Greenwich	173 86	.....	.....	66 50	.....	.....	240 36
Northumberland (Bacon Hill) .....	.....	.....	.....	46 67	.....	5 00	51 67
Saratoga	22 15	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 80	28 95
West Troy, North	45 90	.....	.....	80 58	.....	19 93	146 41
Wynantskill .....	.....	.....	.....	20 00	.....	.....	20 00
W. M. Union .....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	10 00
Schaghticoke .....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	5 00
Totals	412 69	10 00	.....	352 51	205 00	55 68	1035 88
CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY							
Altamont	39 94	.....	.....	71 00	.....	5 00	115 94
Vischer's Ferry	9 02	.....	.....	21 00	.....	.....	30 02
Glenville, First	9 00	.....	.....	70 00	.....	8 00	87 00
Helderburg	21 36	.....	.....	42 65	1 00	.....	65 01
Lisha's Kill .....	.....	.....	.....	58 00	.....	.....	58 00
Niskayuna	86 00	18 00	7 50	117 50	.....	10 00	239 00
Princeton	7 92	3 78	.....	44 00	.....	.....	55 70
Rotterdam, First	25 00	.....	.....	106 59	.....	.....	131 59
Rotterdam, Second .....	.....	.....	.....	19 85	.....	.....	19 85
Schenectady, First	92 42	12 00	.....	245 76	.....	24 02	374 20
Schenectady, Second	160 00	59 25	.....	190 50	.....	.....	409 75
Bellevue	217 58	40 18	.....	316 13	.....	24 66	598 55
Hope Chapel S. S. ....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	10 00
Mt. Pleasant	45 00	.....	.....	118 24	.....	35 00	198 24
Scotia	165 00	.....	.....	98 17	.....	10 00	273 17
Woodlawn	10 23	3 00	5 00	16 52	34 75
W. M. Union	63 20	63 20
Totals	888 47	136 21	12 50	1599 11	1 00	126 68	2763 97

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CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE							
Berne	26 00			40 25		10 00	76 25
West Berne	7 00						7 00
Cobleskill	42 08			19 29		11 69	73 06
Gilboa	2 75						2 75
Grand Gorge	21 28			9 50			21 28
Howes Cave, First	10 00			23 00		5 00	19 50
Howes Cave, Second	20 00			39 39			48 00
Lawyersville	36 21			17 28		17 09	75 60
Middleburgh	41 00		7 31	5 00			82 68
No. Blenheim				10 00			5 00
Schoharie	37 20	25 00				15 00	87 20
Sharon	18 83						18 83
W. M. Union				10 70			10 70
Totals	262 35	25 00	7 31	174 41		58 78	527 85
CLASSIS OF ULSTER							
Comforter	28 38	5 00	7 35	21 00		5 00	66 73
Esopus	8 00			9 30			17 30
Flatbush, Lake Katrine		7 35		9 25		2 00	18 60
High Woods	4 23					2 65	6 88
Roxbury, Jay Gould Memorial	24 91			22 99			47 90
Katsbaan	27 80		10 55				38 35
Kingston, First	163 27	45 00		176 18			384 45
Port Ewen	14 49			15 00		7 31	36 80
Plattekill	10 00			8 04			18 04
Saugerties	80 00	20 00		80 95			180 95
Shokan	18 00					6 00	24 00
West Hurley	7 00						7 00
Woodstock	15 00			1 00			16 00
W. M. Union				2 84			2 84
Totals	401 08	77 35	17 90	346 55		22 96	865 84
CLASSIS OF WESTCHESTER							
Bronxville	100 00	65 49		3 75		433 76	974 25
Cortlandtown				123 81		3 00	126 81
Elmsford, Greenburg	125 00			30 00		20 00	175 00
Greenville	13 60			23 00		3 00	39 60
Hastings	10 00	10 00					20 00
Mt. Vernon	141 37	36 55		115 00	6 85	21 60	321 37
Yonkers, Mile Square	15 00			4 00		12 00	31 00
Nyack	130 70	25 20		184 00		27 26	367 16
Yonkers, Park Hill	500 62	18 64		192 30		23 85	735 41
Peekskill, Van Nest				11 10		7 50	18 60
Tarrytown, First	164 60			199 30		67 70	431 60
Tarrytown, Second	24 10	35 00		94 50		5 00	158 60
Hawthorne, Unionville	8 27			21 00		2 40	31 67
Yonkers, First	75 08			106 00		22 00	203 08
W. M. Union				20 63		15 63	36 26
Totals	1308 34	190 88		1499 64	6 85	664 70	3670 41

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CLASSIS OF WISCONSIN							
Alto	590 71	181 87	123 87	216 10	82 00	700 00	1894 53
Baldwin	130 00	37 00		196 00	2 00	88 15	453 15
Cedar Grove	386 00		10 00	84 98	25 35	119 00	625 33
Forrestville	8 47					5 80	14 27
Gibbsville	326 58	90 75	30 00	109 00		116 95	673 28
Greenleafston	279 37	73 04		40 00		85 48	477 89
Hingham	117 81		10 00	118 55		53 40	299 76
Sheboygan, Hope	25 50	36 82	15 60	25 75		9 55	113 22
Milwaukee, First	117 68	80 00		210 00		111 35	519 03
Oostburg	65 50	17 80		77 30		32 00	192 60
Randolph	85 10						85 10
Friesland	261 38			91 79		46 00	399 17
Sheboygan Falls	11 20					14 30	25 50
Sheboygan Co. M. Fest...	90 00					24 16	114 16
Vesper	5 22						5 22
Waupun	337 49	181 29	20 00	141 17	5 00	197 19	882 14
Whiteside Co. M. Fest...	132 42					29 43	161 85
W. M. Union.....				41 19			41 19
Totals	2970 43	698 57	209 47	1351 83	114 35	1632 76	6977 41

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PARTICULAR SYNOD OF ALBANY							
Albany	2190 79	136 30	8 00	2355 33	25 74	219 81	4935 97
Greene	193 27	16 85	5 00	232 10	40 00	635 20	1122 42
Montgomery	825 10	182 01	20 00	1078 92		159 97	2266 00
Rensselaer	520 98	180 41	55 15	478 53		133 20	1368 27
Rochester	1307 99	684 40	83 00	1381 82		537 04	3994 25
Saratoga	412 69	10 00		352 51	205 00	55 68	1035 88
Schenectady	888 47	136 21	12 50	1599 11	1 00	126 68	2763 97
Schoharie	262 35	25 00	7 31	174 41		58 78	527 85
Ulster	401 08	77 35	17 90	346 55		22 96	865 84
Totals	7002 72	1448 53	208 86	7999 28	271 74	1949 32	18880 45
PARTICULAR SYNOD OF CHICAGO							
Cascades	286 67	57 00	20 00	79 70	1 50	34 78	479 65
Chicago	3833 05	1176 41	44 75	856 45		2338 13	8248 79
Dakota	3125 15	285 41	55 00	582 00	166 73	452 22	4666 51
Germania	670 28	59 71		40 00		82 00	851 99
Grand River	5070 28	2522 22	209 17	1274 75	520 69	1232 91	10830 02
Holland	4587 52	2606 55	234 35	1534 18	1109 00	2461 72	12533 32
Illinois	1081 68	421 09	12 00	224 42	86 66	180 77	2006 62
Iowa	10768 07	2968 94	216 43	2202 05	677 47	5589 58	22422 54
Michigan	4178 49	957 47	67 00	1376 73	1006 58	1578 48	9164 75
Pella	1898 10	394 09	28 00	2070 27	69 30	592 38	5052 14
Pleasant Prairie	2239 07	229 70	10 00	233 11	6 00	234 92	2952 80
Wisconsin	2970 43	698 57	209 47	1351 83	114 35	1632 76	6977 41
Totals	40708 79	12377 16	1106 17	11825 49	3758 28	16410 65	86186 54
PARTICULAR SYNOD OF NEW BRUNSWICK							
Bergen	888 57	208 70	18 58	816 25	36 20	234 88	2203 18
So. Cl. of Bergen	1456 32	197 33	23 85	670 27	25 00	201 64	2574 41
Monmouth	286 18	161 48	2 50	460 82		194 25	1105 23
Newark	2713 71	102 94	14 23	3090 67	3 35	958 33	6883 23
New Brunswick	2340 39	355 68		1552 14	10 00	287 98	4546 19
Palisades	1993 40	125 63		478 82	70 77	282 82	2951 44
Paramus	4243 13	861 32	11 86	2763 89	192 01	1010 71	9082 92
Passaic	2080 53	297 10	19 63	973 70	100 00	361 21	3832 17
Philadelphia	741 45	171 21	34 15	422 62		293 01	1662 44
Raritan	835 89	279 14	18 35	1095 11		930 88	3159 37
Totals	17579 57	2760 53	143 15	12324 29	437 33	4755 71	38000 58
PARTICULAR SYNOD OF NEW YORK							
Hudson	1021 09	145 72	31 71	408 53		78 00	1685 05
Kingston	969 66	63 70	19 30	512 63		152 80	1718 09
No. Cl. of Long Island	1296 48	363 22	36 00	1147 72		1406 66	4250 08
So. Cl. of Long Island	4130 42	532 81	10 00	2419 32	66 00	909 62	8068 17
New York	11039 30	652 43	115 63	9493 37	490 00	2623 58	24414 31
Orange	1241 02	146 50	24 50	482 68		798 00	2692 70
Poughkeepsie	886 15	140 13	27 00	934 18		115 69	2103 15
Westchester	1308 34	190 88		1499 64	6 85	664 70	3670 41
Totals	21892 46	2235 39	264 14	16898 07	562 85	6749 05	48601 96
Grand Totals	87183 54	18821 61	1722 32	49047 13	5030 20	29864 73	191669 53

FROM INDIVIDUALS—NOT THROUGH CHURCHES

"A Friend"	\$1,000 00	Friend of Missions.....	100 00
"A Friend"	30 00	Friend of the Cause.....	10 00
"A Friend from Cleveland".....	25 00	"From W."	100 00
"A Friend of Missions".....	500 00	Glastonbury, Conn., First Ch.	
"A member, First Ref. Ch.,		of Christ, S. S.	19 75
Rochester, N. Y."	25 00	Gubb, Francis	5 00
Bahler, Rev. P. G.	5 00	Gulick, Rev. George W.....	5 00
Bakker, Mr. and Mrs. D....	25 00	Harrington, Miss L. V.....	10 00
Basman, J. W.	2 00	Harris, S. G.	25 00
Bekkens, Anthony	2 50	Heibult, W. D.	5 00
Beltman, John	2 00	Hoagland, Mrs. H. W.....	2 00
Bennett, Frank	2 00	Hoffman, John D.....	1 00
Bogardus, Rev. Francis M...	12 50	Holden, G. E.....	2 00
Bolks, Miss Josephine.....	5 00	Holland, Mich., Hope College	350 00
Boom, E.	5 00	Hollebrands, Wm.	10 00
Bruin, D. K.	10 00	Hollman, Edw.	10 00
Bungerz, K.	2 00	Home Folks Syndicate.....	800 00
Carpenter, George W., Jr...	20 00	Hoven, John	12 50
"Cash"	10 00	Hunter, Mrs. H. E.....	2 00
"Cash"	5 00	Iben, R.	5 00
"Cash"	5 00	In Memory of Rev. J. M.	
"Cash, March 31st"	200 00	Van Buren	25 00
Chicago Missionary Committee	75 00	In Memory of W.....	100 00
Chrestensen, Rev. D. H....	7 00	In Memory of Wm. Walvoord	250 00
Cleveland, George, Estate of	188 24	Jansen, Frank	1 00
Cleveland, O., Christian Ref.		Keith, James D.....	125 00
(West Side)	30 00	"Kingston, N. Y.".....	100 00
Cobb, Miss E. P.	20 00	Kooiker, G. J.	35 00
Colby, Dr. W. W.....	10 00	Kroodsmas, Rev. Robert....	21 25
Cooper, Mrs. D.	8 00	Labagh, Miss M. B.....	10 00
Craig, Rev. Horace P.....	18 00	Labaw, Rev. George W.....	5 00
Cuff, William	65 00	Lake, Miss Agnes N.....	60 00
Dangremond, Rev. G.	5 00	Lansing, Sidney O.	20 00
DeHeidenwereld Fund ...	98 11	Legters, J. J. and C.....	210 00
DeHoogh, D. J.	5 00	Lehwerzer, F.	10 00
Deiseroth, Henry M.	5 00	"L. T. J."	300 00
DeKleine Family Syndicate.	300 00	MacNair, Rev. W.	19 10
DeVries, Mr. and Mrs. C.,		MacNair, W. L.	1 00
Jr.	50 00	Madsen, Peter, Jr.	1 00
DeYoung, J.	5 00	Manton, Elsie, Estate of...	20 00
"D. S. M."	35 00	Mason, Rev. A. DeW.....	25 00
Dumont, Mrs. E. A.	100 00	"Member of Alto, Wis."....	350 00
"E. G. R."	25 00	Meury, Mrs. S.	2 00
Einga, M. Ule	10 00	Millspaugh, Mr. and Mrs. M.	
"Family at Alto, Wis.".....	350 00	B.	7 00
Fisher, Miss A. V. W.....	150 00	Monroe, Miss M. L.	5 00
Fortmann, Albert	30 00	Monthaan, Miss Sarah.....	5 00
Francis, Rev. L.	50 00	Mulford, Rev. H. D. B.....	25 00
Frederick, Charles F.	5 00	Murray, Mrs. David.....	20 00
Friend	10 00	Myers, Rev. Henry V. S....	25 00
"Friend, First Ref. Ch.,		New Brunswick, Theo. Sem.	
Rochester, N. Y.".....	50 00	Stud.	51 50

Newburgh, N. Y., Associated		Student of Princeton, N. J..	5 00
Ch.	12 00	Swart, D.	1 00
Nies, Miss Hattie	2 54	Tennyson, W. E.	25 00
Noekel, Miss Maria	50 00	TeWinkel, Miss J. V.....	54 16
Obbink, Dirk J.....	22 50	Thacher, Ray	3 00
Oggel, Dr. H. D.	20 00	Toussaint, Mrs. Simon.....	50 00
Olcott, Alfred V. S.....	75 00	Two Old Friends.....	7,500 00
Olcott, Charles T.	75 00	"Unknown Friend"	415 25
Olcott, Mrs. E. E.	50 00	Van Boven, Harry	2 00
Olcott, Mason	75 00	Van Bruggen, Wm.	10 00
Olmsted, Miss C. J.....	50	Van Erden Re-union	5 00
Pietenpol, Rev. and Mrs. H.		Vande Braak, E. V.....	18 50
J.	10 00	Vande Kamp, J.	5 00
Porter, Miss Ina D.	2 00	Van Keulen, W. J. G.....	10 00
Post, Mr. and Mrs. Wm....	10 00	Van Koekel, Wm.	5 00
Rapelje, Daniel	15 00	Vanderbilt, Hiram	5 00
Read, Rev. Edw. G.....	10 00	Vander Hart, W.	10 00
Redeker, J. H.	5 00	Vander Molen, Mr. and Mrs.	
Reynhoudt, Hubert	5 00	R.	9 00
Richardson, Miss Mabel J..	20 00	Vande Roovaart, J. F.....	25 00
Riemstra, J.	1 50	Van Thoff, Wm. M.....	5 00
Rietveld, Fred	100 00	Van Wyk Missionary Syndi-	
Roorde, Gerrit I.	5 00	cate	375 00
Rosedale, Mrs. S. E.....	10 00	Varick, Miss Margaret L....	5 00
Sanford, George A.....	10 00	Vedder, Arthur G.....	49 00
Schenck, M. Van Buren.....	5 00	Veenendaal, Henry	10 00
Schenck, Rev. F. S.....	20 00	Voorhees, M. V. D.....	5 00
Schermer, Mrs. T.	200 00	Voss, John	10 00
Schroder, H. E.	5 00	Vrooman, S. B.	10 00
Schoep, G. H.....	500 00	Walvoord, Mrs. Wm.....	25 00
Shutts, Mrs. W.	5 00	Warner, George K.	1 00
Sioux Center, Ia., L. V.		Western Theol. Sem. Students	43 87
Circle	35 00	Wever, Henry	5 00
Smart, John G.	10 00	Williams, Miss K. L.....	3 00
Smeyers, George	150 00	Wohlfarth, Miss Amelia....	1 00
Smies, D.	10 00	Woodman, M. A.	2 00
Sprig, C.	50 00	Woodruff, Mrs. W. A.....	2 00
Stager, H. J.	3 00	Zwiers, G.	10 00
Stillwell, John L.	10 00	W. B. F. M.....	15,335 78
Strabbing, H. D.	1 00		
			\$32,546 05

THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS, R.C.A.

LEGACIES

Thomas Edwards	\$23,670 00
Elizabeth Van Schaik Winthrop.....	2,500 00
Hiley Merselis	2,977 10
Caroline Brundage	100 00
John Lemmenes	13,367 79
Catharine Van Deusen	369 86
K. Schaddelee	17 50
George W. Carpenter, Jr.	400 00
James Lane	100 00
Roelof J. De Ring.....	25 00
Hendrikus Hof	300 00
	\$43,827 25

RECEIPTS OF THE BOARD SINCE 1857, IN PERIODS OF FIVE YEARS, WITH TOTALS AND AVERAGES.

Years.	Receipts.	Totals for Five Years.	Average for Five Years.	Increase.	Decrease.
Total, 1858-1862.		\$134,055 49	\$26,811 10		
1863.....	\$42,257 36				
1864.....	35,391 18				
1865.....	82,038 22				
1866.....	55,783 75				
1867.....	*63,030 89				
		278,501 40	55,700 28	\$28,899 18	
1868.....	53,472 91				
1869.....	81,410 38				
1870.....	57,342 94				
1871.....	71,125 52				
1872.....	65,173 26				
		328,525 01	65,705 00	10,004 72	
1873.....	83,948 61				
1874.....	55,352 95				
1875.....	54,249 95				
1876.....	64,342 91				
1877.....	58,152 53				
		316,046 95	63,209 37		\$2,495 63
1878.....	69,085 87				
1879.....	58,443 49				
1880.....	63,185 71				
1881.....	92,984 32				
1882.....	58,184 71				
		341,884 10	68,376 82	5,167 45	
1883.....	65,294 58				
1884.....	76,955 23				
1885.....	88,131 04				
1886.....	86,386 55				
1887.....	86,787 02				
		403,544 42	80,708 88	12,332 06	
1888.....	†109,946 11				
1889.....	93,142 24				
1890.....	117,090 14				
1891.....	116,265 45				
1892.....	112,163 59				
		548,607 53	109,721 50	29,012 62	
1893.....	136,688 10				
1894.....	106,571 48				
1895.....	†111,288 00				
1896.....	154,139 42				
1897.....	111,111 89				
		619,798 89	123,959 77	14,238 27	
1898.....	124,301 18				
1899.....	126,838 36				
1900.....	147,213 78				
1901.....	173,204 12				
1902.....	167,911 73				
		739,469 17	147,893 89	23,934 12	
1903.....	158,894 94				
1904.....	142,474 79				
1905.....	150,239 94				
1906.....	174,464 74				
1907.....	179,232 60				
		805,307 01	161,061 40	13,167 51	
1908.....	197,468 26				
1909.....	205,372 64				
1910.....	207,404 59				
1911.....	282,231 86				
1912.....	284,269 36				
		1,176,746 71	235,349 34	74,287 94	
1913.....	255,838 47				
1914.....	321,942 58				
1915.....	300,752 51				
1916.....	309,419 86				
1917.....	302,453 02				
		1,490,406 44	298,087 29	37,262 05	
1918.....	325,292 08				

*In addition \$56,500 were given by Mr. Warren Ackerman to remove the debt resting on the Board.

†In addition \$45,335.06 were given for the Endowment of the Theological Seminary in the Arcot Mission, through the efforts of Rev. Jacob Chamberlain, D.D.

‡From 1895, receipts of the Arabian Mission are included. The total amount received since 1857, for all Missions, is \$7,611,020.26.

THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS, R.C.A.

STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES

FOR THE YEAR MAY 1, 1917, TO APRIL 30, 1918

EXHIBIT "A"

<i>Revenue</i>	
Collections	\$184,523 20
One Day's Income.....	9,593 28
Legacies—net	43,827 25
Special Fund for New Missionaries' Expenses.....	12,070 00
Income available for the Board from Invested Funds:	
Security Fund	\$2,999 11
John Neefus Educational Fund.....	319 00
Isaac Brodhead Fund.....	52 50
P. I. and M. K. Neefus Fund	258 75
General Funds	4,243 03
	7,872 39
Income from Funds held in Trust by Board of Direction...	579 93
Gifts for Specific Purposes—Exhibit "C".....	14,237 15
Sale of North Japan Mission Buildings.....	1,000 00
Total Revenue	\$273,703 20
<i>Expenditures.</i>	
Mission Work:	
Amoy	\$49,635 20
Arcot	78,292 45
Japan	76,551 33
	\$204,478 98
Preliminary Expenses of New Missionaries	1,558 15
Expenditures on account of Specific Gifts—	
Exhibit "C"	15,034 48
	\$221,071 61
General Expenditures:	
Expenses in re Conditional Gifts.....	\$ 125 00
Discount and Interest.....	2,037 88
Legacy Expense	500 00
Mission Conference	261 00
Unsettled Shipping Expense.....	725 30
Anglo-American Communities Committee..	200 00
	3,849 18
Home Expenditures:	
Rent and Care of Office.....	\$ 1,377 71
Salaries	10,525 65
Account Books and Stationery.....	365 05
Stenographers and Typewriters.....	2,125 14
Postage, Telegraph and Cables.....	942 86
Office Furniture and Repairs.....	574 84
Auditing	100 00
Incidentals	213 04
Books Purchased	29 28
Publishing Annual Report.....	638 34
Pamphlets and Leaflets.....	1,233 17
Illustrating Literature	149 22
"Mission Field"	1,247 84
Telephone	236 31
"The Christian Intelligencer".....	214 25
Circulars and Miscellaneous Printing.....	250 22
Travel Among Churches.....	852 84
Travel of Classical Missionary Agents.....	69 65
Expenses of District Secretary	298 39
Department of Missionary Education.....	326 25
	\$ 21,770 05
Total Expenditures	\$246,690 84
Excess of Revenue over Expenditures for year.....	\$ 27,012 36

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Sale of North Japan Mission Buildings—reserved.....	\$ 1,000 00	
Less:		
Excess of Remittances of Special Gifts over Receipts for year—Exhibit "C".....	797 33	202 67
Balance for the year credited to Surplus Account....		\$ 26,809 69
<i>Surplus Account</i>		
Balance (Deficit) May 1, 1917—per last Report.....		\$ 29,395 84
Surplus of Revenue for the year (as above).....		26,809 69
Balance (Deficit) April 30, 1918—Exhibit "B".....		\$ 2,586 15

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

APRIL 30, 1918

EXHIBIT "B"

Assets

Cash for General Purposes.....		\$ 10,267 05
Securities and Special Deposits—Schedule No. 1:		
Railroad Bonds	\$ 83,859 19	
Stocks	6,837 50	
Bonds and Mortgages.....	220,652 10	
U. S. Liberty Bonds.....	2,500 00	
Real Estate—No. 236 West 62d Street, New York City.	17,177 22	
Union Trust Company—Trust Account.....	3,873 14	
Promissory Note	100 00	
	\$334,999 15	
Cash for special purposes.....	32,228 37	367,227 52
Advances to Missions for May and June, 1918.....		9,390 45
Amount due from Rev. John R. Duffield.....		828 72
Deferred Charges:		
Excess of Payments to Annuitants over Income from Investment of "Conditional Gifts"		946 71
Total Assets		\$388,660 45
Excess of Liabilities over Assets—Exhibit "A".....		2,586 15
		\$391,246 60

Liabilities

Funds—Schedule No. 2:		
Trust Funds	\$244,233 52	
Conditional Gifts	29,611 79	
Temporary Funds	8,241 10	
Security Funds	65,153 83	
		\$347,240 24
Missionary's Special Deposit		100 00
Moneys received for special transmission.....		75 80
Moneys received for Japan College—Not transmitted.....		20,487 27
Ex-appropriation Gifts not remitted.....		5,568 44
Borrowed from Amoy Mission.....		13,889 13
Missionary's Salary		789 02
Sale of North Japan Mission Buildings (Reserved).....		1,000 00
Income on Funds—To be remitted.....		575 36
Deferred Credits:		
Reserve of Rents received held for accrued expenses.....		1,521 34
		\$391,246 60

THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS, R.C.A.
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
OF DESIGNATED GIFTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 1918

EXHIBIT "C"

Receipts

Gifts Ex-appropriation, General:

Specific Work (at discretion of Board).....	\$ 200 00
Salary of Missionary.....	1,475 00
Newspaper Evangelization in North Japan.....	100 00
Newspaper Advertising in South Japan.....	2,192 31
Rebuilding Stations in India.....	722 78
Additional Buildings for Steele Academy.....	1,010 00
Netherlands Committee for Wilhelmina Hospital, Amoy.....	310 00
China Education Fund.....	12 00
Tong An School.....	101 51
Amoy Hospital	2,383 92
From the Woman's Board for various purposes.....	5,729 63
Total Receipts—Exhibit "A".....	\$ 14,237 15

Disbursements

Gifts Ex-Appropriation, General:

Salary of Missionary	\$ 980 00
Salary of Missionary.....	1,475 00
Newspaper Evangelization in North Japan.....	100 00
Newspaper Advertising in South Japan.....	2,192 31
Rebuilding Stations in India.....	1,794 82
Additional Buildings for Steele Academy.....	1,010 00
Netherlands Committee for Wilhelmina Hospital, Amoy...	310 00
Amoy Hospital	3,397 46
For various purposes—from Woman's Board.....	5,729 63
Total Disbursements	\$ 16,989 22
Included in May and June Remittances.....	1,954 74
Net Disbursements for the year.....	15,034 48
Excess of Gifts remitted over Receipts—Exhibit "A".....	\$ 797 33
Balance unremitted—May 1, 1917.....	6,365 77
Balance unremitted—April 30, 1918.....	\$ 5,568 44

THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS, R.C.A.

LIST OF SECURITIES

EXHIBIT "B"

SCHEDULE NO. 1

APRIL 30, 1918

Railroad Bonds:

29 Illinois Central 1st Mtg. 3½s.....	\$29,000 00	
6 Lehigh Valley Ry. 1st 4½s.....	6,000 00	
12 West Shore 1st 4s.....	12,000 00	
6 Central R. R. of N. J. Gen. 5s.....	6,000 00	
1 N. Y. C. & H. R. R. R. Gen. 4s.....	1,000 00	
14 Reading Gen. 4s.....	13,915 44	
3 Manhattan Ry. Con. 4s.....	3,000 00	
10 So. Pacific Ref. 4s.....	8,437 50	
5 So. Pacific 1st Ref. 4s.....	4,506 25	
		\$ 83,859 19

Stocks:

25 Shares U. S. Steel Pfd.....	\$ 2,762 50	
50 Shares Morris & Essex	4,075 00	
		6,837 50

Bonds and Mortgages:

87 Ludlow Street, New York City.....	\$23,000 00	
292 East 7th Street, New York City.....	22,000 00	
333 East 152d Street, New York City.....	4,500 00	
69 West 10th Street, New York City.....	676 10	
531 West 144th Street, New York City.....	11,500 00	
340 Hart Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.....	3,750 00	
Brandon Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.....	4,000 00	
1445 Minford Place, New York City.....	14,000 00	
Western Mortgages	2,226 00	
76th Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.....	4,250 00	
14th Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.....	5,500 00	
54th Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.....	7,750 00	
176th Street, New York City.....	29,500 00	
East 165th Street, New York City.....	20,500 00	
West 136th Street, New York City.....	7,500 00	
West 152d Street, New York City.....	45,000 00	
Fifth Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.....	11,500 00	
Eighth Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.....	3,500 00	
		220,652 10

Liberty Loan 4s.....	\$ 2,150 00	
Liberty Loan 4¼s.....	350 00	
		2,500 00

Real Estate:

236 West 62d Street, New York City.....	17,177 22	
Union Trust Company—Trust Account.....	3,873 14	
Promissory Note	100 00	

Cash to Be Invested:

In Bank of Metropolis.....	\$31,228 37	
In Hackensack National Bank.....	1,000.00	
		32,228 37

Total Investment and Cash—Exhibit "B".....	\$367,227 52
Total Funds—Schedule No. 2.....	
Total General Income Invested.....	

**THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS, R.C.A.
STATEMENT OF TRUST AND SECURITY FUNDS**

APRIL 30, 1918

**EXHIBIT "B"
SCHEDULE NO. 2**

Endowment Funds:		
E. R. Voorhees College.....	\$12,890 83	
Arcot Industrial School.....	20,076 44	
Amoy Hospital	2,709 58	
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		\$35,676 85
Ranipettai Hospital:		
I. Brodhead	\$ 1,000 00	
Mrs. J. W. Broadhead	1,308 54	
M. Schaddelee	785 00	
Scudder Memorial	10,885 87	
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		13,979 41
		<hr/>
		\$ 49,656 26
Ministerial Education in India:		
G. B. Walbridge Fund.....	\$ 5,000 00	
Christiana Jansen Fund	12,555 36	
Joseph Scudder Fund	2,000 00	
William R. Gordon Fund.....	2,000 00	
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		21,555 36
Ministerial Education in Japan:		
John Neefus Fund		9,379 86
Support of Native Pastors in India:		
C. L. Wells Memorial.....		15,316 54
Support of Native Preachers in India:		
P. I. and Mary Neefus Fund.....		18,045 09
Held in Trust for Others:		
Susan Y. Lansing Fund for Woman's Board.....	\$ 5,000 00	
Susan Y. Lansing Fund for Arabian Mission.....	2,500 00	
J. Penfold Fund for Women's Board.....	5,000 00	
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		12,500 00
General Funds:		
A. J. Shaefer Fund.....	\$ 194 25	
Alida Van Schaick Fund.....	30,000 00	
A. C. Van Raalte Fund.....	3,000 00	
In Memoriam Fund	500 00	
Garret N. Hopper Fund.....	1,500 00	
John S. Lyles Fund.....	50,000 00	
Permanent Fund	14,550 00	
Cornelia M. Wallace Fund.....	100 00	
J. H. Oerter Memorial Fund	936 16	
Madison Avenue Reformed Church.....	15,000 00	
E. Diehl Memorial Fund.....	2,000 00	
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		117,780 41
Total Trust Funds.....		<hr/>
		\$244,233 52
Conditional Gifts:		
Semelink Family Mission Fund	\$16,000 00	
K. Schaddelee	111 79	
Dirk J. Obbink.....	500 00	
Mary C. Van Brunt.....	7,000 00	
Mr. and Mrs. J. Visser.....	500 00	
D. J. De Bey.....	1,000 00	
Miss Mary Voorhees	1,000 00	
Peter Cortelyou	2,500 00	
A. B. Churchman	1,000 00	
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		29,611 79
Temporary Funds:		
Blauvelt Memorial Hospital	\$ 2,000 00	
Cornelis Punt Memorial—China	2,099 25	
Amoy Diamond Jubilee Fund.....	4,141 85	
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		8,241 10
Security Funds		<hr/>
		65,153 83
Total Funds—Exhibit "B"		<hr/>
		\$347,240 24

May 17, 1918.

Howell S. Bennet, Esq., Treasurer,
The Board of Foreign Missions, R. C. A.,
New York City.

Dear Sir: We have completed the audit of the books, records and accounts of your office for the fiscal year ended April 30, 1918, which we submit, together with a letter embodying some comments, and the following statements:

EXHIBIT

"A" STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES—
FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 1918.

"B" STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES—
APRIL 30, 1918.

Schedule

No. 1—Statement showing Investments and How
Distributed.

No. 2—Statement of Trust and Security Funds.

"C" STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS OF
DESIGNATED GIFTS—FOR THE YEAR ENDED
APRIL 30, 1918.

All revenue for the year as indicated by the books was properly accounted for. Expenditures were made by duly executed checks and the canceled checks returned by the bank were examined by us. The balance of cash on hand at April 30, 1918, was verified by actual count and confirmations received from the various depositories.

Schedule No. 1 is a list of the Securities. Those which were in the Treasurer's hands and the safe deposit box were examined by us and such as were in the possession of the Bank of Manhattan Company were confirmed by the Bank. As to the Mortgages, they are shown on this Schedule at their face value, although the Board is mortgagee in possession of the property 1445 Minford Place, and its value can only be determined when realized through sale.

During the past year the Board did not remit to the Amoy Mission all the appropriations made for its use. In lieu thereof the Mission was allowed to expend some moneys in its possession. The amount so borrowed is \$13,889.13, which is shown as a liability. The fluctuations in exchange rates will probably make it necessary to remit approximately \$14,000 in order to settle the amount claimed by the Mission.

Respectfully yours,

LOOMIS, SUFFERN & FERNALD,
Certified Public Accountants.

Board of Foreign Missions,
Reformed Church in America,
25 East 22nd Street,
New York City.

Gentlemen: We have examined the Bonds and Securities of the Board as noted in the Balance Sheet of May 1st, 1918, and set forth particularly in the Board's ledger, and find that they are correct.

We report that the

Par Value of the Stocks and Bonds is.....	\$93,500.00
Their Value on our Books.....	93,196.70
Market Value May 1, 1918.....	79,958.00

By reason of war conditions quotations for bonds are more or less nominal, few sales being made, and the prices do not adequately express values.

The mortgages are in hand and necessary adjustment requiring attention in the hands of Counsel for settlement.

Yours truly,

W. EDW. FOSTER,
Chairman Finance Committee.

New York, May 15, 1918.

ARABIAN MISSION RECEIPTS

MAY 2, 1917, to MAY 2, 1918

As far as possible these amounts have been placed to the credit of the churches in the "Tabular View of Receipts."

FOR MISSIONARIES' SALARIES:

Alto, Wis.	\$700 00
Brooklyn, N. Y., On-the-Heights	600 00
*Chicago, Ill., First Roseland.....	1,400 00
Holland, Mich., First	528 94
Walden, N. Y.	575 00
*Flushing, N. Y.	1,200 00
Kalamazoo, Mich., Second	500 00
Catskill, N. Y.	557 37
N. Y. C. Lenox Ave.	600 00
N. Y. C. St. Nicholas Collegiate.....	500 00
Overisel, Mich.	660 00
Orange City, Ia., First	700 00
Pella, Ia., Second	600 00
Plainfield, N. J., Trinity	700 00
In Memoriam	900 00
*Sioux County Churches, Ia.	2,896 48
Ridgewood, N. J., First	500 00
Somerville, N. J., Second	633 34
Clymer, N. Y., Abbe	200 00
Friend	350 00

SYNDICATES NOT INCLUDED ABOVE:

Brooklyn, N. Y., First Flatbush	5 00
Catskill, N. Y.	61 00
Claverack, N. Y., First	15 00
Little Neck, L. I., Harmony Circle, K. D.....	10 00
Grand Rapids, Mich., Bethany	2 00
Maskat Bible Shop	35 00
High Falls, N. Y., Clove	10 25
Holland, Mich., Third	39 00
Holland, Neb.	100 00
Jamaica, N. Y., First	2 00
New Brunswick, N. J., Second	110 00
New Brunswick, N. J., Theol. Sem. Class of '97.....	3 00
N. Y. C., West End Collegiate.....	65 00
North Holland, Mich.	152 96
Oradell, N. J.,	53 00
Philadelphia, Pa., First	18 00
Raritan, N. J., Third.....	20 50
Other Syndicates	797 20

 \$16,800 04

 * Churches supporting two missionaries.

MISCELLANEOUS GIFTS

"A. C."	10 00	Mason, Dr. L. D.....	50 00
"A Member, First Ref. Ch., Rochester, N. Y."	25 00	Miller, Miss Katherine.....	2 43
Ashley, Miss Susan.....	1 00	Moody Bible Institute.....	25 00
Bahler, Rev. P. G. M.....	2 50	Moody Church, Y. W. B. C..	25 00
Baker, Mrs. Dirk.....	45 00	Mouw, Peter	1 00
Baldwin, Mrs. A. H.....	5 00	Mulder, Dr. C. D., and fam- ily	20 00
Bennink, H. H.	50 00	Newark Bible Class	99 75
Brower, Miss Christine.....	1 10	Oakdale, Pa., First Presby- terian	32 00
Bussing, Miss Sarah A....	10 00	Rees, Miss G. L.....	1 00
Campbell, Miss Carrie M....	5 00	Rice, Miss Laura Wade....	2 00
"Cash"	10 00	Rockwell, Miss Alice.....	1 00
Chicago, Ill., Irving Park Pres. S. S.	15 00	Rossiter, Mrs. M. F.....	1 00
Chicago, Ill., Moody Ch....	170 00	Smies, D.	10 00
Chicago Missionary Commit- tee	30 00	Smith, Miss Kate.....	1 00
Jobb, Miss E. P.....	10 00	Smock, Mrs. J. C.	800 00
De Heidenwereld Fund....	85 00	Stager, H. J.	1 00
Dubbink, Miss Jennie	5 00	Strong, Rev. Wm. V. D....	5 00
"Friend"	5 00	Terry, Mrs. Wilson.....	1 00
"Friend, First Ref. Ch., Rochester, N. Y.".....	30 00	Thoms, Mrs. M. D. P.....	20 00
Friend of Missions.....	500 00	Toussaint, Mrs. Simon.....	35 00
Friesema, Harry	50 00	Two Friends	200 00
Friesema, John	50 00	Two Friends per Miss E. Hobart	1 00
Gulick, Rev. George W.....	5 00	Two Old Friends.....	500 00
Haig, Mrs. C. A.....	23 75	Vandervelde, Miss Susie....	20 00
Hasbrouck, Miss M. L. B..	5 00	Van Houten, Miss J. F.....	10 00
Hills Brothers	250 00	Van Roekel, Geurt	250 00
Hyde, Mrs. E. Francis.....	50 00	Vroom, A. H.	10 00
In Memory of C. B. T....	50 00	Walvoord, Mrs. Wm.	10 00
In Memory of William Wal- voord	100 00	Watson, Mrs. W. L.....	25 00
Ireland, H. G.	3 00	Weber, Edw. R.	3 00
Jenny, Mrs. A.	7 00	Western Theol. Sem. Stu- dents	14 63
MacNair, Rev. Wilmar.....	10 00	Woodbridge, Mrs. S. M.....	50 00
Markley, Mrs. E.....	1 00	Woman's Board	309 07
Mason, Rev. A. DeW.....	50 00		
			\$4,205 23

LEGACIES

Eliza C. Winslow.....	\$377 37
K. Schaddelee	17 50
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	\$394 87

THE ARABIAN MISSION

STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 1918

EXHIBIT "A"

Revenue

Collections:			
Salaries	\$15,222 89		
Syndicates	1,508 91		
"One Day's Income"	3,021 89		
Miscellaneous	19,063 57		
			\$38,817 26
Income from Trust Fund held by Board of Foreign Missions.....			125 00
Income from Trust Fund held by Board of Direction.....			71 50
Income from Security Fund.....			277 50
Bahrien Hospital Endowment Fund Income.....			231 95
Busrah Hospital Endowment Fund Income.....			90 90
Legacies			394 87
Gifts for Specific Purposes:			
University of Michigan—Students' Christian Association			
Dr. Van Vlack	\$ 197 85		
Hospital Work in Arabia	200 00		
			397 85
Total Revenue			\$40,406 83

Expenditures

Remittances to Arabia for Regular Work.....	\$25,066 94		
Individual Accounts of Missionaries.....	13,227 91		
Special Salaries	1,741 63		
	\$40,036 48		
Specific Work—Designated Gifts:			
Salary and Expenses of Dr. Van Vlack..	197 85		
			\$40,234 33
Home Expenses:			
Discount and Interest.....	\$ 262 25		
Rent and Care of Office.....	203 56		
Salaries	1,602 64		
Account Books and Stationery.....	55 01		
Salary of Stenographers and Supplies.....	349 07		
Postage, Telegrams and Cables.....	152 92		
Office Furniture and Repairs.....	93 24		
Incidentals	65 75		
Books purchased	3 58		
Christian Intelligencer	35 75		
Audit	30 00		
Telephone	51 51		
Publishing Annual Report.....	95 36		
Pamphlets and Leaflets	187 20		
Illustrating Literature	28 67		
"Mission Field"	186 42		
"Neglected Arabia"	530 50		
Circulars and Miscellaneous Printing.....	40 60		
Mission Conferences and Reports.....	39 00		
Expenses District Secretary	53 53		
Classical Missionary Agent	10 40		
Missionary Education	48 75		
Shipping Expenses	741 11		
Travel Among Churches	566 45		
			5,433 27
Total Expenditures			45,667 60
Excess of Expenditures over Revenue.....			\$ 5,260 77
Add:			
Specific Gifts received not remitted.....			\$ 200 00
Deficit for the year—to Surplus Account.....			\$ 5,460 77

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SURPLUS ACCOUNT

Balance, May 1, 1917—per last Report.....	\$ 5,020 67
Add—Balance of Legacies unappropriated now transferred for current use	2,100 00
Adjusted Surplus	\$ 7,120 67
Deficit for the year—as above.....	5,460 77
Balance, April 30, 1918—Exhibit "B".....	\$ 1,659 90

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

APRIL 30, 1918

EXHIBIT "B"

<i>Assets</i>	
Cash	\$ 1,548 20
Railroad Bonds	8,400 00
U. S. Liberty Bonds (4%).....	50 00
Bonds and Mortgages.....	7,000 00
Remittances to Arabia for May and June.....	5,293 84
	<u>\$22,292 04</u>
<i>Liabilities</i>	
Funds:	
Medical Work Fund.....	\$ 250 00
Bahrein Hospital Endowment	7,000 00
Busrah Hospital Endowment	2,000 00
Security Fund	5,392 00
Abbie J. Bell Fund.....	200 00
Busrah School Fund	5,428 14
	<u>\$20,270 14</u>
Gifts unremitted	362 00
Surplus—Exhibit "A"	1,659 90
	<u>\$22,292 04</u>

May 17, 1918.

Howell S. Bennet, Esq., Treasurer,
The Arabian Mission,
New York City.

EXHIBIT

"A" STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES—
FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 1918.

"B" STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES—
APRIL 30, 1918.

The revenue was properly accounted for and the expenditures were examined by us and verified by the properly executed checks which were returned by the bank. We also received confirmation of the balance at the close of the year from the Bank of Manhattan Company.

The Securities listed on Exhibit "B" were either examined by us or confirmed by the Bank of Manhattan Company as being in their possession.

The Statement of Assets and Liabilities herewith submitted is in accordance with the books, and, in our opinion, shows the true financial condition of your Board as at April 30, 1918.

Respectfully yours,

LOOMIS, SUFFERN & FERNALD,
Certified Public Accountants.

John Bingham,
Eben E. Olcott,
Finance Committee.

Dear Sir: We have audited the books, records and accounts of your office for the fiscal year ended April 30, 1918, and we submit the following statements:
Approved:

MISSIONARIES OF THE BOARD

The following list contains the names of Missionaries now connected with their various Missions, whether in the field or at home expecting to return, with their addresses, and also those under appointment.

Letter postage to all lands here named, five cents for the first ounce, three cents for each additional ounce or fraction.

Postage on the printed matter, one cent for each two ounces, or fraction.

AMOY MISSION

Only Address—Amoy, China.	WENT OUT
Mrs. Leonard W. Kip	1865
Miss Katharine M. Talmage	1874
Miss Mary E. Talmage	1874
Miss Nellie Zwemer	1891
Miss Margaret C. Morrison	1892
Miss Lily N. Duryee	1894
Rev. A. Livingston Warnshuis, D.D., Shanghai.....	1900
Mrs. Anna D. Warnshuis, Shanghai	1900
Rev. Harry P. Boot	1903
Mrs. Anna H. Boot	1908
Rev. Frank Eckerson	1903
Rev. Henry J. Voskuil	1907
Mrs. Mary W. Voskuil	1908
Rev. Henry P. DePree	1907
Mrs. Kate E. DePree	1907
Miss Katharine R. Green	1907
Rev. Steward Day	(1908-1914) 1916
Mrs. Rachel S. Day	(1908-1914) 1916
John H. Snoke, M.D.	1908
Mrs. Mary E. S. Snoke	1908
Miss Leona Vander Linden	1909
Mr. Herman Renskers	1910
Miss Bessie M. Ogsbury	1910

Edward J. Strick, M.D.	1911
Mrs. Edith M. Strick	1911
Miss Maude Norling	1912
Miss Willemina Murman	1913
Miss Edna K. Beekman	1914
Taeke Bosch, M.D.	1915
Mrs. Margaret B. Bosch	1915
Mr. Fred J. Weersing	1915
Mrs. Bata B. Weersing	1915
Miss Edith C. Boynton	1915
Rev. Lyman A. Talman	1916
Mrs. Rose E. Talman	1916
Rev. H. Michael Veenschoten	1917
Mrs. Stella G. Veenschoten	1917
Rev. Henry Poppen	1918
Mrs. Dorothy T. Poppen	1918
Rev. Harvey I. Todd, under appointment	1918
Mr. Irwin J. Lubbers, under appointment	1917

ARCOT MISSION

General Address—Madras Presidency, India.

Mrs. John Scudder, Vellore	1861
Miss Julia C. Scudder, Ranipettai	1879
Rev. Exekiel C. Scudder, Renipettai	1882
Mrs. Mabel J. Scudder, Ranipettai	1889
Rev. Lewis R. Scudder, M.D., Vellore	1888
Mrs. Ethel T. Scudder, Vellore	1888
Mrs. James A. Beattie, Chittoor	1893
Miss Louisa H. Hart, M.D., Madanapalle	1895
Mr. William H. Farrar, Katpadi	1897
Mrs. Elizabeth W. Farrar, Katpadi	1897
Rev. Walter T. Scudder, Tindivanam	1899
Mrs. Ellen B. Scudder, M.D., Tindivanam	1899
Miss Ida S. Scudder, M.D., Vellore	1899
Miss Annie E. Hancock, Vellore	1899
Miss Alice B. Van Doren, Ranipettai	1903

Miss Henrietta Wynkoop Drury, New Brunswick, N. J...	1906
Miss Delia M. Houghton, Vellore	1908
Rev. Bernard Rottschaefer, Holland, Mich.....	1909
Mrs. Bernice M. Rottschaefer, Holland, Mich.....	1910
Miss Margaret Rottschaefer, Holland, Mich.....	1909
Miss Sarella TeWinkel, Chittoor	1909
Miss Josephine V. TeWinkel, Madanapalle	1909
Bert W. Roy, M.D., 25 East 22nd St., New York.....	1909
Mrs. Nellie M. Roy, 25 East 22nd St., New York.....	1909
Mrs. Henry Honegger, Ranipettai	1910
Rev. John H. Warnshuis, Madanapalle	1913
Mrs. Lilian C. Warnshuis, M.D., Madanapalle	1913
Miss Charlotte C. Wyckoff, Ranipettai	1915
Mr. John D. Muyskens, Madanapalle	1915
Miss Elisabeth W. Conklin, 25 East 22nd St., New York..	1915
Rev. Lambertus Hekhuis, Vellore	1916
Mrs. Jennie I. Hekhuis, Vellore	1916
Rev. Herbert E. Van Vranken, Chittoor	1917
Mrs. Nellie S. Van Vranken, Chittoor	1917
Rev. John C. Van Wyk, Madanapalle	1917
Mrs. Amelia M. Van Wyk, Madanapalle	1917
Miss Wilhelmina Noordyk, Madanapalle	1917
Mr. Cornelius R. Wierenga, Tindivanam	1917
Mr. E. Paul McLean, under appointment	1918
Miss Clara M. Coburn, under appointment	1918
Miss Maude S. Scudder, under appointment	1918

JAPAN MISSION

General Address—Japan.

Rev. James H. Ballagh, D.D., Yokohama	1861
Rev. Eugene S. Booth, D.D., 178 Bluff, Yokohama.....	1879
Mrs. M. N. Wyckoff, Tokyo	1881
Miss M. Leila Winn, Aomori, Iwate Ken	1882
Rev. Albert Oltmans, D.D., Meiji Gakuin, Tokyo	1886
Mrs. Alice V. Oltmans, Meiji Gakuin, Tokyo.....	1886
Miss Julia Moulton, 178 Bluff, Yokohama	1889
Rev. Albertus Pieters, Oita	1891

Mrs. Emma T. Pieters, Oita	1891
Miss Sara M. Couch, Nagasaki	1892
Rev. Harman V. S. Peeke, D.D., Saga.....	(1889-1892) 1893
Mrs. Vesta O. Peeke, Sage	1893
Miss Harriet M. Lansing, Fukuoka	1893
Rev. D. C. Ruigh, 25 East 22nd St., New York.....	1901
Mrs. Christine C. Ruigh, 25 East 22nd St., New York....	1904
Miss Jennie A. Pieters, Shimonoseki	1904
Miss Jennie M. Kuyper, 178 Bluff, Yokohama	1905
Mr. Anthony Walvoord, Nagasaki	1905
Mrs. Edith Walvoord, Nagasaki	1905
Mr. Walter E. Hoffsommer, Meiji Gakuin, Tokyo.....	1907
Mrs. Grace P. Hoffsommer, Meiji Gakuin, Tokyo.....	1907
Rev. Willis G. Hoekje, Morioka	1907
Mrs. Annie N. Hoekje, Morioka	1912
Rev. Hubert Kuyper, Orange City, Ia.	1911
Miss Jeane Noordhoff, Shimonoseki	1911
Rev. David Van Strien, Kurume	1912
Rev. Luman J. Shafer, Nagasaki	1912
Mrs. Amy K. Shafer, Nagasaki	1912
Miss May B. Demarest, Yokohama	1912
Rev. Stephen W. Ryder, Kagoshima	1913
Mrs. Reba C. Ryder, Kagoshima	1914
Miss Hendrine E. Hospers, Saga	1913
Miss Evelyn F. Oltmans, Shimonoseki	1914
Miss Janet Oltmans, 178 Bluff, Yokohama	1914
Rev. Alex. Van Bronkhorst, Kurume	1916
Mrs. Helena de M. Van Bronkhorst, Kurume	1916
Rev. Henry V. E. Stegeman, Language Study, Tokyo....	1917
Mrs. Gertrude H. Stegeman, Language Study, Tokyo....	1917
Miss Anna M. Fleming, under appointment	1918

ARABIAN MISSION

General Address—Via Bombay.

Rev. James Cantine, D.D., Basrah, Persian Gulf.....	1889
Mrs. Elizabeth G. Cantine, Basrah, Persian Gulf.....	1902

Rev. Samuel M. Zwemer, D.D., Cairo, Egypt	1890
Mrs. Amy W. Zwemer, Cairo, Egypt	1896
Rev. Fred J. Barny, Basrah, Persian Gulf	1897
Mrs. Margaret R. Barny, Basrah, Persian Gulf.....	1898
Rev. James E. Moerdyk, Basrah, Persian Gulf	1900
Rev. John Van Ess, Basrah, Persian Gulf	1902
Mrs. Dorothy F. Van Ess, Basrah, Persian Gulf	1909
Miss Jennie A. Scardefield, Bahrein, Persian Gulf.....	1903
Miss Fanny Lutton, Maskat, Arabia	1904
Rev. Dirk Dykstra, Bahrein, Persian Gulf	1906
Mrs. Minnie W. Dykstra, Bahrein, Persian Gulf	1907
C. Stanley G. Mylrea, M.D., Kuwait, Persian Gulf.....	1906
Mrs. Bessie London Mylrea, Kuwait, Persian Gulf	1906
Rev. Gerrit J. Pennings, Bahrein, Persian Gulf	1908
Rev. Edwin E. Calverley, Kuwait, Persian Gulf	1909
Mrs. Eleanor J. Calverly, M.D., Kuwait, Persian Gulf....	1909
Paul W. Harrison, M.D., Bahrein, Persian Gulf.....	1909
Mrs. Regina R. Harrison, Bahrein, Persian Gulf.....	1916
Rev. Gerrit D. Van Peursem, Bahrein, Persian Gulf.....	1910
Mrs. Josephine E. Van Peursem, Bahrein, Persian Gulf...	1910
Miss Sarah L. Hosmon, M.D., 25 East 22nd St., New York.	1911
Miss Gertrud Schafheitlin, Canning, Nova Scotia.....	1912
Miss Charlotte B. Kellien, Basrah, Persian Gulf.....	1915
Rev. Henry A. Bilkert, Language Study, Bahrein, P. G...	1917
Mrs. Anna M. Bilkert, Language Study, Bahrein, P. G...	1917
Miss Mary C. Van Pelt, Language Study, Bahrein, P. G...	1917
Mrs. Sharon J. Thoms, under appointment... (1906-1913)	1918
Dr. Louis P. Dame, M.D., under appointment.....	1918
Miss Elizabeth Purdie, under appointment	1918

Eighty-sixth Annual Report

of the

Board of Domestic Missions

to the

General Synod

of the

Reformed Church in America

Twenty-five East Twenty-second Street
New York

1918

ANNUAL REPORT, 1918

The Board of Domestic Missions is privileged to report to the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America that the year which closed on April thirtieth, nineteen hundred and eighteen, was marked by a continuance of the Divine favor which has attended its work in past years, and which makes possible this record of another year of accomplishment in the work committed to the Board by the Church. There has been progress among the mission churches aided by appropriations, progress not only in material things, but in that spiritual service for which they are established and maintained. The Board has been enabled, because of the increasing contributions from the Church at large, the legacies from those who were faithful even unto death, and the proceeds of the One Day's Income Fund, to meet all the calls made by the several Classes for appropriations to aid their service, and the close of the year finds the treasury with a comfortable balance with which to begin the financing of the work which lies ahead.

War conditions have in some measure affected the service of the Board. Especially in the matter of Church Building there has been a necessary falling off in the work because of the increasing cost of materials and the scarcity of labor. Loans from the Church Building Fund have been promised to a number of churches, but their building enterprises are retarded by the abnormal conditions of the times. On the other hand, the fact that our country is at war has undoubtedly tended to quicken the spiritual life of the people; to fix their serious thoughts on the things which are abiding and permanent; to renew their interest and co-operation in the work of the Kingdom. Evidence of these facts comes to the Board in a variety of ways; a spirit of sacrifice has come upon the Church as well as upon the Nation. Lives are being laid down upon the altar of righteousness.

The Board of Domestic Missions, in common with the Home Mission boards and societies of other churches, feels a peculiar responsibility in the light of the present national situation. It conceives it a duty to use every endeavor, through the missionaries maintained or assisted by the funds of the Church, to teach

the people that Christian Citizenship involves unquestionable loyalty to the Nation. Ours is the Reformed Church *in America*, and with other American churches we share the task of developing from the racial conglomerate that has found its home upon these shores an American Christian citizenship that shall make the Nation a land of righteousness. The Christian citizen is necessarily a loyal citizen; and so it is a part of our task to use every endeavor to lead our people in the footsteps of those fathers of the Church, who in the dark days through which our Nation was born, were unswerving in their loyalty to the Continental Government and unfailing in their adherence to the righteous principles proclaimed by the leaders of the new nation.

It should be recorded that during the year covered by this report no direct evidence has come to the Board of disloyalty on the part of its missionaries or the people under their care. In the campaign for subscriptions to the Third Liberty Loan, the Board offered to purchase bonds for its missionaries and missionary pastors and to accept payment therefor in twelve monthly installments. About fifty men availed themselves of this offer, and among them were Americans, Germans, Hollanders, Italians and Hungarians. Many others notified the Board that they had subscribed for bonds locally, and it may be stated with assurance that the home missionary force of the Reformed Church co-operated to the extent of its ability in this latest bond issue of the Government; a co-operation that is remarkable in view of the meagre salaries received and the present excessive living costs.

THE FINANCES OF THE YEAR.

RECEIPTS OF THE YEAR.

The total receipts of the year for the whole work of Domestic Missions in the Reformed Church in America were \$257,533.74, which is an amount \$11,616.55 in advance of the total reported one year ago. An encouraging increase in the contributions from churches for the Missionary Fund of the Board, the One Day's Income Fund, and an increase in the amount of legacies received are in large measure responsible for the increase, which would have been still larger than that reported here had there not been a decrease in the amount of trust funds received by the Board, as well as small decreases in one or two other sources of income.

Of the total receipts reported above, \$95,186.70 went into the treasury of the Women's Board of Domestic Missions, some of it by way of Synod's Board, which transferred \$10,247.89 received by it from churches definitely designated for work administered by the Women's Board, and also \$4,857.47 from the One Day's Income Fund, said amount being determined by the proportion borne by the Women's Board budget to the whole Domestic Mission budget.

It is a matter of regret to this Board that the receipts for the Women's Board were not quite large enough to enable the sister organization to close its fiscal year entirely without deficit. In its Indian Fund and in its Kentucky Mountain Fund there are reported debit balances which, it may be hoped, will soon be wiped out by the contributions of the churches and their organizations.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

The comparative statement which appears on page 35 of this report deserves the careful attention of those concerned for the work of missions in America. The figures need no comment here except by way of explanation. As was reported to the General Synod in 1917, this Board and the Women's Board entered into an agreement whereby all contributions from women's organizations should be received and credited by the Women's Board, and all contributions from churches should be received and credited by this Board; the latter contributions being transferred to the Women's Board when designated for work administered by it. This arrangement has been in effect during this year and has made necessary some changes in the comparative statement referred to. It will be noted that under this agreement this Board received no contributions from women's organizations, whereas its receipts from churches amounted to \$72,771.60, or \$16,906.03 more than last year. For the purpose of clarity these contributions from churches have been divided into two items, the amount intended for and used by this Board, \$62,523.71, and the amount received by this Board but designated for the work of the Women's Board, \$10,247.89. A new item in this comparative statement is the One Day's Income Fund, comment on which appears elsewhere.

It will be noted that contributions to the Church Building Fund amounted to \$8,032.60, which is considerably less than last year. It may be remembered, however, that the contributions of last year to this Fund were largely increased by reason of a special appeal on its behalf, to which the churches of the Par-

ticular Synod of Chicago responded liberally. There has been no such special effort in the year just closed, but the total of contributions is nevertheless not much below those of the average of the past ten years.

It should be noted that the Particular Synod of Chicago continues to increase its offerings for Domestic Missions, its total for the year just closed being several thousand dollars in advance of the previous year. To a considerable extent this is a result of Synodical action, which has this year set the goal of \$85,000.00 as a minimum for its gifts to this cause.

ONE DAY'S INCOME FUND.

Early in the fiscal year the Board joined with the Board of Foreign Missions in an appeal to the Church to assist in meeting the unusual expenditures the Mission Boards were facing because of war conditions, by the contribution of one day's income on the part of the membership of the churches in addition to their usual gifts for missions. The One Day's Income Fund, thus established, while it has not enlisted the full co-operation of the Church, has proved of great assistance in meeting the financial problems of the year. On April 30th the receipts of the Fund totaled \$34,075.29. Of this amount \$34,000 was divided between the Board of Foreign Missions and this Board, in proportion to their several budgets, this Board receiving \$15,405.47 from the Fund. From this sum the Board paid to the Women's Board of Domestic Missions \$4,857.47 to assist in meeting that part of the Domestic Missions Budget for which the women were responsible. Inasmuch as the same conditions prevail that called this special Fund into existence, the joint committee which has had charge of this endeavor has decided to continue the effort for another year, and possibly longer, if conditions call for it.

LEGACIES.

The year has been marked by a considerable increase in the Board's Legacy Fund by reason of the gifts received from those who have gone to their eternal reward. It will be noted from the report of the Treasurer that the amount received from this source amounted to \$46,081.87, and that a number of names have been added to the Honor Roll of those who so planned their material affairs that their co-operation in the service of the Church in the homeland might continue after they had been called home.

CONDITIONAL GIFTS.

There is a growing practice on the part of those who desire that the cause of missions shall share in their estates, to place the funds they intend to donate in the care of the Boards, to be held in trust during the lifetime of the donor, who receives a regular income from such investment up to the time of his death, when the principal sum becomes the property of the Board. Such a method provides for the donor a safe investment with an income guaranteed by agreement, and avoids the possibility of funds intended for missionary service being diverted through will contests, or reduced by reason of inheritance taxes. One such Conditional Gift has been received by this Board during the year just closed. The donor was Mr. Peter Cortelyou, of Franklin Park, New Jersey, whose example is worthy of emulation.

ENDOWMENT FUNDS.

During many years the Board has been building up an endowment for its work as the result of legacies designated for investment, the income only to be used for the missionary service of the Church. The total of such endowment funds, for such they may be rightly termed, is now \$255,700.56, of which amount \$121,144.28 is held in trust and invested by the Board itself, \$5,000.00 is held in trust for this work by the United States Trust Company, and \$129,556.18 is held and administered by the Board of Directors. To these funds but \$2,000.00 has been added this year, through a legacy from the late Elizabeth Diah. When it is noted from the report of the Treasurer that the interest received during the year amounted to \$15,867.84, the importance of these permanent funds is at once manifest. Funds that are thus held in trust by the Board itself are not subject to any expense for administration, the entire income being devoted to the purposes designated by the donors.

REPAYMENTS AND FUNDS.

The income for the Church Building Fund was increased in a gratifying manner during the past year by the amount received as repayment of former loans. \$14,035.68 was thus received from 61 churches, and in addition \$9,076.51 was received from the proceeds of the sale of old church properties on which the Fund had claim. There was also received, and credited to the Missionary Fund, \$12,049.70 from the sale of properties

of disbanded churches which had received appropriations from the Fund in past years. With the changing conditions throughout the country, it is inevitable that some old churches will outlive their usefulness, and the equity in their properties, placed at the disposal of the Board by Classical action, makes it possible for these moneys to be used to aid active churches established in places where real need exists. This is a condition which all denominations experience and one which does not necessarily indicate any retrogression in the work as a whole.

THE WORK OF THE YEAR.

CHURCH SUSTENTATION.

The year has shown no marked developments in the work of Church Sustentation, except that an unusually large number of churches, formerly aided by appropriations from the Board, have reached the goal of self-support, announcing that they no longer need rely upon its financial aid. A list of these churches appears on another page of this report. On the same page will be found lists of the new missions established and the churches organized during the year. There are not so many of these as have sometimes been reported, indicating that the Classes have not been so active in this regard as in some former years. It is to be noted, however, that in all sections of the Church work has been going forward looking to the increased efficiency of the mission churches already established. They have been encouraged in the betterment of their equipment, and have been aided in the payment of more adequate salaries to their pastors. Much yet remains to be done along these lines.

It seems reasonably certain that war conditions will seriously affect many of the mission churches, particularly in that it will be increasingly difficult for them to obtain pastors. So many of the younger ministers are going into the service of the Government, or the Young Men's Christian Association, that even at the present time it is difficult to secure suitable men for some important fields. If the war should long continue, with continued call for Chaplains and other religious workers among the soldiers and sailors, it will be necessary to couple a number of adjoining parishes under one pastor, or perhaps largely to increase the force of Classical Missionaries, each of whom might have charge of half a dozen fields. Intensive work is difficult, if not impossible, under such conditions, but it is a situation which the Church and the Board must face.

These adverse circumstances, however, must not retard the Church from extending its service in those fields for which it seems to have a primary responsibility. In the East these are suburban and city communities. The suburbs of the large cities, except those affected by war industries, are not at the present time growing at their former pace. The cause for the change is to be found in the high prices of material and labor, which compel people who would otherwise build homes in suburban communities to continue to live in the already overcrowded cities. The problems of housing are being studied by economists and social workers, and much might be said of the effect which these problems have upon the work of Home Missions. In communities where it has responsibility, the Board is endeavoring to keep in touch with conditions, to encourage the churches there located to wider activities, and to co-operate with the Classes in the establishment of new churches when conditions demand them.

In the Particular Synod of Chicago, which constitutes the West as our Church recognizes it, there continues to be an important field for extension, without some of the difficulties which attend the Eastern work. But here too is felt an increasing scarcity of ministers, since at the present time there are about sixty churches and missions in that Synod without settled pastors. These places are served as frequently as possible by the Classical Missionaries, by supplies appointed by the Classes, and by students in the summer. There is a scarcity of men, and yet new fields are opening constantly, not only in newly settled communities, but in the older centers of our service, such as Grand Rapids, Muskegon and other cities of the Middle West.

In what may be termed our Far Western work there are some significant developments. The Classis of Dakota is finding many new opportunities for service, and the adequate meeting of these will have an effect upon the whole growth of the denomination, since Dakota Classis is an important link between the Middle West and the Pacific States. Dakota has been suffering because of the lack of workers. One Classical Missionary has been endeavoring to do work which would call for the full time of at least three men, but a second missionary has recently been appointed and several of the vacant churches have called pastors, so that working conditions may be improved. In the Classis of the Cascades two Classical Missionaries are caring for a large number of fields, scattered over the wide area of this Pacific Classis. This work is largely among recent immigrants from Holland, who would be left without spiritual oversight were it not for the efforts made by our Church. This Far Western work

has a real missionary character which should commend it to the support of the entire denomination.

Nearly all of the mission churches in the Particular Synod of Chicago now use the English language in one or more of their church services. The majority of new organizations in Michigan and other centers in the Middle West are exclusively English-speaking. Although the Holland language will be used in many of the churches for years to come, the adoption of English is accelerated at the present time by the practical cessation of immigration from Holland, by the hastening of Americanization through the influence of the war, and by the fact that the younger generation cannot well profit by services conducted other than in the English language. This change of language will overcome what is more or less a barrier between some churches and their communities, between the Church and the work at large; it will also end the friction which can hardly be prevented in congregations where more than one language is used in public worship.

STUDENT MISSIONARIES.

All of the available students in the New Brunswick and Western seminaries were assigned to summer fields for the season of 1917 and there were more calls for such service from the various Classes than the Board was able to meet. There is an even smaller supply of men for the summer of 1918, due to the fact that some of the men have gone into war service of one form or other. Students are also used for more or less regular supplying of mission churches, East and West, during the seminary year, and for this service also there seems likely to be a shortage of men in the coming fall. The need of securing a larger supply of candidates for the ministry was never more apparent than at the present. The Board considers the subject solely from the point of view of the needs of the home mission fields, but it realizes that all of our pastors and churches should be urged anew to encourage and persuade promising young men to consecrate their lives to this service. In a very real sense this Board aids in the support of students for the ministry, for the compensation it gives them for preaching in term, and for summer service, amounting this past year to \$6,126.03, constitutes no small part of the income of these young men.

A new form of report was issued for the work of the summer of 1917, which called for a simple survey of the field served by each student. These reports served the double purpose of secur-

ing for the Board and the Classes accurate information of the fields thus served, and of leading the student missionary to become intimately familiar with the religious, social and economic conditions of the parish to which he is assigned.

IMMIGRANTS.

The year has seen some changes in the missions for Italians and Hungarians, and in the case of the Hungarian work the changes have not been encouraging. Industrial conditions, to which these people seem particularly susceptible, have tended to reduce the Hungarian population in the centers where our work was maintained, with a consequent reduction in the number of those reached by our ministry. At the present time the Board has only one missionary regularly employed in this service.

Work among Italians, on the other hand, has progressed to a marked degree, and the Reformed Church has every reason to be satisfied with what is being accomplished among these people in the six missions wholly or partially maintained by the Board. That immigrant work is not confined to the East is demonstrated by the fact that two of these missions are in Chicago. Some principles and plans concerning this work are discussed in a later section of this report.

THE VIRGIN ISLANDS.

In the fall of 1917 the Board sent one of its secretaries to the Virgin Islands to make a first-hand study of the conditions brought about by the change from Danish to American government, and the opportunities presented to our church at St. Thomas under the new regime. Mr. Demarest spent eight days at St. Thomas, interviewing officials of our church, business men of the town, and officers of the Navy Department who are now charged with the administration of the islands for the United States Government. He reported to the Board that all the evidence pointed to an unusual opening for an important service by our Church. In the first place, ours is the only distinctively American church at St. Thomas, the principal city of the islands, and for that reason Americans going there for official or business reasons are attracted to it. Secondly, there are stationed at St. Thomas a large body of American young men, sailors and marines, without the services of a Navy Chaplain. Furthermore, the church, at the time of the secretary's visit, was already showing, by the presence in its congregation of representatives of the new, American, element, that the pastor and consistory had already been at work to meet the new opportunities.

The Board decided that it was a time to give the utmost encouragement to this old church in its effort to meet a new opportunity, and appropriations were made to place the church and parsonage in good repair and to pay a few accumulated debts of the congregation, caused, for the most part, by emergency repairs which had to be made after a hurricane in the fall of 1916. The Rev. A. H. Leslie, who has been pastor for several years, had resigned in order to return to his home in Canada, but was prevailed upon to remain in charge until the Board could send a new pastor to take his place. Arrangements for this change have now been completed. Mr. Bradley J. Folensbee, of the Class of 1918, New Brunswick Seminary, will go to St. Thomas immediately after graduation and ordination, under appointment of the Board as Classical Missionary of the South Classis of Long Island, assigned to the Virgin Islands. Great things may be expected from this tropical out-station of our Domestic Mission work under Mr. Folensbee's leadership.

CHURCH BUILDING FUND.

The year has been unusually inactive as regards church building, with the consequence that the Fund shows a larger balance on hand than it has for many years. Practically all this balance has been promised to churches contemplating the erection of new buildings, but the high costs of labor and materials, due to war conditions, have caused many of these churches to postpone the work of building or else to prosecute it so slowly that they have not yet called for the promised loans. When conditions change, at the close of the war, it may be expected that for a few years there will be numerous demands for assistance in the erection of new buildings from all sections of the Church, and the Church Building Fund should have generous and continuous support, so that it may be in position to render the assistance that will be sorely needed. Many of our promising churches are at the present time making the best they can of utterly inadequate buildings, realizing that under present conditions the erection of the type of church plant they really need is practically impossible because of the excessive cost. The Church must be ready to reward their patience by generous assistance when conditions permit the work of building to be undertaken. The Church Building Fund is the only agency through which this may be done.

The Board has previously reported its intention to provide a series of model plans for church buildings of varying costs for

the guidance of congregations undertaking the erection of houses of worship and service. The consummation of this plan has been delayed in order that a larger service may be rendered. The Church Building Committee of the Home Missions Council is working on this same project and the results of its efforts to secure model plans will soon be available for all the Home Mission Boards and Societies. Under the circumstances it seemed advisable for this Board to co-operate with this Committee, rather than to secure the plans independently.

STATEMENT OF THE WOMEN'S BOARD.

The past twelve months have been filled with intense activity for the Women's Board of Domestic Missions and its workers on the field. It is impossible to invoke the year that it may pass before you in a few brief paragraphs. Remember always that our figures and our statements stand for living souls, and thinking, suffering, needing human beings.

Could we in any measure summon the year to yield its pageantry of service there would press before you nearly five hundred children from our Kentucky Mountain Schools—little ones re-deemed in life and character. Following them would be a hesitant, pathetic group of others, numbering hundreds also, from our outlying Sunday Schools, and many older folk, parents, and grandparents—some of them members of our churches, and led by earnest deacons and elders. The fruits also of our labors.

Here and there amid this throng would appear different insignia of the C. E.'s, King's Daughters, Boy Scouts, etc., but above all would shine the Cross of Christ, and upholding it would be found those consecrated ones, our Missionaries, teachers and workers—followers in His train.

Look again and see the Cross shining above another great company, of Red Men, nearly eight hundred, marching under the banner of our Reformed Church—fellow members with us. Many of these clad in khaki, with faces uplifted to that symbol of a life poured out.

Thousands of little ones accompany this group whose feet are finding through us the clean, sweet Jesus way, sixty of these are Winnebago School children. Who can measure the change for them, from the life of the camp with its neglect and its blighting evil, to the dear purity and power of life at the school.

But we uphold the Cross for another vast company, strangers to each other and ourselves, speaking an alien tongue but seekers after God, Japanese and Italians.

Infinitely gratifying it is to know that six Japanese at one station and eleven at the other, one entire family, received baptism at Easter at our Japanese missions.

Included among these followers of the Cross are some especially near to us, though they come from the Dakotas and the Great West. They have found Christ in parsonages and churches built and furnished through our ministry, and led by our Classical and Student Missionaries.

If the year speaks truly to you it will tell of the unflinching giving of the best of their lives' forces to the work of those who in the office, and at home, and going about among the churches, glean in all such ways as women may.

"To bring good news to souls in sin
The bruised and broken hearts to win
In every place to bring them in
Where Christ Himself will come."

The figures that connote all this are as follows:

General Fund	\$28,128.43
Indian Fund	34,432.84
Kentucky Mt. Fund.....	30,391.88
Kentucky Endowment Fund (Scholarship)	500.00
Legacy Fund	1,733.55
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Total income for the year.....	\$95,186.70

A war year has laid its insistent claims upon the giving power of some supporters of the work and though we have gathered from all possible sources, yet a deficit of \$1,769.89 faces us at the close of the year in the Indian Fund, and \$1,896.56 in the Kentucky. This shortage must be added to the Budget of the amount needed for the coming year, which will thus total \$100,600.00. This budget will be found given in detail in the following program for the work of the coming year, which we have been requested to prepare to indicate something of the reason of our work, the spirit in which we seek to perform it and the needs of the fields committed to us.

PROGRAM FOR THE YEAR.

The following is an effort to formulate so far as possible in a brief statement the particular objectives committed to the Women's Board of Domestic Missions as the medium of the Reformed Church in America for certain of its responsibilities and efforts in relation to making and keeping American Christian.

First, it may be of value to devote a moment's thought to the essentialness of the undertaking to seek to re-discover to ourselves and to re-state to others the actualities involved, and realize that neither as Boards or a denomination can we be satisfied merely to fulfill a well defined function years ago entered upon and growing along fairly satisfactorily at more or less of its own momentum.

No such attitude is in keeping with the demands of the day upon all peoples, institutions and nations, to develop new and undreamed of powers and endurance and growth that each may nobly and adequately serve in this day of humanity's extremity and opportunity.

As we look upon the world and its every need we are startled by the fulcrum place held by America in world direction and influence. This is no spread-eagleism nor oratory, but a simple solemnizing fact which is voiced by every newspaper, magazine and statesman.

Please bear with us further while we face another momentous issue as yet shadowy, keeping itself from the clear light of open statement of intention, growing in the darkness in hidden places like a fungus, in mines and lumber camps, passed along to farm laborers and wherever great industries mass together those who labor with their hands; it has possibilities of affecting the whole social structure of the world and thus must rightly be taken account of in any outlook on America's needs.

We refer to the insidious well-defined undercurrent of class consciousness among large bodies of laborers who claim a pernicious type of internationalism and whose religion is a pseudo socialistic formula of brotherhood—but a brotherhood which fails to include in equal and proportionate consideration members of the so-called higher classes. That a new and fairer basis for all human living must be found quickly we all gladly concede and desire to work for. But in view of the awful power for destruction and disintegration of established order and institutions, including the Christian Church, inherent in this movement, and in view of the great masses of ignorant Negroes and foreigners in this country, inflammable and open to propa-

ganda-approach, the Home Mission enterprise becomes of tremendous national and world significance and enlists the most earnest, enthusiastic, devoted adherence and service of every follower of Christ in this country—it challenges the church's best efforts.

For its program this Board would again emphasize the fundamental place of the so-called General Work in its program for the year. Under this caption is classed the support of student and Classical missionaries, parsonage building and equipping of mission churches. It touches the furthestmost reaches of our denominational domain and is structural in character and contribution, continually helping to lay new foundations for denominational growth and effectiveness. As is well understood, all this type of work is performed in close unity with the Board of Domestic Missions. It is our earnest desire not only to sustain this form of service at its present level, but to increase it this year if the way opens.

Under this same head another distinct type of work is also included. That to foreign-tongued people, particularly the Japanese and Italians.

The work among Japanese is well organized and has capable leadership in all of its branches. Our purpose, therefore, for the coming year is to increase and stress intensive work rather than enlarge the machinery of this service.

Too much cannot be said of the urgency and the strategic value of quickly permeating groups of foreign-tongued people with the leavening of Christian missions. Oneness in ideals, conception of duty and love of God and country is terribly needed in America to-day. Certain national government agencies are urging all organizations doing any type of civic or philanthropic work among foreigners to take up Americanization efforts among them—"Americanization not meaning merely a selfish attempt to force all people into a national mold, but Americanization which means releasing certain spiritual forces and uplifting ideals of human relationships—doing away with segregation and race consciousness—adopting the use of the common language of the country, thus making a medium for free intercourse and exchange of thought and opinions both spoken and written. Of great significance along this line is the fact that 1,500,000 persons in the United States of draft age cannot read or write in English, 3,000,000 aliens of military age are unnaturalized, and that at one army camp alone 1,600 men cannot read or write English.

For reaching the need just referred to the work already conducted by the Boards among Italians is of immense value. It

has to do with all phases of the life of its people—physical, social, mental, civic, religious. The response this work has met shows its capability of growth.

Every effort should be made to utilize these centers of Italian work to the utmost by providing additional women, Bible Workers, and home visitors speaking both English and Italian. This the Board will do so far as its treasury permits. Obviously the Board can establish a few centers only of work among foreign tongued people, but as part of the Domestic Mission service for the year it would urge with all the earnestness and insistency possible each local church and women's organization to helpful contact in some way with the foreigners in their respective localities—either working through local church Federations or Women's Federated Groups. It is expected that printed material showing how to undertake such work and help for doing it will be available at Board headquarters. The women in individual churches or through local Women's Missionary Federations are also urged at once to set in motion efforts to interest and hold for the church the women and children brought by new industrial conditions into their localities. The unusual conditions of crowding, the ever increasing need of some medium of upholding the hearts of those called to mourn make this duty paramount. The Negro sections in localities should also be taken into account.

Night meetings and classes may be necessary for this, but whatever the requirement we must not fail of the effort. Recognizing that all organizations and institutions are having to adapt their machinery and methods to the exigencies and pressure on life created by the war, and in order that the inspirational and informational aspect of Missions may still receive needed time and attention, a plan has been devised (and is already working in some of our churches) whereby all the women's work of the church—Red Cross, Americanization, Missionary and other—may be integrated under Committees in one inclusive Women's organization of the church. The efforts being to relate all Christian activities as closely to the church, as their dynamic center, as possible.

Suggestions for such inclusive Women's organizations will be furnished to all those desiring them.

The financial budget for the General Work, including Alien, for the coming year is \$30,700.00 (contingent amount \$1,500). Attention must be also directed in our program for the year to the desire of the Board to enlist the girls and younger women of the church in the Kingdom enterprise. To that end Miss Frances Davis, our earnest Field Worker for Young Women,

will continue her well directed efforts, and from time to time the Board will issue printed material and give such other assistance as may be needed. If possible, some larger plan of organization for Young Women's Societies will be projected.

The important coming recruits for the work—the children, have not been neglected in the year's plan, and in accordance with the general scheme for graded missionary education in the Bible Schools, this Board has arranged to push so far as it can the missionary education of the children.

Dwellers in the most remote corners of our country share in the world's tragedy. And so from tribe after tribe of our Indians the quota of soldiers have gone forth to flow into the vast human stream of khaki upon whom the hopes of all civilization are centered. Never did Christian Missions mean so much to the Red man, never were they so open to the Gospel's message.

The Board proposes to maintain its fine school plant at Winnebago, and its extension field work among the Comanches, for which some funds are at hand, and a few thousand dollars additional to provide building and equipment at Winnebago will be needed. The steadily gaining work at the other stations, White Tail, Mescalero and Dulce, New Mexico, and at Colony, Oklahoma, will be maintained as at present. In connection with Dulce, if possible some permanent provision should be made to minister to the white lumbermen, among whom there has been no Christian work through the winter. If some individual support can be secured this lumber camp work will be undertaken. The financial budget for the Indian Work is \$30,100 (including this year's deficit and contingent of \$1,500, \$33,400.00).

The following startling couplet has been placed in some of the railway stations of the L. and N. R. R. by those wishing to wipe out illiteracy in Kentucky by 1920:

“Can he write home to mother?
30,000 Kentucky boys cannot
They are plucky, they will fight
But 30,000 cannot read or write.”

No further plea need be made for the educational work conducted by our Board in Jackson County, Kentucky. The schools at Annville, Gray Hawk and McKee will all be under the direction this year of Rev. William Worthington, the head of the Annville work. Approximately five hundred American children, eager and responsive, come under the influence of our institutions in Jackson County. The work will be maintained during

the coming year along the present lines, increasing so far as possible without additional equipment or building. The growth on this field is phenomenal and a greatly increased force could be used economically and advantageously, but our effort has been to hold the budget down to the limit; in this war year the amount asked for Kentucky being \$30,600.00 (including the deficit and contingent of \$2,500, \$35,000.00).

A FIVE YEAR FORE-LOOK.

The fore-look for five years must anticipate such an adjustment of all the work of the Women's Board as shall proportionally meet the tremendously quickened public consciousness that will demand for all peoples in America—Indians, Mountaineers, Negroes, and Foreigners—those human rights and privileges for which the nation has poured out its life and treasure abroad.

This will involve the opening of many centers of Christian activities and regenerative social agencies and schools, hospitals in communities near and far, particularly among Indians, Mountaineers, Negroes and incoming Immigrants.

The appropriations of the Women's Board during this period to enable the Reformed Church, through its Home Mission agencies, to perform its duty to the reconstruction needs, must provide an ultimate increase for maintenance of ten thousand dollars annually in the Indian, Kentucky Mountain and General (including Alien) funds.

It must be understood that additional sums will be sought from individual and other sources to make suitable provision for acquiring such new equipment of land and buildings as are imperatively needed for the growth of the work.

This in outline is the program of the Board. We send it forth with a deep and sincere conviction that never has such great opportunity faced the church of Christ and Home Missions as to-day and never has Christ and humanity so needed the absolute devotion of the church as to-day.

"Oh be swift my soul to answer him
Be jubilant my feet,
For God is marching on."

PLANS FOR THE FUTURE.

THE BUDGET FOR 1918-1919.

In accordance with the plan established several years ago, the Budget for the new year received careful consideration by the Joint Committee of Synod's Board and the Women's Board, their recommendations being adopted afterward by the two Boards. In considering the Budget it was recognized that the abnormal times through which we are passing call for the most rigid economy on the part not only of the Boards, but of the churches and missions which they maintain or assist. At the same time it was realized that it is possible to sacrifice efficiency by a too rigid economy, and that while it is necessary and advisable to reduce expenditures to the minimum, this principle must not operate in such a way as to compel the Church to neglect to perform a needed service in the homeland, in whatever section the need may be found, or whatever phase of our service may be involved.

A great deal of economy is now made possible by the spirit of co-operation which, fostered by the Home Missions Council, now prevails between most of the Home Mission agencies of our country. Overlapping of effort, with the consequent waste of funds, is now discredited and has almost ceased to exist. Co-operation between Home Mission boards and societies, to have its full effect on the progress of the Kingdom, must be supplemented by a co-operation between local churches, and this is being successfully fostered by the Federal Council of Churches.

In view of these tendencies, our Boards feel that for the coming year their work may be maintained, and possibly some advance in efficiency secured with a Budget that is practically no larger than that which received the approval of the General Synod in 1917. The following has therefore been adopted by the boards in the hope that it may receive Synodical approval for the new fiscal year:

Church Sustentation	\$80,000.00
This includes salary payments to missionary pastors, special appropriations to mission churches to meet emergencies, incidental field expenses, etc.	
Church Extension	35,000.00
This includes the cost, apart from building, of establishing new work, the salaries of classical missionaries, their house rent, travelling expenses, etc	

Church Building Fund.....	45,000.00
To aid in the erection of new church build- ings.	
Indian Missions	31,600.00
Indian Missions Deficit in 1917--1918 Account..	1,800.00
Women's Board General Fund.....	32,200.00
From this Fund payments are made for two Classical Missionaries, Students, Par- sonages, Japanese Missions, Alien Work, Repairs and Furnishings, etc.	
Kentucky Mountain Missions.....	33,100.00
Kentucky Mountain Deficit in 1917-1918 Ac- count	1,900.00
Immigrant Work	18,000.00
Student Missionaries	6,000.00
Exclusive of amount raised through Women's Board.	
Negro Work	2,500.00
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Total	\$287,100.00

Much evidence is at hand to indicate that a number of our churches are greatly assisted in the preparation of their own benevolent budgets by such a definite statement of Home Mission needs for the year as that given above, and the Board ventures to express the hope that during the year to come an increasing number of churches will place their missionary co-operation upon a budget system, with an Every Member Canvass to raise their budget and the consequent systematic contributions by the people of definite proportions of their incomes to the work of the Kingdom.

PLANS FOR A BROADER SERVICE.

During recent months the Board has been seriously studying its wide field of service, in an endeavor to ascertain ways in which that service might be made more effective, and the churches and missions aided by it encouraged to strive for maximum efficiency in their work. A committee was entrusted with the preparation of a plan, which was adopted by the Board, as follows:

AN OUTLINE OF ADVANCE WORK.

INTRODUCTION.

The work of Church Extension is primarily the work of the Classes. These ecclesiastical bodies are assumed to know their

fields and the opportunities for extension which they offer; but the members of the average Classis are usually fully occupied in their individual churches, with no time for a comprehensive study of a wider field. The Board of Domestic Missions has theoretically no powers of initiative or supervision, but it may really exercise such powers through co-operation with the Classes, which are ready and willing to have their attention called to new opportunities for service, to new methods of work adaptable to old fields, or even to the desirability of curtailing the expenditure of missionary funds in fields from which the promise of usefulness has passed. In Classes served by capable men in the office of Classical Missionary the whole field is carefully studied and opportunities for service are not likely to be overlooked. In any event the Classis must be recognized as the organization having ultimate authority concerning the service rendered within its bounds.

By suggestion and the exercise of a real leadership in the work of Domestic Missions, therefore, the Board may be able to guide the work of the Classes, showing to them and to their missions and churches methods of efficient service to the individual and the community; methods which will help to place the Church in a position of leadership, religious and social, in each community; but especially in those communities where our churches are the only religious organizations. In communities served by two or more churches the Board may be of like service by indicating methods of co-operation in community service, and the elimination of a competition that is purely sectarian and selfish.

SUGGESTIONS FOR A WIDER SERVICE.

I. Classical Missionaries and Church Extension Committees.

The Board will encourage Classes now unprovided with Classical Missionaries to consider whether their work may not be made more efficient by the appointment of such men; whose duty it shall be not only to care for vacant churches, of which there are an increasing number, but also to study the whole field of the Classis and recommend where work should be extended and where curtailed. The Classical Missionary may be definitely attached to one or more churches, but should have sufficient free time to develop the larger outlook.

Along this same line the Board may arrange for frequent meetings of its officers with Church Extension Committees of the Classes, to discuss the conditions of the fields, to determine

ways in which the mission churches may increase their efficiency and usefulness to their communities; to exercise, in a word, a friendly and helpful oversight of this phase of Domestic Mission service.

II. *Missionaries' Salaries.*

During the past one or two years the Board has co-operated in every effort instituted by the Classes for the increase of the compensation of the missionary pastors, and has aided in securing the co-operation of the mission churches. There remains much more to be done along this line. Many of the missionaries are still inadequately paid and their families are suffering real hardships. It would seem that the mission churches do not appreciate this serious situation. People may be kind to the pastor and his family in the way of occasional special gifts, but these do not fill the place of an adequate regular income. Some of the Classes have adopted a minimum salary scale for some types of field, and the Board may perform a most important service by encouraging such action on the part of all Classes having mission churches. It has been found that the people of such churches are willing and ready to co-operate in the payment of adequate salaries when their duty is pointed out to them by Classical authority. The Board will need to increase some of its appropriations, in order to encourage increases on the part of the churches, but the greater efficiency with which the work on the fields will be performed will undoubtedly result in the more rapid growth of the churches, with a consequent reduction of appropriations after a few years.

Each Classis will be urged to appoint a good committee to study the economics of the various types of field found within its bounds, with a consequent fixing of a minimum salary scale for each of the several types of service—city, village, rural, etc. If this shall be done not only the missionary pastors profit in comfort and efficiency, but pastors of churches not aided by the Board may ultimately receive fairer treatment from their congregations than is now accorded them in some instances.

As a beginning in this endeavor, the Board, at its meeting on May 27th, 1918, adopted a resolution expressing its conviction that, in view of the present costs of living, the minimum salary of missionary pastors in rural and village fields should be \$1,000 per year and parsonage; and that in city fields the minimum should be \$1,200 per year and parsonage. By a further resolution it invited the cooperation of Classes and the mission churches in an effort to bring about the adoption of these minimum salaries.

III. *Alien Work.*

The larger service rendered by the Reformed Church to those termed aliens is among Italians, and in a number of the fields where the Board maintains missionaries among these people the work has long passed the experimental stage. It has to be recognized that the Italians have not the same religious or social viewpoint that is found among people in other mission churches; and the work that is done has to be adapted not only to their circumstances and environment here, but also to the attitude and ideas which they brought with them when they came to America. The work cannot be gauged nor its results determined by the standards ordinarily used in measuring the work of Church Extension.

In several ways the promise found in this service may be augmented by the Board without largely increased expenditures.

First, effort will be made to provide the more promising Italian missions with better physical equipment. Some missions that are now making use of rooms in buildings of other (American) churches should have separate quarters provided as soon as such provision is feasible. The difference between the two types of people is so great that it is almost impossible to reconcile their methods of work and worship. Neither the Americans nor the Italians are contented in the joint use of one church building. Italian missions that are already separately housed should be assisted in securing more adequate equipment, since in several cases their work is done under most adverse conditions. The work is social as well as religious, and this must be remembered in providing equipment. It is recognized that this is a difficult time for the erection of buildings, because of the high prices prevailing and also because the United States Government has the first claim on material and workers; but present buildings may be improved at little expense, and with marked increase in the efficiency of the work.

Second, the present force of workers in some at least of the missions should be increased by the addition of women visitors. In Italian work this is necessary, since the man missionary is not free to visit the homes during the absence of the men, and this condition leaves him only the evenings for calling. Where active work is being done the evenings are almost all filled with meetings, clubs and classes, so that visitation of the homes is almost impossible. The women visitors, to be most effective, should be capable of giving the Italian mothers instruction in English, sanitation, the care of children, home economics, and

the Bible. In providing women workers co-operation will be secured from the Women's Board of Domestic Missions.

Third, all the workers, men and women alike, must be trained to lead the people along the path of Americanization. The danger of permitting an alien race to preserve intact its foreign ideals and customs in our country is too apparent in these days to be overlooked. It is a patriotic as well as a religious duty for all agencies working among alien races to stress the teaching of American ideals. With the Italians there is now an unusual opportunity, as these people realize that their adopted country and their native land are allies in war against a common enemy. They are all anxious to learn to read, write and speak the English language, and in most of our missions classes in English are regularly held for the men, but the women also should be reached with this instruction, and both men and women should be taught that America means more than industrial opportunity and religious freedom; that its foundations were laid in righteousness, civic and individual, and that the highest contribution which the newcomers may make to the land of their adoption is a sincere acceptance of American ideals, social and religious.

IV. *Suburban Churches.*

There is a growing distaste on the part of Christian people for that form of religious zeal which used to find expression in denominational competition, especially in comparatively small communities, where Christian effort was sometimes so finely divided as to become almost invisible. As a reaction from this condition there is now to be found, particularly in new suburban communities, a tendency toward the establishment of what is known as the Community Church. These sometimes have no denominational connection whatever, but the more efficient are allied with some one religious body, through which their members express their missionary and benevolent activities. Coupled with this desire of the people for a Community Church, is found a willingness on the part of most Protestant bodies and their Home Mission agencies to respect the occupancy of a field by such a church, and so long as it continues effectively to serve the community, to make no attempt to establish a competing organization. This is a comparatively new feature of American religious life, and it is one with which all denominations must reckon in the future.

In several suburban fields the Reformed Church has in recent years established this new type of church, and one, at least, is locally known as "The Community Church." This type of

organization is one that should be established by the Board wherever the right opportunity presents itself and Classical approval can be secured. The Board may render a valuable service by keeping in close touch with such churches and seeing to it that they are adequately meeting the needs of their communities, since only in that way may denominational competition be prevented. This involves the provision of suitable church buildings and parish houses, as well as the maintenance of a force of workers sufficient for the opportunities which the communities present. The people of such churches may be depended upon to do all that lies within their power to support the enterprise, but they will need guidance and financial assistance. It will, however, be better to make large appropriations to one church in a community than to make small grants to several churches in as many communities, in each of which other Home Mission boards are also making appropriations; with none of the churches performing a really efficient service.

A further service may be rendered by the Board in undertaking a study of the conditions prevailing in towns where our church is the only Protestant agency at work. Some of our older churches are thus situated, and it may be that some are working in a rut from which they can be removed under the guidance which the Board should be able to give. If every such church might be developed into a Community Church, with all that the name implies, a very important contribution would be made to the denomination and to the communities where such churches are placed.

V. Rural Churches.

What has been said of suburban churches applies equally to rural churches. The ideals are the same, but a somewhat different type of work and leadership are required. A new day has dawned for the rural church since it has been learned that by community service it may acquire community leadership. Some of our rural churches, which a few years ago were thought to be decadent and dying, have caught the new vision of service and are more firmly than ever established in their communities. The Board may render great assistance to the rural churches by developing right leadership for them, by aiding to equip them for a wider and more efficient service than that they are now rendering, and by showing their officers and members, through the example of other churches as well as by precept, that there remains a large and important work to be done in fields that we have been disposed to think of as lacking opportunity.

VI. *Demonstration Centers.*

If the means were available and the time were more propitious, the Board might consider the advisability of establishing and maintaining, so far as might be necessary, a few Demonstration Centers, where the several types of service rendered with the aid of the Board could be conducted under the best possible circumstances; with adequate, modern equipment, and with the best trained leadership. Several of our present churches are suitably located for such demonstration work, which would be invaluable not only for the example it would prove for other churches similarly situated, but as places for the training of leaders. Every type of work referred to above might be thus demonstrated and the Board may well consider the establishment of such centers as something to be accomplished as soon as conditions so readjust themselves as to make the necessary expenditures advisable.

VII. *Exceptional War Time Service.*

Some of our churches are presented with a new opportunity for service by reason of the location within their fields of war industries of one kind or another, with consequent large additions to the local population. These industrial changes take place very quickly and the church should be ready to minister to the newcomers socially and spiritually. It unfortunately happens that consistories are not always awake to these opportunities, or, if they are, the task seems a larger one than they can undertake unaided. Such service may have but a temporary character, or it may extend over a series of years; but it is an important service that is called for and one attended with considerable difficulty. In such service, as well as in the plans for its rendering, the Board may assist by suggestion as well as by financial aid when the latter is needed; and it is the one agency of the Reformed Church which would seem to have a primary responsibility for the leadership which this exceptional work entails.

VIII. *A Program for Five Years.*

It is not easy to make definite plans which look far ahead, when dealing with the work of missions in America, for the field changes so rapidly presenting such varied and unusual conditions, that only those organizations prepared quickly to act when opportunities appear are likely to find their service comparable in any measure with the growing and changing needs. There are, however, some definite lines of work performed by our Church,

the growth of which may be estimated. Church Extension in the Particular Synod of Chicago, for example, moves along lines already well defined, and enables the Board of Domestic Missions to assert that for the next five years it will be our task to establish, with the cooperation of the Classes, at least ten new mission stations each year within the bounds of this western territory. Church Extension in the Particular Synods of Albany, New Brunswick, and New York, is, on the other hands, affected by the changing conditions, and yet it is certain that if the Church and the Board endeavor to meet even a small proportion of the opportunities that shall present themselves, an equal number of new missions should be annually established within the bounds of these three Synods, making twenty new stations each year in all, a program that would add one hundred churches to the denominational roll in five years.

There are numberless opportunities for the extension of our work among Italians, to say nothing of other alien races, and in the program for five years should be included at least one new Italian mission each year, fully equipped as to building, and with a missionary and a woman visitor to do the work.

A program of church building is necessarily a part of the above plans for growth, and the whole involves a definite and continual increase in the receipts of the Board of Domestic Missions, year by year, in order not only that the new missions may be cared for, but that those earlier established may be assisted in the matter of buildings and equipment as they grow into larger needs and opportunities.

IX. *The Supporting Constituency.*

It remains to be said that the wider service suggested in this plan for the Board of Domestic Missions depends for its fulfillment not only upon the enterprise and leadership of the Board, but also upon the co-operation of the Church at large. Additional funds will be needed to put even the most modest of these plans into effect. The Board must therefore undertake the work of showing the Church the importance of the advanced service which it contemplates. This may not be a task of great magnitude, since increasing contributions for a number of years past have shown on the part of the membership of the Reformed Church a growing appreciation of the fundamental service rendered by this Board. It may be confidently expected, therefore, that the Church will quickly respond with larger contributions for this service, if the Board undertakes to exercise a broader leadership on its behalf.

EDUCATION AND ADMINISTRATION.

HOME MISSION WEEK.

The custom is growing in our Church of observing the week preceding Thanksgiving Day, and which includes the Sunday usually designated by the General Synod as "Domestic Mission Sunday," for the special consideration of the needs of the homeland. It is hoped that unusual emphasis will be laid this year upon this particular season, and that it may be observed in all our churches as a time not only for the study of Home Mission problems, but as a season of special prayer for our Nation; for the growth of righteousness among the people; for a renewed emphasis upon spiritual achievement by the Church. At this writing it seems certain that many of our families are destined to pass through the waters of affliction during the coming months, as their sons lay down their lives for the cause of liberty; for those principles of righteousness which Christ taught and for which the Church stands. Their sacrifice will not have served its full purpose unless our Nation shall recognize its dependence upon God and determine to abide by His precepts. To lead the people to this recognition and determination is the purpose of Home Mission effort, and Home Mission Week will be profitably employed in our churches if they use it for the studying of needs and opportunities, and in prayer for Divine guidance. Definite suggestions for such use of the week will be sent to all the churches early in the coming fall.

MISSIONARY EDUCATION.

The Board has continued its co-operation with the Joint Committee on Missionary Education, which is composed of representatives of the four Mission Boards and the Board of Publication and Bible School Work. The report of this Joint Committee is as follows:

"The Committee on Missionary Education has carried forward the plans announced to the Boards a year ago, and takes pleasure in now reporting the publication, about January 1st, 1918, of two missionary story books for Primary and Junior grades in the Bible School. These two books, both written by Miss Margaret T. Applegarth under the direction of this Committee, have been received with the warmest commendation, not only in our own churches, but by those interested in Missionary Education in other denominations. The books were published at the expense of this Committee by the Board of Publication and Bible School Work, and already about one-half of the first edition has

been sold. It is conceded by leaders of missionary education in most of the denominations that no better method of presenting missionary fundamentals to little children has ever been presented than is found in these books. The Reformed Church through them has taken a place of leadership in this endeavor. Every one of our churches and Bible Schools should be glad to use this exceptional opportunity of teaching missions to children in the school and in the home.

The Committee regrets that the course of twenty-four Missionary Travelogues, constituting its series of lessons for Intermediate grades in the Bible School, is not yet published. Much of the work of preparation has been done, and it is expected that this course will be available for the use of schools by the early fall. Each of these travelogues will be illustrated by an attractive poster in colors, for wall display, and suitable for permanent adornment of the school or class room.

It is expected that the two mission study books for senior and adult grades, one on denominational Home Missions and one on Foreign, will be written during the coming summer and be published not later than January 1st, 1919.

The planning and preparation of this Mission Study material has occupied a great deal of the time of the Committee, whose members all occupy places of responsibility with their several boards. Under the circumstances the work could not have been pushed to completion in the time originally contemplated. The matter is too important for haste, and it is believed that the Church will patiently await the completion of what the Committee sincerely believes will be recognized as a model system of graded missionary instruction."

THE MISSION FIELD.

The Missionary magazine of the Church has received a new impetus during the year just closed by the inclusion within its pages of the material which was formerly published separately by the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions in *The Mission Gleaner*. *The Mission Field* is therefore, for the first time in its thirty years of publication, representative of all the missionary causes of our Church, as well as the Board of Education and the Board of Publication and Bible School Work, both of which co-operate in its publication. The subscription list of the magazine has increased from 7,000 to 10,000 and it is hoped that the time is not far distant when it may be a monthly visitor to every family in the Church. The regular circulation through its pages of information concerning the work of Home Missions is of real

service to this Board, in that it renders unnecessary the separate publication, in the form of leaflets, of much material for the information of the Church.

DENOMINATIONAL WEEKLIES.

The Board has used the pages of *The Christian Intelligencer*, *The Leader*, and *De Hope* for the publication of information concerning its work from time to time, and has made small appropriations to those publications to compensate them for the space thus used.

CONFERENCES AND ADDRESSES.

It has been impossible for the Board to meet all the calls made upon it for speakers to represent its work in churches, at meetings of Classes, and for conferences. The nature of its work is such that it is not feasible for it to have any of its missionaries available for this service except upon the rarest of occasions. Its Board members are willing to represent the cause but, like the missionaries, they are engaged in the service of their own churches and cannot often be released in the interest of the Board. The secretaries fill as many appointments as possible, the Field Secretary especially devoting practically all of his time to the presentation of the work before churches and conferences. The matter is here mentioned in order that the Church may understand the difficulties, and appreciate the fact that the printed page has to be relied upon, in large measure, to provide the churches with information concerning the work of Home Missions.

The most successful of the conferences are those gatherings in various centers in the Particular Synod of Chicago known as Mission Festivals. These are becoming more popular from year to year and are attended by large numbers of people who not only receive inspiration and information, but also make substantial contributions to the work of the Foreign and Domestic Boards.

THE HOME MISSIONS COUNCIL.

This organization, representing the co-operative efforts of thirty or more national Home Mission organizations, has developed its service during the year and is now in a better position than ever to render assistance to its constituent boards and societies in the matter of investigation and leadership. It has opened headquarters in New York City, in charge of an

Executive Secretary, the Rev. Dr. Alfred Williams Anthony. Through this Council, the evils of overlapping and overlooking are rapidly being reduced upon the Home Mission field, and a real service is being rendered for the progress of the Kingdom here in America. This Board continues to be one of the co-operating organizations, and, represented by its Office Secretary, is intimately connected with the management of the Council.

THE SECRETARIES.

No changes have occurred during the year in the secretarial force of the Board. The Office Secretary continues in immediate charge of the Board's office in New York, making infrequent trips to various parts of the field as conditions may require. The Field Secretary has his headquarters in Holland, Michigan, where he is at the call of the churches and classes of the Particular Synod of Chicago, giving also such of his time as is possible to the Classes in the eastern section of the Church.

JOINT COMMITTEE WITH THE WOMEN'S BOARD.

This important committee has continued its services to the two boards, and has had several meetings during the year for the consideration of matters in which both are interested and concerned. It has no legislative powers delegated by the boards, but its recommendations have weight when final action is called for. Through this Committee the several phases of the work of Home Missions are being brought into closer unity, both boards having assumed a joint responsibility for the whole work of missions in the homeland as maintained by our Church.

WESTERN DISTRICT COMMITTEE.

The members of the Board residing within the bounds of the Particular Synod of Chicago, with the Field Secretary, continue to serve as a Western District Committee. This Committee has two stated meetings each year, for the consideration of applications and other matters concerning the Western churches. The recommendations of the Committee are of the utmost value to the Board, and serve to guide its final action in such matters.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.

To fill a vacancy caused by the resignation of the Rev. Dr. Malcolm J. MacLeod, the Board elected at its meeting in June,

1917, the Rev. Dr. Otis M. Trousdale, of Newark, N. J., to fill the unexpired term of two years.

The terms of the following members expire in June, 1918, and the Synod should nominate their successors:

Rev. Dr. James M. Farrar	Rev. Dr. John S. Gardner
Rev. Dr. P. T. Pockman	Rev. John Lamar
Rev. John Y. Broek	Rev. John Wesselink
Mr. Samuel E. Burtis	Mr. E. C. Hulst
Mr. John M. Kyle	

CONCLUSION.

There has never been a more crucial time in the history of our country than the present. All about us are forces antagonistic to Christ and His Church; forces that appeal to the ignorant in terms of brotherhood, but which ignore the fact that the real brotherhood of man has its foundation in the Fatherhood of God. Advantage is taken of the stress of war times to push a propaganda that can lead nowhere save to confusion and sin. The Church should make itself heard with no uncertain voice in order to combat false leadership and mistaken doctrine. It should teach insistently that individual and social regeneration are possible only when Jesus Christ is accepted as the Saviour of mankind; when men constantly and consistently live in accordance with His precepts and by His example. The churches will themselves lay aside internal dissension if they truly follow their Divine Leader, and every congregation of Christians will unitedly strive for the growth of the Kingdom of God here in America. So far as its influence may be extended within the bounds of the Reformed Church in America, the Board of Domestic Missions pledges its efforts to hasten the day when all men shall acknowledge Jesus Christ as Lord; when the Nation shall stand before the world as a Christian land. To this end it asks the co-operation of the Church by prayer, by gifts and by work. Every church and every church member has an important part in the service, and the coming year will show great things for God in America if unitedly our purpose and our services shall be consecrated to Him.

WILLIAM T. DEMAREST,
Office Secretary.
SETH VANDER WERF,
Field Secretary.

Approved by the Board, May 27th, 1918.

THE REFORMED CHURCH PROGRESS CAMPAIGN.

Since the preparation of the report of the Board of Domestic Missions, General Synod has met and passed upon the unusually important recommendations laid before it this year. The step most far-reaching in its consequences, not only to the Domestic Board but to the activity of the individual churches, was the adoption of the Five-Year Program for the Reformed Church Progress Campaign, which was proposed to the churches through Synod in a most impressive memorial. That we may have this objective continually before us in our work, special attention is called to the plans of the Board on pages 21 to 28, which indicate the relationship of the Domestic Board to this great Forward Movement. There is also given here in full the report of General Synod's Committee on the Memorial, the adoption of which by the Synod has committed all of us to this great progressive effort during these coming five years. The report of the Committee follows:

THE REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE GENERAL SYNOD.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America:

Fathers and Brethren:

Your Committee to act upon the Memorial presented by our six boards relative to a Five-Year Denominational Program, is impressed by this spectacle of the whole Denomination stepping forward to be counted into the vast enterprises of an aroused world.

We have had forward movements of many sorts in recent years, but never have we had a united and correlated movement of all our boards and agencies based on a wide Denominational Program. So natural does this plan seem today that we wonder why it has not crystallized before. We note that other denominations are now taking this step or are hard at work prosecuting such plans. The sacrificial spirit of the hour demands unified effort and unified control. The President of the United States, through the Federal Council of Churches, has called every church to raise its power to the very utmost efficiency as a war measure. If we are heedless to this call we shall become very seriously embarrassed and possibly submerged in the surge of high causes which mark the present hour. Should not enthusiasm for our task, as the Reformed Church IN AMERICA, be equal to that displayed by the Red Cross or the Y. M. C. A.? Both of these

agencies in large degree look to the Christian Church as their mother.

Shall we seem to live in spite of the war or in the war? Secretary of War Baker's slogan ought to apply with us, "In it to win it." We are called to make our contribution as a denomination. It is a most real challenge. Leave it unanswered in this General Synod and we shall not contribute much. We shall discover ourselves "dwelling apart in the place of our self-content" in the midst of a threatened world.

We are, therefore, proud when our splendid secretaries react as one man to such a world situation and then unite to tell us we as a denomination are drafted into the common cause. Believing in our church we would answer as eager volunteers.

We would, therefore, respectfully recommend:

1. That this plan to promulgate a Five-Year Denominational Program be approved with a cheer.
2. That the several boards concerned be requested to organize a Joint Committee for five years to prosecute this plan.
3. That this Joint Committee be empowered to employ an Executive Secretary if such a course be deemed wise at any time during the five years.
4. As a concrete expression of what ought to be achieved on the financial side, that General Synod declare its purpose to advance year by year its financial support of its boards and funds concerned in this Program, so that by 1923, it shall amount to \$1,000,000.
5. That we empower the Joint Committee to adopt some scheme of awarding a suitable service flag or other distinguishing marks in the printed reports of the individual church's work so that the progress of this Program may be adequately visualized for our people and our children.

HARRY W. NOBLE,
Chairman,
P. A. J. BOUMA,
OTIS M. TROUSDALE,
CHARLES W. OSBORNE,
JOHN E. PRATT.

The five recommendations of the Special Committee were unanimously adopted by the General Synod on Tuesday, June 11th, 1918.

CHURCHES AND MISSIONS AIDED BY THE BOARD.

Churches and Missions Helped	270
Missionaries and Pastors (excluding Summer students) .	211
Number of Families	10,340
Communicants	17,352
Additions by Confession	1,344
Additions by Certificate	941
In Sunday Schools	19,435
Churches Contributed for Congregational Expenses	\$249,768.11
Churches Contributed for Denominational Objects	35,691.74
Churches Contributed for Other Objects . . .	13,387.63
New Buildings, Repairs and Improvements . . .	68,089.37
New Missions Begun	5
Churches Organized	9
Assumed Self-Support	10

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

1917-1918

THE MISSIONARY FUND

From Churches	\$55,865.57	\$62,523.71
" Special for Women's Board		10,247.89
Sabbath Schools	12,241.28	12,742.00
Individuals	1,882.08	2,588.12
Women's Societies	1,091.78	
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	\$71,080.71	\$88,101.72

THE CHURCH BUILDING FUND

From Churches	\$10,099.97	\$6,515.48
Sabbath Schools	1,025.39	588.72
Young People's Societies	795.78	698.40
Individuals	493.76	230.00
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	\$12,414.90	\$8,032.60
Total Offerings, Both Funds.....	\$83,495.61	\$96,134.32
Deduct Women's Board specials in- cluded in their total below.....		10,247.89
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		\$85,886.43
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	83,495.61	
Legacies	42,415.20	46,044.47
Legacies for Investment		2,000.00
Special Fund for Investment	10,000.00	2,000.00
Interest	12,847.92	15,867.84
One Day's Income Fund, less amount included in Women's Board total....		10,548.00
Receipts, Women's Board	97,158.46	95,186.70
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	\$245,917.19	\$257,533.44

DOMESTIC MISSIONS

NEW MISSIONS ESTABLISHED

Okaton, S. D.	Classis of Dakota
Wimbleton, N. D.	Classis of Dakota
Revillo, S. D.	Classis of Germanaia
Unity, Muskegon, Mich.	Classis of Michigan
Alpine Ave., Grand Rapids, Mich.....	Classis of Michigan

CHURCHES ORGANIZED

Bemis, S. D.	Classis of Dakota
Valley Springs, S. D.	Classis of Iowa
Fairview, S. D.	Classis of Iowa
Unity, Muskegon, Mich.	Classis of Michigan
White Tail Canyon, N. Mex.	Classis of New York
Hope, West Hoboken, N. J.	Classis of Palisades
Lincoln Park, N. J.	Classis of Passaic

ASSUMED SELF-SUPPORT

Rochelle Park, N. J.	Classis of Bergen
Faith, Jersey City, N. J.	Classis of South Bergen
Steen, Minn.	Classis of Iowa
Roseland, Minn.	Classis of Iowa
Sanborn, Iowa	Classis of Iowa
Trinity, Holland, Mich.	Classis of Michigan
Bethel, Grand Rapids, Mich.	Classis of Michigan
Immanuel, Grand Rapids, Mich.	Classis of Michigan
Bethany, Kalamazoo, Mich.	Classis of Michigan
Woodcliff, N. J.	Classis of Palisades

STATISTICS OF MISSIONS AND CHURCHES AIDED BY THE BOARD.

CLASSES.	CHURCHES.	MINISTERS.	Families.	Members.	Rec'd.		In Sunday Schools.
					Confession.	Certificate.	
Albany	3rd, Albany	Vacant	164	298	14	14	366
"	6th, Albany	F. F. Blessing	128	162	50	19	312
"	Westerlo	Donald Boyd	53	75	18	....	75
"	Castleton	H. E. Jacobs, S.S..	20	21	1	1	....
Bergen	Hackensack, Italian	G. Iorizzo	20	32	....	....	....
"	Rochelle Park	.....	....	....	....	....	....
"	Harrington Park	Thos. Adams	55	77	10	6	82
"	Hackensack, 3rd	A. Weber .....	....	....	....	....	....
"	Woodcliff	J. C. Miller .....	....	....	....	....	....
"	Highwood	Vacant	20	45	1	....	125
So. Bergen...	W. Side, J. City	M. F. Luther	36	53	....	....	98
"	3rd, Bayonne	H. E. Franzen	87	132	6	....	132
"	Ger., Jersey City	G. C. Muller	98	210	14	....	80
"	Faith, Jersey City	Jas. B. Hunter	108	185	29	9	360
Cascades	Conrad, Neb.	Wm. Duen	42	70	1	1	63
"	Lynden, Wash.	H. K. Pasma	65	133	30	5	65
"	Manhattan, Mont.	R. Kroodsing	17	34	5	1	....
"	Monarch, Can.	Adri van Dyk	25	40	5	1	20
"	Portland, Ore.	.....	....	....	....	....	....
"	Spokane, Wash.	Cl. Missionary	24	....	....	....	....
"	Elk, "	Cl. Missionary	9	....	....	....	....
"	Big Timber, Mont.	.....	....	....	....	....	....
"	N. Holland, Can.	.....	....	....	....	....	....
"	Seattle, Wash.	.....	....	....	....	....	....
"	San Francisco, Cal.	Cl. Missionary	10	....	....	....	....
"	N. Yakima, Wash.	.....	....	....	....	....	....
"	Oak Harbor, "	.....	....	....	....	....	....
"	Alderson, Can.	.....	....	....	....	....	....
Chicago	W. Side, Chicago	H. J. Pietenpol	78	162	8	15	189
"	Mt. Greenwood, Chi.	J. D. Dykstra	84	160	1	23	198
"	Summit	J. Meulendyke	35	70	9	3	80
"	Lafayette	J. J. Althuis	59	120	21	7	110
"	Ustick, Ill.	Vacant .....	....	....	....	....	....
"	Newkair, "	B. T. Van der Wonde	53	54	4	....	40
"	Indianapolis	Vacant .....	....	....	....	....	....
"	Wicheat, Ill.	.....	....	....	....	....	....
"	Randolph, Wis.	M. D. Van der Meer	65	110	4	2	60

DOMESTIC MISSIONS

CLASSES.	CHURCHES.	MINISTERS.	Families.	Members.	Rec'd.		In Sunday Schools.
					Confession.	Certificate.	
Dakota	Litchville, N. D.	H. Van der Ploeg..	24	51	6	4	75
"	Corsica, S. D.	H. M. Petterson...	30	60	....	2	98
"	Maurice, Ia., Amer.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
"	Marion, S. D.	J. W. Brink.....	34	75	3	2	100
"	Grand View, "	L. H. Benes.....	31	63	6	2	66
"	Hull, Ia.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
"	Wimbleton	H. V. D. Ploeg, S.S.	13	14	.....	.....	45
"	Delaware	A. H. Waalkes....	23	43	11	.....	65
Germania	Scotland, S. D.	F. Schaefer.....	22	67	15	.....	49
"	Davis, "	H. W. Hortsch....	28	46	4	.....	75
"	Herman, Minn.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
"	No. Sibley, Ia.	H. J. Potgeter....	23	.....	4	.....	35
"	Lennox, S. D.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Grand River..	Ada, Mich.	R. W. Douma....	19	28	1	1	59
" " ..	Atwood, "	J. Webinga.....	34	70	1	4	30
" " ..	Byron Center	O. G. Droppers....	52	103	6	4	100
" " ..	Beverly, "	A. J. V. D. Heuvel.	28	61	17	7	85
" " ..	E. Paris, "	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
" " ..	Lucas, "	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
" " ..	Decatur, "	A. Oosterhof.....	35	64	3	8	88
" " ..	New Era, "	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
" " ..	Portage, "	Wm. S. Gruys....	59	96	2	9	110
" " ..	Grand Rapids, 6th	K. J. Dykema....	69	141	6	7	166
" " ..	Muskegon, 3rd	J. Broek.....	63	59	....	2	86
" " ..	Grant	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
" " ..	So. Bernard	Cl. Missionary....	17	22	1	.....	.....
" " ..	Moddersville	Cl. Missionary....	12	29	8	.....	40
" " ..	Falmouth	Cl. Missionary....	16	26	1	2	30
" " ..	Lamont	Cl. Missionary....	15	26	2	2	20
" " ..	So. Haven	Cl. Missionary....	15	24	2	.....	23
Holland	Beechwood, Mich.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
"	1st Cleveland, O.	T. G. Van den Bosch	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
"	Harlem, Mich.	B. J. Wynveen....	27	63	2	2	60
"	No. Blendon, "	J. J. Burggraaf....	32	66	3	.....	137
"	E. Overisel, "	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
"	Ebenezer, Holland	A. H. Strabbing...	52	134	14	5	125
"	Hudsonville, Mich.	Cl. Missionary....	20	35	.....	2	38
"	Three Oaks, "	J. W. Te Parske...	24	46	.....	5	58
"	Ottawa	Cl. Missionary....	28	96	14	6	80
"	Bethany, Kalamazoo	J. Van Der Meulen	132	231	17	5	578
"	Allegan	Cl. Missionary....	12	16	.....	2	.....
"	Dunningville	Cl. Missionary....	27	57	3	2	54
"	6th, Holland	Vacant	21	47	1	5	135
Hudson	Hung., Hudson, N. Y.	Vacant	5	12
"	Livingston, "	E. T. F. Randolph.	50	49	3	1	40

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					Confession.	Certificate.	
Illinois	Emanuel, Chicago	Vacant	55	94	10	12	200
"	Spring Lake, Ill.	Theo. Shafer.....	19	50	1	1	35
"	Trinity, Ital., Miss.	J. Scorza.....	3	4	4	....	....
"	2nd, Englewood, "	L. Dykstra.....	85	194	15	6	200
Iowa	Archer, Ia.	S. J. Menning.....	33	....	5	3	70
"	Chandler, Minn.	H. E. Reinhart....	47	92	21	6	90
"	Doon, Ia.	E. S. Schilstra....	23	43	....	5	65
"	Ireton, "	Wm. Stegeman....	39	42	....	1	60
"	Rotterdam, Kan.	J. Hoffman.....	25	52	....	....	54
"	Volga, S. D.	.....	....	....	....	....	....
"	Churchville, Minn.	G. E. Cook.....	25	....	....	....	50
"	Steen, "	.....	....	....	....	....	....
"	Sandstone, "	Th. L. De Lange...	26	58	....	....	60
"	Friesland, "	.....	....	....	....	....	....
"	Luctor, Kan.	.....	....	....	....	....	....
"	Edgerton, Minn.	J. De Jongh.....	62	105	4	8	90
"	Sanborn, Ia.	B. R. Van Zyl....	42	98	17	18	85
"	Sioux City, Ia.	Vacant	20	42	8	....	27
"	Matlock, "	Cl. Missionary.....	12	29	5	2	30
"	Twin Brooks, S. D.	J. J. Dragt, S.S....	10	20	4	....	....
"	Prairie View, Kan.	C. Lepeltak.....	23	53	....	2	46
"	Inwood, Ia.	H. S. Muilenburg..	25	43	5	5	27
"	Bigelow, Ia.	H. Hoff's.....	19	35	2	6	24
"	Sibley, "	H. Hoff's.....	23	37	1	6	26
"	Melvin, "	E. Furda.....	26	40	8	9	40
"	Rock Rapids, "	Cl. Missionary.....	24	46	8	....	55
"	Lester, "	Cl. Missionary.....	22	4	5	4	45
"	Alvoord, "	Cl. Missionary.....	11	16	2	2	25
"	Valley Springs, S. D.	Cl. Missionary.....	10	20	3	....	30
Kingston .....	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....
"	Krumville, N. Y.	T. A. Beekman....	32	30	....	....	60
No. L. Island.	Ridgewood, Brooklyn, N. Y.	G. R. Israel.....	54	172	25	....	275
" " " "	Winfield, "	W. T. E. Adams...	46	95	13	2	168
" " " "	Hicksville, "	Vacant	30	50	....	....	50
" " " "	N. Hyde Park, "	Vacant	50	63	1	6	136
" " " "	Far Rockaway, "	Vacant	40	80	....	....	54
" " " "	Ch. of Jesus, Bklyn.	Chr. Oswald.....	88	150	15	....	300
So. L. Island.	Woodlawn	J. G. Addy.....	141	224	20	3	356
" " " "	Edgewood	A. Wouters.....	24	20	....	4	200
" " " "	Greenwood Hts.	S. G. Tyndall.....	120	289	12	25	350
" " " "	Ocean Hill	A. Hageman.....	100	136	10	2	169
" " " "	Bethany	A. J. Waugh.....	43	70	2	1	34
" " " "	St. Thomas, V. I.	A. H. Leslie.....	42	69	14	27
" " " "	Woodhaven, L. I.	F. L. Cornish.....	192	359	19	21	389

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CLASSES.	CHURCHES.	MINISTERS.	Families.	Members.	Rec'd.		In Sunday Schools.
					Confession.	Certificate.	
Michigan	No. Park, Kalamazoo	R. Van den Berg..	62	126	21	7	185
"	Trinity, Gd. Rapids	J. Van Zomeren...	94	166	17	17	300
"	Bethel, Grand Rapids	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
"	Knapp Ave., Gd. Rap.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
"	Calvary, Gd. Rapids	C. P. Dame.....	47	103	18	19	190
"	Zion, Grand Rapids	R. Bloemendal....	20	34	4	8	60
"	Imm'l. Grand Rapids	I. Van Westenburg.	123	262	33	24	319
"	Trinity, Holland	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
"	Bethany, Kalamazoo	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
"	Hamilton, Mich.	R. D. Meengs.....	32	63	3	5	106
"	Allendale, "	Cl. Missionary....	25	67	6	61	60
Monmouth ...	Red Bank, N. J.	L. G. Leggett.....	134	320	8	1	248
Montgomery ..	Ephratah, N. Y.	R. A. Stanton.....	50	90	.....	.....	104
" ..	Stone Arabia, "	R. A. Stanton.....	24	52	.....	.....	93
" ..	Johnstown, "	P. S. Beekman....	90	146	3	2	104
Newark	Netherwood, N. J.	Edw. G. Read, S.S.	83	152	5	5	168
"	Marconnier, "	J. T. Lansdale....	43	66	3	1	73
"	Italian, Newark.	D. N. Febrile.....	173	118	.....	.....	186
"	Christ Ch., Newark	H. K. Post.....	91	175	14	8	200
"	2nd, Irvington	G. Moore, Jr.....	65	118	10	1	256
"	N. Y. Ave., Newark	G. H. Donovan....	93	155	1	5	201
N. Brunswick.	Perth Amboy, N. J.	J. Ganss.....	160	190	12	.....	100
" ..	Highland Park	F. K. Shield.....	117	273	4	6	310
" ..	Bonhamtown	D. G. De Boer, S.S.	.....	.....	.....	.....	50
" ..	E. Somerville	M. G. Gooselink...	.....	.....	.....	.....	80
New York....	Huguenot, N. Y.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
" ..	West Farms, "	Wm. N. MacNeill..	50	57	7	.....	76
" ..	Mariners Harbor	Wm. E. Compton..	108	128	6	4	180
" ..	And. Memorial	J. A. De Boer.....	61	91	17	5	201
" ..	McKee, Ky.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
" ..	Annyville, "	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
" ..	Grey Hawk, "	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
" ..	Colony, Okla	.....	.....	227	14	.....	140
" ..	Comanche	.....	.....	162	.....	.....	.....
" ..	Apache	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
" ..	Winnebago, Neb	G. Watermulder...	80	223	7	9	.....
" ..	Mescalero, N. Mex	.....	70	108	15	2	180
Orange	Ital., Newburgh	Pietro S. Moncada.	180	33	1	.....	175
"	Callicoon, N. Y.	J. E. Straub.....	75	111	2	.....	73
"	Minisink, "	E. S. J. Patterson.	30	50	5	2	60
Palisades	Woodcliff, N. J.	J. C. Miller.....	170	287	33	32	388
" ..	1st, Hoboken, N. J.	J. D. Peters.....	52	120	14	.....	161
" ..	Secaucus, "	E. C. Sult.....	40	64	.....	.....	162
" ..	Ital. Weehawken	E. F. Jacobellis..	180	.....	.....	.....	300
" ..	Guttenberg, N. J.	H. A. Eliason.....	103	120	32	8	225
" ..	Hope, W. Hoboken	A. Luidens.....	271	119	10	109	265

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Paramus	Garfield, N. J.	E. Hill.....	50	84	7	117
"	Saddle River, "	I. Van Kampen....	80	92	2	3	69
"	Waldwick, "	I. Van Kampen....	12	23	1	62
"	Hohokus, "	J. A. Terhune.....	50	75	6	....	68
"	Upper Ridgewood	J. A. Terhune.....	40	53	12	41	63
"	2nd, Clifton	J. H. E. TeGrooten- huis	55	107	6	3	125
"	No. Paterson						
"	Glen Rock	D. C. Weidner....	50	65	4	1	141
"	Hawthorne	Walter T. Bloom..	100	147	7	6	240
Passaic	Wanaque, N. J.	H. A. Deck.....	75	91	12	7	206
"	Mountain Lakes	T. E. Gouwens....	84	135	15	23	119
Pella	Eddyville, Ia.	Cl. Missionary....	16	34	1	....	55
"	N. Sharon, "	E. Huibregtse.....	33	74	....	2	95
"	Prairie City, "	G. Flikkema.....	47	94	4	6	90
"	Sully, "	C. W. Deelsnyder..	30	47	....	1	60
"	Muscatine, ,						
"	Oskaloosa, ,	Cl. Missionary....	22	41	....	4	57
"	Galesburg						
"	Killduff	G. G. Heneveld....	23	49	4	2	56
Philadelphia..	Florence, S. Car.	H. A. Barnes.....	5	22	2	1	25
"	Timmons ville, "	A. J. Wilkinson....	10	25	1	1	46
Pl. Prairie....	Alexander, Ia.	F. J. Schaefer.....	38	53	1	....	70
"	Elim, Ill.	F. H. Kroensche...	32	63	....	....	75
"	Peoria, "	A. J. Reeverts....	48	54	7	....	....
"	Bristow, Iowa	A. Wubbena.....	36	35	2	....	45
"	2nd, Pekin, Ill.						
"	Dumont, Ia.	J. H. Brandon....	27	35	....	....	22
"	Fairview, "						
"	Goodell, "	Cl. Missionary....	14	....	....	....	21
"	Kesley, "	Cl. Missionary....	32	....	....	....	....
"	Rockford, "	Cl. Missionary....	6	....	....	....	....
"	Brownsdale, Minn.	Cl. Missionary....	12	....	....	....	....
"	Britt, Ia.	Cl. Missionary....	6	....	....	....	....
Poughkeepsie.	Arlington, N. Y.	A. C. Bird.....	75	123	....	4	150
"	Emanuel, Po'keepsie	E. Clapp.....	45	55	....	....	107
Raritan	Finderne, N. J.	M. G. Gosselink, S.S.	....	....	....	....	80
Rensselaer ...	Rensselaer, N. Y.	D. J. Many.....	40	62	3	2	7
Rochester	Sodus, N. Y.	S. M. Hogenboom..	36	76	13	7	75
"	Ontario, "	G. H. Hospers....	64	148	1	....	100
"	Williamson	C. Van der Schoor.	60	122	18	23	125
Saratoga	Beacon Hill, N. Y.	Vavant	35	109	4	1	65
"	Gansevoort, "	Vacant	37	53	5	5	104
"	Schaghticoke, "	Vacant	26	66	3	3	25

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					Confession.	Certificate.	
Schenectady..	Mt. Pleasant, N. Y.	E. O. Schwiters...	195	260	38	42	290
" ..	Amity, "	J. A. De Hollander	30	60	....	....	76
" ..	Woodlawn, "	H. C. Willoughby..	....	122	8	8	181
Schoharie	1st, Howes Cave, N. Y.	J. L. Amerman, D.D.	32	37	4	....	58
"	2d, Howes Cave, "	H. C. Moorehouse.	73	146	35	2	150
"	Prattsville, "	.....	....	....	....	....	....
"	Grand Gorge, "	V. Ziegler.....	30	53	5	2	50
"	Cobleskill, "	J. L. Amerman, D.D.	27	35	....	....	25
"	So. Gilboa, "	V. Ziegler....*	....	....	....	....	60
Ulster	Esopus, N. Y.	C. Van Oostenbrugge	78	130	13	13	115
Westchester..	Crescent Pl., Yonkers	John S. Allen.....	56	60	6	5	112
" ..	Mill Sq., "	C. Armbruster.....	53	96	12	....	....
" ..	Elmsford, N. Y.	A. V. S. Wallace...	75	70	9	1	100
" ..	Scarsdale	.....	....	....	....	....	....
" ..	Peekskill	Jas. Mulder.....	74	122	22	17	140
" ..	Hung'n. Peekskill	L. S. H. Hamory...	30	55	....	....	65
" ..	1st, Yonkers	F. W. Cutler.....	181	491	21	2	....
" ..	Greenville	C. A. Hallenbeck..	100	65	....	2	51
Wisconsin	2nd, Englewood	L. Dykstra.....	....	....	....	....	....
"	Sheboygan, Wis.	M. C. Ruissard....	77	176	23	2	162
"	Forestville, "	P. E. A. Schroeder.	23	56	8	4	40

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AUDITOR'S STATEMENT

May 25, 1918.

MR. GEORGE WARREN DUNN, *Chairman*, Business Committee,
Board of Domestic Missions, Reformed Church in America,
New York, N. Y.

DEAR SIR:

During the year ended April 30, 1918, we have audited the monthly cash transactions and written up the books of the Treasurer of the Board of Domestic Missions and submit herewith

STATEMENT OF CONDITION as at April 30, 1918

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

MISSIONARY FUND

for the Year Ended April 30, 1918

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

CHURCH BUILDING FUND

for the Year Ended April 30, 1918

The total amount of bequests and donations of which the principal is invested, amounts to \$255,700.56, which has been accounted for as shown in the attached "Statement of Condition." The amount of money on deposit with the Union Trust Company was verified and evidence of ownership of the several bonds and mortgages were inspected, together with the stocks and bonds as listed. We have performed the necessary work to satisfy ourselves that all cash transactions have been properly accounted for.

At this date it is impossible to ascertain the amount of accrued income from legacies, or donations to the Board of Domestic Missions, held in trust by the Board of Direction of the General Synod, for the reason that they have not as yet pro-rated and determined such amount.

Respectfully submitted,

McWHORTER, BOYCE, HUGHES & FARRELL,

By CHAS. F. McWHORTER,
Certified Public Accountants, University of the
State of New York.

DOMESTIC MISSIONS

BOARD OF DOMESTIC MISSIONS

STATEMENT OF CONDITIONS, APRIL 30, 1918

FUNDS TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR:

Catharine Beekman Brownlee Memorial Fund	\$2,000.00	
Florence Lindsey Memorial Fund.....	1,000.00	
Ann R. Cook Memorial Fund	1,000.00	
Graham Memorial Fund	14,212.50	
Milledolar Memorial Fund	14,212.50	
Van Kleeck Memorial Fund	11,000.00	
Jansen Memorial Fund	8,000.00	
Krunville Memorial Fund	2,000.00	
Elizabeth Diehl Memorial Fund.....	2,000.00	
Peter Cortelyou Memorial Fund.....	2,000.00	
Peter I. Neefus Annuity Fund	3,000.00	
Peter Semelink Annuity Fund.....	2,000.00	
Dirk Van Obbink Annuity Fund.....	500.00	
A. J. Schaefer Legacy Fund.....	150.00	
Josiah Schenck Legacy Fund	3,537.15	
Blauvelt Legacy Fund	1,000.00	
Sarah F. Sumner Legacy Fund	2,500.00	
Peter I. Neefus Building Fund.....	9,000.00	
Mary Martin Neefus Building Fund...	3,000.00	
Women's Executive Committee Trust Fund	7,500.00	
G. W. Hopper Trust Fund	1,500.00	
Rosendale Trust Fund	500.00	
Mary Martin Neefus Fund	15,532.23	
Arianna Van Houton Fund	4,000.00	
Madison Ave. Reformed Church Fund.	10,000.00	
		\$121,144.38
Mrs. Rachel A. Ryerson Legacy Fund..	\$2,000.00	
John Van Der Veer Legacy Fund.....	950.00	
John Helen Elmendorf Legacy Fund..	953.00	
John Antonides Legacy Fund.....	4,728.00	
M. F. Veeder Legacy Fund	4,386.23	
Phoebe J. Cowenhoven Legacy Fund..	891.85	
Jane C. Morris Legacy Fund	1,000.00	
Goyn Talmage Legacy Fund.....	250.00	
Alida Van Schaick Legacy Fund.....	109,669.10	
George Cleveland Legacy Fund.....	5,000.00	
John Antonides Building Fund.....	4,728.00	
		134,556.18
		\$255,700.56

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Received for Other Boards.....	\$26.77	
Contingent Fund	35,000.00	
Legacy Fund—		
Invested	\$48,659.23	
Cash	101,541.89	
		150,201.12
Missionary Fund		10,301.92
Church Building Fund		34,570.66
		<u>230,100.47</u>
		\$485,801.03

ACCOUNTED FOR AS FOLLOWS:

Trust Fund Investments:

Bond and Mortgage	\$25,000.00	
Bond and Mortgage	10,000.00	
Bond and Mortgage	12,000.00	
Bond and Mortgage	14,500.00	
Bond and Mortgage	7,250.00	
Bond and Mortgage	6,000.00	
Bond and Mortgage	18,000.00	
Bond and Mortgage	8,000.00	
Real Estate	11,876.48	
United States Bonds	3,193.23	
Stock	355.00	
		<u>\$116,174.71</u>

Legacy Fund Investments:

Bond and Mortgage	\$4,000.00	
Bond and Mortgage	3,500.00	
Bond and Mortgage	2,000.00	
Real Estate	5,104.10	
Stocks	34,055.13	
		<u>48,659.23</u>

Held in Trust:

Board of Direction	\$129,556.18	
United States Trust Company.....	5,000.00	
		<u>134,556.18</u>

Cash in Union Trust Company:

General Investment Fund	\$4,969.67	
Contingent Fund	35,000.00	
Legacy Fund	101,541.89	
Missionary Fund	10,328.69	
Church Building Fund	34,570.66	
		<u>186,410.91</u>
		\$485,801.03

DOMESTIC MISSIONS

BOARD OF DOMESTIC MISSIONS

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

Year Ended April 30, 1918

MISSIONARY FUND

RECEIPTS

Cash on Hand, May 1, 1917:

Designated for Students' Salaries	\$2,500.00	
Legacy Fund	45,939.39	
Available Funds	3,308.54	
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		\$51,747.93

Contributions:

From Churches	\$62,523.71	
From Churches, Special for Women's Board	10,247.89	
From Sunday Schools	12,742.00	
From Individuals	2,588.12	
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		\$88,101.72

Women's Board of Domestic Missions:

For Classical Missionaries.	\$2,500.00	
For Student Missionaries..	3,000.00	
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		5,500.00

Legacies:

Mary C. Miller	\$300.00	
Thomas Edwards	23,670.00	
Elizabeth V. S. Winthrop..	2,500.00	
Jane E. Blauvelt	5,000.00	
Bertha Brockmeier	1,000.00	
Ella S. Goldsmith	910.26	
Hiley Merselis	2,977.10	
Caroline Brundage	100.00	
John Lemmenes	8,911.86	
George Corey	232.75	
Komer Schaddelee	17.50	
James Lane	100.00	
R. J. De Ring	25.00	
Hendrikus Hofs	300.00	
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		46,044.47

Income from Investments.....	\$7,978.75	
Interest on Bank Balances....	2,779.82	
Sale of Property	12,049.70	
One Day Income Fund.....	15,405.47	
Refund Appropriations	175.26	
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		38,389.00
Received for Other Boards.....	56,530.06	
Adjustment of Real Estate Expenses.....	5.48	
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		234,570.73

Total Receipts	\$286,318.66
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DISBURSEMENTS

Service in the Field:

Classical Missionaries	\$20,641.18	
Missionary Salaries	48,935.48	
Students' Salaries	6,126.03	
Missionary Field Expenses.	18.46	
Alien Workers	6,880.63	
Sundry Field Expenses....	962.58	
		\$83,564.36

Furnishing Information of the Work:

Mission Field	\$555.22	
Missionary Education	500.00	
Secretaries' Traveling	1,175.00	
Printing Leaflets	429.80	
Printing Annual Report....	696.95	
Home Missions Council....	210.00	
Denominational Papers....	225.00	
		3,791.97

Administrative Expenses:

Secretaries' Salaries	\$5,749.92	
Office Assistant	1,061.64	
Rent	1,140.81	
Stationery and Printing...	950.63	
Audit	150.00	
Legal Expenses	81.50	
Sundries	839.15	
		\$9,973.65

Less Building Fund Propor- tion	987.23	
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8,986.42

Paid to Other Boards	\$56,503.29	
Paid Specials to Women's Board	10,299.42	
Women's Board of Domestic Mission Repayments	758.55	
One Day's Income Paid to Women's Board	4,857.47	
Interest on Church Mortgages.	510.00	
Annuities	72.50	
Payment to Edwards Estate...	500.00	
Legacy Fund Invested	4,604.10	
		78,105.33

Total Disbursements \$174,448.08

Cash on Hand, April 30, 1918:

Designated for Students' Salaries....	\$3,000.00	
In Legacy Fund	101,541.89	
Available Funds	7,328.69	
		111,870.58
		\$286,318.66

DOMESTIC MISSIONS

BOARD OF DOMESTIC MISSIONS

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

Year Ended April 30, 1918

CHURCH BUILDING FUND

RECEIPTS

Cash on Hand, May 1, 1917 \$15,483.40

Contributions:

Churches	\$6,515.48
Sunday Schools	588.72
Young People's Societies...	698.40
Individuals	230.00

\$8,032.60

Women's Board of Domestic Missions:

For Parsonages, etc.:

Litchville, N. D.	\$800.00
Grand Rapids, Mich., Zion	800.00
Williamson, N. Y.	1,000.00
St. Thomas, V. I., (Re-	
pairs)	500.00

\$3,100.00

For Furnishings:

Trinity, Grand Rapids...	600.00
West Hoboken, N. J.....	827.00

4,527.00

Repayments on Account of Mortgages:

Meservey, Ia.	\$1,325.00
North Yakima, Wash.	365.94
Seventh Grand Rapids, Mich.	170.00
Altamont, N. Y.	300.00
South Bushwick, Brooklyn,	
N. Y.	325.02
Grandville, Mich.	110.00
Luctor, Kans.	171.65
Cleveland, O., Calvary....	85.00
Williamson, N. Y.....	89.40
Hull, Iowa	105.00
Kalamazoo, Mich., Bethany	100.00
Montclair, N. J.	100.00
Baldwin, Wis.	695.00
Coytesville, N. J.	500.00
Morrison, Ill., Ebenezer....	934.72
De Mott, Ind.	200.00
Rochester, N. Y., 2nd.....	102.72
Grand Haven, Mich., 2nd..	100.00
Silver Creek, Minn.	155.24
South Blenden, Mich.	165.00

Red Bank, N. J.	100.00
Prairie City, Iowa	150.00
Dell Rapids, S. D.	70.00
Albany, N. Y., 6th.....	80.00
Davis, S. D.	14.00
Castlewood, S. D.	50.00
Little Falls, N. J., 2nd....	100.00
Carmel, Ia.	650.00
Lodi, N. J., 1st	21.65
Sully, Iowa	50.00
Beverly, Mich.	100.00
Niskayuna, N. Y., Verdoy..	100.00
Grand Haven, Mich., 1st..	300.00
Ustick, Ill.	50.00
Grand Rapids, Immanuel..	50.00
Chicago, Ill., West Side....	125.00
Wichert, Ill.	100.00
Melvin, Iowa	27.00
New Holland, Canada	14.00
Newton, Ill.	1,718.68
Stout, Iowa	30.00
Kalamazoo, Mich., 3rd.....	617.00
Mariners Harbor, N. Y....	143.78
Dempster, S. D.	40.00
Waupun, Wis.	100.00
Bloomington, N. Y.	100.00
Rochester, N. Y., Brighton.	10.00
Canarsie, N. Y.	50.00
L. I. City, N. Y., 1st.....	65.00
Harrington Park, N. J....	50.00
Yonkers, N. Y., Park Hill..	250.00
Ellsworth, Minn., Bethel..	587.20
Jersey City, N. J., Central Ave.	100.00
Westfield, N. D.	900.00
Albany, N. Y., 3rd.....	80.00
Syracuse, N. Y., 2nd.....	240.00
Lodi, N. J., 2nd.....	45.00
Grand Rapids, Grace	50.00
Friesland, Wis.	515.00
Cleveland, Ohio, 1st	25.68
Randolph, Wis.	67.00
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	14,035.63

Sale of Property:

Jericho, L. I.	\$350.00
Norwood Park, Ill.	1,666.66
Muscatine, Iowa	1,159.85
Manito, Ill.	900.00
Sioux Falls, S. D.	5,000.00

9,076.51

Income from Investment 5,109.27

Total Receipts	<hr/>	\$40,781.06
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		\$56,264.46

DISBURSEMENTS

Churches :

Sectional Church, Holland, Mich.	\$1,239.00	
Sectional Church, Charles St., W. Hoboken	550.00	
Ottawa, Mich.	800.00	
Anderson Memorial, Repairs W. Hoboken, N. J., Charles St.	465.00	
	4,000.00	
Emanuel Church, Pough- keepsie, N. Y.	3,500.00	
St. Thomas, V. I.	900.00	
New Holland, Canada.....	250.00	
Westerlo, N. Y., Repairs...	500.00	
	<hr/>	\$12,204.00

Parsonages :

Calvary, Grand Rapids ...	\$800.00	
Prairie City, Iowa	800.00	
	<hr/>	1,600.00

Furnishings :

Trinity, Grand Rapids	\$600.00	
Charles St., West Hoboken	827.00	
	<hr/>	1,427.00

Interest on Church Mortgages :

Charles S., West Hoboken.	\$125.00	
Church of Jesus, Brooklyn.	300.00	
Edgewood, Brooklyn	125.00	
Greenwood Hts., Brooklyn.	500.00	
West Side, Jersey City....	223.50	
Mountain Lakes, N. J....	417.25	
Clifton, N. J.	68.75	
Forest Park, Brooklyn ...	550.00	
Newburgh, N. Y.	100.00	
Woodlawn, Brooklyn, N. Y.	150.00	
Lodi, N. J., 2nd	45.00	
Christ Church, Newark....	400.00	
2nd Howes Cave, N. Y....	36.00	
Highland Park, N. J.....	80.00	
	<hr/>	3,120.50

Women's Board of Domestic Missions :

Repayments	2,315.25
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Expenses :

Insurance	\$33.00	
Proportion of Office Expense	987.23	
Miscellaneous Expenses ...	6.82	
	<hr/>	1,027.05

Total Disbursements	\$21,693.80
Cash on Hand, April 30, 1918	34,570.66
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	\$56,264.46

SUMMARY OF CONTRIBUTIONS, SHOWING CLASSICAL AND SYNODICAL TOTALS.

CLASSES AND CHURCHES.	Missionary Fund.		Church Bldg. Fund.		From Y. P. Societies.	For W. B. D. M.	Totals.
	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
NEW YORK							
Hudson	875 99	90 71	143 46	4 00	141 21	512 01	1767 38
Kingston	348 66	46 32	20 25	8 00	2 00	434 76	859 99
North Long Island.....	1269 14	125 54	307 99	9 00	5 00	1193 24	2909 91
South Long Island.....	1719 92	514 36	229 08	34 50	.....	3576 52	6074 38
New York	10013 00	605 04	918 78	15 17	52 63	9952 82	21557 44
Orange	905 70	81 49	180 63	.....	.....	744 35	1912 17
Poughkeepsie	723 12	65 52	133 84	.....	27 00	1109 85	2059 33
Westchester	1362 97	28 64	202 19	.....	12 00	1336 74	2942 54
Totals	17218 50	1557 62	2136 22	82 67	227 84	18860 29	40083 14
ALBANY							
Albany	1675 83	86 57	323 95	15 00	7 50	1197 28	3306 13
Greene	445 35	16 25	95 64	.....	5 00	494 05	1056 29
Montgomery	672 27	112 43	139 69	.....	5 00	1206 07	2135 46
Rensselaer	442 76	40 60	49 86	2 00	12 30	596 82	1144 34
Rochester	711 03	442 50	225 19	.....	31 00	562 67	1972 39
Saratoga	400 30	43 14	79 66	10 12	.....	338 12	871 34
Schenectady	564 57	35 40	87 94	.....	7 50	1097 94	1813 35
Schoharie	220 54	20 00	26 69	.....	7 31	280 11	554 65
Ulster	391 72	70 00	50 44	.....	7 35	492 85	1012 36
Totals	5524 37	886 89	1079 06	27 12	82 96	6265 91	13866 31
CHICAGO							
Cascades	588 92	50 00	28 46	.....	.....	131 00	798 38
Chicago	1933 76	1133 10	456 22	10 00	24 75	891 83	4449 66
Dakota	1927 61	314 60	343 65	15 00	25 00	876 57	3502 43
Germania	1342 37	25 19	120 10	13 55	.....	145 05	1646 26
Grand River	2893 03	1913 68	338 56	157 78	100 70	1963 10	7366 85
Holland	4369 24	1826 29	389 43	127 68	89 85	2053 80	8856 29
Illinois	1136 34	52 00	45 47	.....	.....	316 00	1549 90
Iowa	9365 40	1698 77	931 43	50 00	85 18	3547 86	15678 64
Michigan	2712 83	573 17	477 92	72 53	.....	1996 88	5833 33
Pella	3103 71	242 73	151 47	25 00	18 00	1147 87	4688 78
Pleasant Prairie	2702 50	149 77	358 48	11 03	10 00	258 93	3490 71
Wisconsin	2464 11	649 27	264 12	58 25	40 60	1180 97	4657 32
Totals	34539 82	8628 66	3905 31	540 82	394 08	14509 86	62518 55
NEW BRUNSWICK							
Bergen	1011 17	179 41	266 45	.....	21 58	1150 79	2629 60
South Bergen	1119 83	143 54	288 48	4 45	3 85	742 83	2302 98
Monmouth	286 37	32 68	58 00	4 97	2 50	471 19	855 71
Newark	1587 69	93 75	419 05	10 00	2 00	3087 79	5200 28
New Brunswick	1242 11	122 48	318 71	.....	20 00	1392 55	3095 85
Palisades	1189 65	176 32	126 45	5 00	.....	832 88	2330 30
Paramus	2607 41	641 87	486 85	5 00	21 86	2767 57	6350 56
Passaic	831 73	227 14	231 47	19 22	8 53	440 36	1758 45
Philadelphia	560 24	128 89	119 03	.....	8 50	529 67	1346 33
Raritan	867 82	256 12	78 89	31 32	18 35	1341 23	2593 73
Totals	11304 02	2002 20	2393 58	79 96	107 17	12756 86	28643 79
Grand Totals	68586 71	13075 37	9514 17	730 57	812 05	52392 92	145111 79

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE MISSIONARY FUND.

COMPARED WITH APPROPRIATIONS MADE FROM THE MISSIONARY FUND
BY THE BOARD OF DOMESTIC MISSIONS

	Contributions 1917-18	Appropriations 1917-18
SYNOD OF ALBANY		
Albany	1762 40	836 00
Montgomery	784 70	300 00
Rensselaer	483 36	275 00
Rochester	1153 53	1410 00
Schenectady	619 97	1350 00
Schoharie	240 54	875 00
Ulster	461 72	150 00
Totals	5506 72	5196 00
SYNOD OF NEW YORK		
Hudson	966 70	1500 00
North Long Island.....	1394 68	1825 00
South Long Island.....	2234 28	1600 00
New York	10618 04	2196 00
Orange	987 19	1700 00
Poughkeepsie	788 64	1320 00
Westchester	1379 71	3185 00
Totals	18369 24	13326 00
SYNOD OF NEW BRUNSWICK		
Bergen	1190 58	1490 00
South Bergen	1263 37	1800 00
Monmouth	319 05	520 00
Newark	1681 44	3070 00
New Brunswick	1364 59	1282 00
Palisades	1365 97	2850 00
Paramus	3261 18	1425 00
Passaic	1058 87	200 00
Philadelphia	689 13	780 00
Raritan	1123 94	312 00
Totals	13318 12	13729 00
SYNOD OF CHICAGO		
Cascades	638 92	5162 00
Chicago	3066 86	2250 00
Dakota	2342 21	2500 00
Germania	1367 56	2025 00
Grand River	4806 71	4225 00
Holland	6195 53	3350 00
Illinois	1188 43	1975 00
Iowa	11064 17	10248 00
Michigan	3286 00	4200 00
Pella	3346 44	2800 00
Pleasant Prairie	2852 27	1891 00
Wisconsin	3113 38	975 00
Totals	43268 48	41001 00
Grand Totals	80462 48	73252 00

SUMMARY OF CONTRIBUTIONS, SHOWING TOTALS FOR EACH CHURCH AND CLASSIS.

CLASSES AND CHURCHES.	Missionary Fund.		Church Bldg. Fund.		From Y. P. Societies.	For W. B. D. M.	Totals.
	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF ALBANY							
First Albany	600 00		100 00			373 00	1073 00
Madison Ave., Albany	741 68	50 00	200 70			515 64	1508 02
Third Albany	42 50					25 00	67 50
Fourth Albany	60 00					35 00	95 00
Fifth Albany	43 32					45 00	88 32
Sixth Albany	45 31			5 00		20 00	70 31
First Bethlehem	32 00					103 09	135 09
Second Berne							
Clarksville	4 62		91				5 53
Coeymans		5 00				19 30	24 30
Delmar	31 26	26 60	12 50		3 00	30 00	103 36
Jerusalem	15 00					5 00	20 00
Knox							
N. Baltimore	22 29	4 97			4 50	13 75	45 51
New Salem	13 01		2 34			10 00	25 35
Onesquethaw	2 50						2 50
Union							
Westerlo	12 34		7 50			2 50	22 34
Cedar Hill				10 00			10 00
Castleton	10 00						10 00
Totals	1675 83	86 57	323 95	15 00	7 50	1197 28	3306 13
CLASSIS OF BERGEN							
First Hackensack	117 00	30 00	25 00			210 00	382 00
Schraalenburg	24 42		162 35			130 25	317 02
English Neighborhood	9 00		10 00			15 00	34 00
Second Hackensack	396 38		22 30			280 00	698 68
Third Hackensack	16 00					3 00	19 00
Closter	101 86	7 56	20 00			118 00	247 42
No. Hackensack	31 00	18 74			3 00	65 13	117 87
Spring Valley						17 00	17 00
Westwood	106 87	63 41			18 58	23 50	212 36
Oradell	99 04	35 25	17 00			140 20	291 49
Hasbrouck Hts.	10 00					43 28	53 28
Highwood		8 25				30 03	38 28
Rochelle Park		16 20				15 00	31 20
Bogota	60 96					16 65	77 61
Harrington Park	38 64		10 00			43 75	92 39
Totals	1011 17	179 41	266 65		21 58	1150 79	2620 60
CLASSIS OF SOUTH BERGEN							
Bergen	332 86	29 73	121 04			136 37	620 00
First Bayonne	168 00	30 00	20 00			120 00	338 00
First Jersey City	113 96	32 40	36 00	4 45		66 23	253 04
Park, Jersey City						46 00	46 00
Fifth Street, Bayonne	226 67	34 93	33 58			164 86	460 04
Second Hudson City	13 98					25 00	38 98
Lafayette	182 78	16 48	60 93		3 85	48 52	312 56
Greenville	20 80					38 00	58 80

CLASSES AND CHURCHES.	Missionary Fund.		Church Bldg. Fund.		From Y. P. Societies.	For W. B. D. M.	Totals.
	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF SOUTH BERGEN (Continued)							
Third Bayonne	15 00		5 00				20 00
First German, Jersey City.....	10 00						10 00
St. John's, Jersey City.....							
Faith, Jersey City	35 78		11 93			97 85	145 56
West Side, Jersey City.....							
Totals	1119 83	143 54	288 48	4 45	3 85	742 83	2302 98
CLASSIS OF CASCADES							
Carlstadt							
Hope							
Lynden	51 30						51 30
Manhattan			14 00				14 00
Monarch	75 00						75 00
Conrad							
N. Yakima	177 75	50 00				67 00	294 75
Oak Harbor	61 53		11 25			24 00	96 78
Spokane							
Portland	5 00						5 00
Elk	31 00						31 00
Vincent							
Seattle	30 00					40 00	70 00
Big Timber	2 50		3 21				5 71
San Francisco	133 25						133 25
New Holland	12 53						12 53
Nyssa	6 85						6 85
Martinez	2 21						2 21
Totals	588 92	50 00	28 46			131 00	798 38
CLASSIS OF CHICAGO							
First Chicago	475 10		100 00			209 00	784 10
West Side, Chicago	49 00	98 68				52 20	199 88
Danforth		22 39					22 39
De Motte	48 00		11 50				59 50
Phenezer	50 00					82 00	132 00
First Englewood	87 37	132 88	34 14			10 00	264 39
First Fulton	28 50	51 54	21 18			12 88	114 10
Second Fulton	95 42	67 50	15 88		18 00	95 00	291 80
Gano	45 80	20 00	20 30			34 00	120 10
Indianapolis	10 00		2 50			10 00	22 50
Lafayette	33 72	18 90	5 73			10 00	68 35
Lansing	168 75	75 00	40 00		6 75	58 75	349 25
Mount Greenwood	27 00	4 80	12 00			30 00	73 80
Newton	49 70	4 42	80 00			55 00	189 12
Randolph	20 63	32 65					53 28
First Roseld	345 75	450 00	80 00			50 00	925 75
South Holland	239 98	127 84	10 00			132 00	509 82
Istiek	4 89	7 25	3 54			30 00	45 68
Summit	48 35	19 25		10 00		11 00	88 60
Wichert	105 80		19 45			10 00	135 25
Totals	1933 76	1133 10	456 22	10 00	24 75	891 83	4449 66

CLASSES AND CHURCHES.	Missionary Fund.		Church Bldg. Fund.		From Y. P. Societies.	For W. B. D. M.	Totals.
	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF DAKOTA							
Castlewood	32 00	10 27	22 49				64 76
Chas. Mix	76 38		10 00			11 10	97 48
Corsica	16 66		7 50			45 00	69 16
Grand View	50 00		8 00				58 00
Harrison	270 78	30 00	37 40			201 17	539 35
Hull, American			17 75				17 75
Lake View	2 00						2 00
Litchville	30 01		7 90	15 00		25 00	77 91
Maurice, American	41 69					3 00	44 69
Sandham	232 27		32 96			66 49	331 72
No. Marion	70 57	20 52	25 28			41 29	157 66
Orange City, American	560 08	119 28	108 80			140 00	928 16
Springfield	210 42	26 48	34 79			130 00	401 69
Tyndall	13 00						13 00
Westfield	248 40	108 05	28 78		25 00	158 52	568 75
Aurora	48 35		2 00			55 00	105 35
Strasburg	25 00						25 00
Totals	1927 61	314 60	343 65	15 00	25 00	876 57	3502 43
CLASSIS OF GERMANIA							
Chancellor	130 90		5 00			16 71	152 61
Baker	11 55						11 55
Clara City, Bethany	170 00		10 00			16 59	196 59
Bethel	7 00						7 00
Cromwell Center	85 00						85 00
Davis	68 00		14 00				82 00
Delaware	57 14					15 85	72 99
Dempster	46 08	11 44	15 00	3 00			75 52
Herman	7 00						7 00
George	40 00						40 00
Second Lennox	100 00		16 10	4 80		30 00	150 80
Logan	49 75	8 00				10 00	67 75
Monroe, Ger.	770 73		10 00				120 73
No. Sibley	22 00						22 00
Salem	185 35		40 00			35 00	260 35
Scotland	191 87		10 00			20 90	222 77
Sibley	50 00	5 75		5 75			61 50
White							
Claremont	10 00						10 00
Totals	1342 47	25 19	120 10	13 55		145 05	1646 26
CLASSIS OF GRAND RIVER							
Ada							
Atwood	22 18					10 00	32 18
Beverly	15 12	21 34	3 51				39 97
Byron Center	25 45	75 00	16 40			34 66	151 51
Byron Road						10 00	10 00
Coopersville	172 00	86 98	32 61		34 20	204 00	529 79
Decatur	26 00		6 00			16 00	48 00
Detroit	150 76	70 00	44 58			43 00	308 34
E. Paris	17 18	9 62					26 80
Falmouth	17 24						17 24

DOMESTIC MISSIONS

CLASSES AND CHURCHES.	Missionary Fund.		Church Bldg. Fund.		From Y. P. Societies.	For W. B. D. M.	Totals.
	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF GRAND RIVER (Continued)							
Fremont	43 15	30 22	24 88			45 07	143 22
First Grand Haven.....	224 58	143 75	47 24		25 00	60 00	500 57
Third Grand Rapids.....	299 82	197 25			15 00	247 07	759 14
Fourth Grand Rapids.....	96 20	117 50	10 00	17 25		143 50	384 45
Fifth Grand Rapids.....	551 25	317 20		90 53		213 00	1171 98
Sixth Grand Rapids.....	100 50	9 00	3 00		7 50	6 00	126 00
Seventh Grand Rapids.....	40 00	178 50				100 00	318 50
Eighth Grand Rapids.....	44 30	140 14	10 61			55 00	250 05
Ninth Grand Rapids.....	20 00	70 00	6 00	25 00		176 00	297 00
Grandville	122 12	139 00	18 02		10 00	31 50	320 64
Grant	24 42						24 42
First Kalamazoo	62 00		18 62			160 05	240 67
Third Kalamazoo	186 18	55 00				85 00	326 18
Fourth Kalamazoo	37 00	10 00	14 00		9 00	46 00	116 00
Moddersville	14 91						14 91
First Muskegon	56 50	90 37		25 00		153 00	324 87
Third Muskegon	11 58		3 00			11 00	25 58
New Era	24 00		8 00			24 25	56 25
Plainfield	6 00	35 81					41 81
Portage	47 48	60 00	10 59			25 00	143 07
Lucas	32 00		6 00			15 00	53 00
South Haven							
Spring Lake	134 20	25 00	26 50			21 00	206 70
Trinity, Grand Rapids.....	73 27	25 00	10 00			8 00	116 27
Twin Lakes	24 00	7 00	15 00			20 00	66 00
Knapp Ave., Grand Rapids.....	51 00		4 00				55 00
Lamont	16 99						16 99
Ellsworth							
So. Barnard	5 00						5 00
Allegan	48 65						48 65
Fruitport Fest	50 00						50 00
Totals	2893 03	1913 68	338 56	157 78	100 70	1963 10	7366 85
CLASSIS OF GREENE							
Athens	37 32		5 00			50 00	87 32
Catskill	284 64	6 25	78 12			272 30	641 31
First Coxsackie	23 50		3 35			51 75	78 60
Second Coxsackie	96 04	10 00	6 42		5 00	59 00	176 46
Kiskatom						33 00	33 00
Leeds	8 85		2 75			28 00	39 60
Totals	445 35	16 25	95 64		5 00	494 05	1056 29
CLASSIS OF HOLLAND							
Beaverdam	80 05		5 00			34 70	119 75
First Cleveland	36 84	60 05					96 89
Calvary	248 02	236 32	74 56	93 95		134 50	787 35
Dunningville	4 22	23 11					27 33
East Overisel	149 27		14 33				163 60
Ebenezer	41 04	83 77	11 00			45 00	180 81
Graafschap	62 13						62 13
Hamilton	247 32	100 00	26 98		15 00	106 00	495 30

CLASSES AND CHURCHES.	Missionary Fund.		Church Bldg. Fund.		From Y. P. Societies.	For W. B. D. M.	Totals.
	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF HOLLAND (Continued)							
Harlem	223 12	15 34					238 46
First Holland	261 68	200 00	6 00	25 00		161 24	653 92
Third Holland	390 00	158 41	38 52	8 73	20 00	309 31	933 97
Fourth Holland	94 68	58 88			6 75	34 00	194 31
Hudsonville							
First Jamestown	185 25	203 15	12 70			255 26	656 36
Second Jamestown	208 42		16 68			76 50	301 60
North Blendon	11 65		8 75		7 50	25 00	52 90
North Holland	134 88	25 00	19 00			69 05	247 93
Overisel	713 24	106 28	68 81		15 60	257 40	1161 33
South Blendon	16 78	77 72	7 50			37 00	139 00
Three Oaks						19 40	19 40
Vriesland	55 92	110 00	9 60			199 00	374 52
First Zeeland	196 17	118 26	30 00			95 00	439 43
Second Zeeland	808 49	250 00	40 00		25 00	195 44	1318 93
Pine Creek							
East Holland							
No. Groningen	3 47						3 47
Colonial Fest.	150 00						150 00
Sixth Holland	20 00						20 00
Beechwood	17 60						17 60
Totals	4369 24	1826 29	389 43	127 68	89 85	2053 80	8856 29
CLASSIS OF HUDSON							
Claverack	22 29	11 50	14 92		15 00	154 49	218 20
Gallatin	16 49	2 95				4 52	23 96
Germantown	59 76	4 50	10 00	2 00	3 00	16 50	95 76
Greenport			1 32			68 00	69 32
Hudson	276 92		26 54		20 00	94 00	417 46
Linthigo	84 83		5 30	2 00	93 21	33 00	218 34
Livingston Memorial	12 61	2 00	3 00		10 00		27 61
Mellenville	48 00	21 02	9 50			15 00	93 52
Philmont	355 09	48 74	67 02			126 50	597 35
West Copake			5 86				5 86
Totals	875 99	90 71	143 46	4 00	141 21	512 01	1767 38
CLASSIS OF ILLINOIS							
Emanuel						30 00	30 00
Bethany	715 65		10 00			174 00	899 65
Fairview	141 44		15 00			52 00	208 44
Manito							
Penn. Lane							
Raritan	10 00					10 00	20 00
Spring Lake	20 00	5 00				5 00	30 00
Whiteside Fest.	132 42						132 42
No. Western	7 00		2 00			15 00	24 00
Trinity	109 83	47 09	18 47			20 00	195 39
Norwood Park						10 00	10 00
Totals	1136 34	52 09	45 47			316 00	1549 90

DOMESTIC MISSIONS

CLASSES AND CHURCHES.	Missionary Fund.		Church Bldg. Fund.		From Y. P. Societies.	For W. B. D. M.	Totals.
	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF IOWA							
Sioux City	98 07	4 10				1 70	103 87
Alton	121 67	153 10	26 10			75 50	376 37
Archer	40 00	25 00				25 00	90 00
Leota	276 52		40 00			80 00	396 52
Bigelow							
Boyden	346 48	135 00	62 29			65 00	608 77
Carmel	95 51	66 50	13 03			50 00	225 04
Chandler	125 00	20 00	40 00		10 00	5 00	200 00
Churchville						32 00	32 00
Clara City	14 39	4 65					19 04
Doon	23 67	25 71				25 00	74 38
Edgerton	107 50	14 14				80 00	201 64
Free Grace	159 00	40 00	20 00			80 00	299 00
Melvin							
Friesland							
Fruitland Mesa							
Holland	528 51	45 22	78 85			663 75	1316 33
Hospers	197 80	175 00		50 00		125 00	547 80
Alvord	19 75		4 50				24 25
Hull	643 00	95 00	47 21		10 00	122 85	918 06
Inwood	58 65	52 24	10 71		2 59	35 00	159 19
Ireton	13 00	10 95	5 00			17 66	46 61
Luctor	62 99	20 00				50 56	133 55
First Maurice	307 97	60 00	53 05		32 00	118 85	571 87
Newkirk	551 89	230 00	50 00			159 25	991 14
First Orange City	547 54		63 85		10 59	381 03	1005 01
Pella	77 16					270 76	347 92
Prairie View	67 92	132 00	6 00			56 00	261 92
Rock Valley	65 48	72 13	21 68			90 00	249 29
Roseland	100 84		30 53			45 00	176 37
Rotterdam	20 97	5 54	7 00			11 58	45 09
Sanborn	31 71	65 16	11 94			10 00	118 81
Sandstone	16 48		8 00				24 48
Sheldon	105 00	20 00	73 93			110 00	308 93
Sibley						5 75	5 75
Silver Creek	136 50						136 50
Rock Rapids			7 65			15 00	22 65
First Sioux Center	1757 52	176 83	200 00		20 00	322 00	2476 35
Second Sioux Center	542 88					340 75	883 63
Spring Creek							
Steen	83 00	40 00	39 86			44 70	207 56
Twin Brooks	30 93						30 93
Godell	6 53						6 53
Valley Springs	45 00	10 50				23 00	78 50
Volga	5 33						5 33
Matlock	12 64		3 25			5 17	21 06
Wichita	10 00					5 00	15 00
Fairview	33 11		5 00				38 11
Herman	45 00						45 00
Lester	23 82						23 82
Ellsworth	20 00						20 00
Britt							
Browndale							
Mission Fest. Hull and Or- ange City	1629 67						1629 67

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	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF IOWA (Continued)							
Mission Fest, Holland and Pella	99 00						99 00
Mission Fest, Leota, Church- ville, Edgerton	60 00						60 00
Totals	9365 40	1698 77	931 43	50 00	85 18	3547 86	15678 64
CLASSIS OF KINGSTON							
Bloomingsdale	31 29					20 68	51 97
High Falls	11 27	15 00	3 75			51 50	81 52
Alligerville		6 82					6 82
Gardiner	16 00					26 50	42 50
Guilford	5 00					16 00	21 00
Hurley	59 00	22 50	5 00		2 00	51 50	132 00
Fair Street	154 34					93 25	247 59
Lyonsville	2 00		2 00				4 00
Libertyville				8 00		22 00	56 00
Marbletown	26 00					18 00	27 40
North Marbletown	7 40		2 00			112 52	133 95
New Paltz	21 43						19 80
Rochester	17 30		2 50			1 18	1 18
Rosendale		2 00				18 13	20 13
St. Remy							
Mt. Marion							
Krumville	3 00		5 00			2 50	10 50
Rosendale Plains	2 63					1 00	3 63
Totals	348 66	46 32	20 25	8 00	2 00	434 76	850 99
CLASSIS OF NORTH LONG ISLAND							
Jamaica	302 60		44 25			332 40	679 25
Newtown	22 45	12 50				56 25	91 20
Oyster Bay	20 00		7 50			20 00	47 50
North Hempstead	37 50		15 00			30 00	82 50
Williamsburg	18 65					62 50	81 15
Astoria	113 09		16 15	1 00		2 00	132 24
Flushing	400 00		100 00			100 00	600 00
Kent Street	3 33					15 75	19 08
South Bushwick						52 25	52 25
Second Astoria	15 00	10 00	10 00	8 00		29 00	72 00
Queens	34 00	53 03	17 76			184 59	289 38
German, Brooklyn	10 00	10 00			5 00	2 75	27 75
Sayville	29 93	5 15				42 30	77 38
Locust Valley							
College Point	143 37	10 00	57 33			29 20	239 90
First Long Island City	15 16	24 86	8 00			190 25	238 27
German, Jamaica							
Hicksville							
German, Newtown			25 00				25 00
Steinway	5 00						5 00
Church of Jesus	35 00		5 00				40 00
New Hyde Park	30 06					22 00	52 06

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	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF NORTH LONG ISLAND (Continued)							
Sunnyside	4 00	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	6 00
Winfield	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	22 00	42 00
Far Rockaway	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00
Totals	1269 14	125 54	307 99	9 00	5 00	1193 24	2909 91
CLASSIS OF SOUTH LONG ISLAND							
First Brooklyn	145 70	100 00	.....	.....	.....	6 65	910 70
First Flatbush	467 00	.....	59 00	.....	.....	1180 02	1706 02
Grace, Flatbush	225 50	12 00	.....	12 00	.....	150 50	400 00
New Utrecht	203 20	133 20	20 00	.....	.....	139 00	495 40
Gravesend	5 61	82 71	15 45	.....	.....	203 50	307 27
Flatlands	41 50	40 00	17 75	.....	.....	227 48	326 73
New Lots .....	.....	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00
Forest Park .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	47 00	47 00
South Brooklyn	100 00	50 00	50 00	.....	.....	235 00	435 00
Twelfth Street	14 20	.....	18 48	.....	.....	10 00	42 68
Bethany	37 31	12 50	.....	12 50	.....	62 50	124 81
Heights	87 66	.....	18 70	.....	.....	384 00	490 36
New Brooklyn	30 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	35 00
Second Flatbush .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Canarsie	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00
St. Thomas	10 93	4 07	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 00
Ocean Hill	9 41	23 39	4 70	.....	.....	5 66	43 16
Edgewood	127 00	.....	10 00	.....	.....	50 00	187 00
Ridgewood	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	30 00
Greenwood Heights	14 25	.....	10 00	.....	.....	34 24	58 49
Bay Ridge	80 65	.....	.....	10 00	.....	2 25	172 90
Woodlawn	35 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	70 37	105 37
Conference	50 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50 00
Flatlands Neck .....	.....	24 32	.....	.....	.....	.....	24 32
Gravesend Neck .....	.....	12 17	.....	.....	.....	.....	12 17
Little Neck .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	25 00
Totals	1719 92	514 36	229 08	34 50	.....	3576 52	6074 38
CLASSIS OF MICHIGAN							
Hamilton, American	32 48	30 00	.....	.....	.....	14 97	79 25
Grand Rapids, Bethnay	264 05	32 00	30 10	25 00	.....	306 00	637 15
Grand Rapids, Bethel	10 00	25 36	10 00	.....	.....	5 00	50 36
Grand Rapids, Grace	170 00	80 00	.....	.....	.....	35 00	285 00
Kalamazoo, Bethany	156 33	46 26	60 00	.....	.....	160 95	423 54
Grand Haven, Second	43 85	14 03	10 00	.....	.....	112 09	179 97
Grand Rapids, First	228 68	15 88	60 26	.....	.....	46 42	351 24
Grand Rapids, Second	465 69	20 00	158 84	.....	.....	432 25	1076 78
Allendale	28 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	28 00
Holland, Hope	428 90	111 77	17 90	.....	.....	186 00	744 57
Grand Rapids, Immanuel	85 00	24 52	.....	.....	.....	55 48	165 00
Kalamazoo, Second	400 00	.....	30 00	.....	.....	147 50	577 50
Muskegon, Second	150 52	.....	25 75	12 53	.....	266 22	455 02
Kalamazoo, North Park	92 69	41 65	99 00	233 34
Grand Rapids, Calvary	6 34	10 00	16 34

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	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY (Continued)							
Syracuse, Second	50 00	15 00	5 00			20 00	90 00
Sammonville	6 00						6 00
Thousand Isles	5 00					16 00	21 00
Utica	82 56		9 55			88 00	180 11
West Leyden						20 00	20 00
East Herkimer	4 25						4 25
Totals	672 27	112 43	139 69		5 00	1206 07	2135 46
CLASSIS OF NEWARK							
Belleville	61 18	17 10	20 40			47 81	146 49
Newark, First	100 00					265 00	365 00
Irrington, Second	11 13						11 13
N. Y. Avenue	11 21	11 37	11 60		2 00	28 00	64 18
Nutley	121 00		50 00			44 36	215 36
North Newark	712 55		202 51			1410 65	2325 71
West Newark	14 00	6 00					20 00
Clinton Avenue	70 68		23 78			545 00	639 46
Trinity, Newark	14 05		1 11			22 00	37 16
Linden	22 03	15 00	15 00				52 03
Christ Church		36 05				15 00	51 05
Brookdale	9 00	8 23				6 00	23 23
Orange, First	24 30		9 10			155 57	188 97
Plainfield, Trinity	180 00		68 00	10 00		226 75	484 75
Irrington, First						68 25	68 25
Montclair	145 75					153 65	299 40
Hyde Park	71 67		13 43			99 75	184 85
Netherwood	14 14		4 12				18 26
Marconnier	5 00						5 00
German, Newark							
Totals	1587 69	93 75	419 05	10 00	2 00	3087 79	5200 28
CLASSIS OF NEW BRUNSWICK							
New Brunswick, First	108 00	75 00	128 00			156 50	467 50
Franklin Park	126 60	6 00	8 99			152 30	293 89
Hillsborough	34 23	14 52	26 06			214 15	288 96
Middlebush	49 59				20 00	70 00	139 59
Griggstown	28 55					71 45	100 00
New Brunswick, Second	450 00		25 00			171 20	646 20
Bound Brook	47 96		5 32			33 00	86 28
East Millstone	4 99		5 38			81 13	91 50
Metuchen	215 25	8 51	33 41			94 92	352 09
Snydam Street	88 58		79 55			160 00	328 13
Highland Park	10 00	8 45				138 00	156 45
Rocky Hill	33 36	10 00				28 00	71 36
Spotswood	25 00		5 00			21 90	51 90
Perth Amboy	20 00		2 00				22 00
Totals	1242 11	122 48	318 71		20 00	1392 55	3095 85

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	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF NEW YORK							
Collegiate	7717 66	88 51	592 55		25 00	8209 20	16632 92
Fort Washington						158 00	158 00
34th Street, N. Y.	25 00		25 00			110 00	160 00
Knox Memorial	366 22	39 00	29 56			43 54	478 32
Vermilye						25 00	25 00
Sunshine						2 00	2 00
Harlem	736 90	25 00	48 13			499 63	1309 66
Elmendorf	138 35	150 00	18 75			81 25	388 35
Port Richmond	67 90	50 00	29 40			161 00	308 30
Fordham						60 00	60 00
68th Street, N. Y.	40 00		10 00			25 00	75 00
Manor	11 64	7 00		7 00		25 00	50 64
Brighton	157 25	55 50	30 00	8 17	7 63	90 96	349 51
Zion	60 00		10 00			5 00	75 00
West Farms	7 66						7 66
Huguenot Park	10 00						10 00
Mott Haven	92 76	21 88	33 32			14 00	161 96
Melrose	8 00		5 00			5 00	18 00
Fourth German	13 00	25 00	10 00		10 00	65 00	123 00
Union H'bridge	84 25	35 00	11 95		10 00	93 65	234 85
Avenue B							
St. Peters	75 00	50 00	25 00				150 00
Grace	109 60		14 25			70 00	193 85
Hamilton Grange	40 23					22 00	62 23
And. Memorial	54 33		10 87			20 53	85 73
Comforter	103 00	30 00	10 00			42 32	185 32
Bethany	12 00	28 15	5 00			19 00	64 15
Mariners Harbor	36 61						36 61
White Tail Apaches	17 97					87 17	105 14
Colony	25 17						25 17
Mescalero	2 50						2 50
Comanche							
McKee						10 57	10 57
Gray Hawk						8 00	8 00
Totals	10013 00	605 04	918 78	15 17	52 63	9952 82	21557 44
CLASSIS OF ORANGE							
Bloomington						38 00	38 00
Calicoon							
Claraville							
Cuddebackville	111 09	50 00	20 00			70 00	251 09
Deer Park	254 97		15 00			134 21	404 18
Ellenville	15 81		11 00			4 25	31 06
Fallsburgh	16 25						16 25
Grahamsville	2 50						2 50
Kerhonkson	17 50						17 50
Wurtsboro							
Minisink	49 85		24 05			19 00	92 90
Montgomery	154 83		41 27			137 99	334 09
Newburgh	16 50	11 00	5 50			40 00	73 00
New Hurley						94 50	94 50
New Prospect	13 00		10 00			5 00	28 00
Second Port Jervis	73 09		4 46			37 00	114 55
Shawangunk							

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	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF ORANGE (Continued)							
Unionville	7 50						7 50
Walden	91 53	15 00	33 28			57 05	196 86
Wallkill	60 28		16 07			101 35	177 70
Lower Walpack		5 49					5 49
Upper Walpack							
Wawarsing	5 00					6 00	11 00
Newburgh, Italian	16 00						16 00
Totals	905 70	81 49	180 63			744 35	1912 17
CLASSIS OF PALISADES							
New Durham	30 00	75 00	50 00			222 23	647 23
First Hoboken	50 50						50 50
North Bergen	40 00	25 00	5 00	5 00		175 00	250 00
German, Hoboken	60 00	60 00					120 00
Coytesville	21 64		2 97			28 00	52 61
Guttenberg	35 00	5 00				20 50	60 50
Central Avenue, Jersey City ..	287 11	11 32	31 18			121 00	350 61
Secaucus	20 00						20 00
First West Hoboken	250 00		10 00			96 00	356 00
West New York						154 50	154 50
Woodcliff	215 40		27 30			15 65	258 35
Hope, West Hoboken	10 00						10 00
Totals	1189 65	176 32	126 45	5 00		838 88	2330 30
CLASSIS OF PARAMUS							
Acquackanonk	737 94	99 97	148 14			666 50	1652 55
Centerville	33 81	21 99	27 42		10 00	38 64	131 86
Clifton, First	150 87		25 15			137 41	313 43
Clifton, Holland	20 27	15 00				45 00	80 27
Garfield	15 00	11 00		5 00		4 00	35 00
Glen Rock		18 37					18 37
Hawthorne	80 00	11 00	10 00			18 00	119 00
Hobokus	29 35		2 00				31 35
Upper Ridgewood	45 03		5 00			23 00	73 03
First Lodi	45 00					44 67	89 67
Second Lodi							
North Paterson	3 00	6 62				6 11	15 73
Paramus	84 40	52 65	33 63			185 51	356 19
Pascack	58 25		5 00		1 86	83 25	148 36
First Holland, Passaic	69 51	150 00	30 00			150 00	399 51
North Passaic	346 23		49 47			122 43	518 13
Broadway, Paterson	138 90		13 16			252 00	404 06
First Holland, Paterson	35 00	20 00	25 00				80 00
Second Paterson		60 00				98 10	158 10
Covenant, Paterson	27 12	8 42	24 38			36 20	96 12
Piermont	25 00					48 00	73 00
Ramapo	31 71					57 70	89 41
Ridgewood	169 50		58 12		10 00	433 19	670 81
Saddle River	15 43	5 00				6 00	26 43
Spring Valley	58 23	50 00				67 60	175 83
Tappan	25 00					81 88	106 88

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	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
'CLASSIS OF PARAMUS (Continued)							
Waldwick	1 50					2 00	3 50
Warwick	317 35	64 61	27 45			125 68	535 09
W. N. Hempstead.....	14 33		2 93			5 00	22 26
First Wortendyke.....	11 88	6 89				3 70	22 47
Trinity, Wortendyke		7 00				25 00	32 00
Lake View	17 80	11 57					29 37
Fourth Passaic							
Clarkstown		21 78				1 00	22 78
Totals	2607 41	641 87	486 85	5 00	21 86	2767 57	6530 56
CLASSIS OF PASSAIC							
Boonton	22 98	7 50				12 45	42 93
Fairfield	3 40						3 40
First Little Falls.....	140 78	35 72	41 55		6 20	66 25	290 50
Second Little Falls.....	39 50		13 50				53 00
Montville							
Mountain Lakes	45 00		10 00			23 75	78 75
People's Park	25 00		5 00			3 50	33 50
Pompton	34 90		7 75		2 33	94 71	139 69
Pompton Plains	159 79	22 71				163 60	346 10
Ponds							
Preakness	8 11					23 70	31 81
Riverside	60 00	19 21	30 00	19 22		15 40	143 83
Sixth Holland	217 27		108 67				325 94
Totowa						10 00	10 00
Union	38 00	112 00	10 00				160 00
Wanaque	15 00		5 00			27 00	47 00
Wyckoff	22 00	30 00					52 00
Totals	831 73	227 14	231 47	19 22	8 53	440 36	1758 45
CLASSIS OF PELLA							
Bethany	184 81	17 92	10 74			22 03	235 50
Bethel	52 93	34 94	5 12			77 50	170 49
Leighton	251 73	22 32	16 48			115 24	405 77
Eddyville	20 00		7 40			28 75	56 15
Galesburg			3 43			30 00	33 43
Killduff	18 58	20 00	8 63				47 21
Muscatine	15 91						15 91
New Sharon	50 55		10 00			38 85	99 40
Albia	6 45						6 45
Pleasant Grove						30 00	30 00
Prairie City	22 11	30 35	5 17			39 00	96 63
Otley	270 26	17 20	49 50			115 00	451 96
First Pella	638 53					207 00	845 53
Second Pella	600 00		10 00		18 00	189 00	817 00
Third Pella	453 87	100 00	25 00	25 00		200 00	803 87
Sully	20 07						20 07
Mission Fest.....	497 91						497 91
East Prairie						55 50	55 50
Totals	3103 71	242 73	151 47	25 00	18 00	1147 87	4688 78

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	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF PHILADELPHIA							
North and South Hampton...	87 72	30 15	5 37			10 00	133 24
Harlingen	103 08		15 60			133 45	252 13
Neshanic	84 99	5 00	13 56			126 99	230 54
First Philadelphia	31 05		21 30			71 00	123 35
Second Philadelphia							
Fourth Philadelphia	74 10	56 48				60 00	190 58
Blawenburgh	31 80	7 56	10 60			16 50	66 46
Stanton	12 00	2 00				21 00	35 00
Clover Hill	5 65					15 78	21 43
Fifth Philadelphia	15 00		15 00				30 00
Addisville	46 80	27 70	15 60		3 50	25 00	118 60
Three Bridges	10 00		2 00		5 00	44 45	61 45
Tal. Memorial	58 05		20 00			5 50	83 55
Totals	560 24	128 89	119 03		8 50	529 67	1346 33
CLASSIS OF PLEASANT PRAIRIE							
Alexander	90 66		10 00			11 77	112 43
Aplington	408 50	15 00	62 50			47 25	533 25
Baileyville	118 00		15 00			11 19	144 19
Bristow	86 42	5 97					92 39
Buffalo Center	159 50		20 00			4 50	184 00
Dumont	30 00		12 98				42 98
Oregon	120 00	10 00	10 00				140 00
Elim	42 00	5 00	5 00		5 00	5 00	62 00
Fairview	56 66	37 65	15 00				109 01
Forreston	275 00		60 00			5 00	425 00
Immanuel	200 00		15 00				215 00
First Lennox							
Meservey	245 02	30 00	50 00				325 02
Jeffers							
Monroe, Ia.	78 30						78 30
Parkersburg	344 00		22 00				366 00
Peoria	24 18		11 00	11 03	5 00	14 22	65 43
Ramsay	60 00		10 00				70 00
Silver Creek	364 56	46 15	40 00			75 00	525 71
Stout	275 13	8 15	34 00			50 00	367 28
Washington	90 00		18 00				108 00
Wellsburgh	200 00		30 00			75 00	305 00
Worthing							
Zion	119 46		30 00				149 46
Second Parkersburg	60 50						60 50
Rockford	7 60						7 60
Wichita	5 00						5 00
Britt	17 75		10 00				27 75
Totals	3477 94	157 92	480 48	11 03	10 00	383 93	4521 30
CLASSIS OF POUGHKEEPSIE							
Poughkeepsie	288 22		74 09			647 07	1009 38
Fishkill	34 34		12 13			42 50	88 97
Hopewell	94 65					25 00	119 65
North Hackensack	44 85					32 14	76 99
Rhinebeck	25 50	40 00				60 00	125 50

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	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF POUGH-KEEPSIE (Continued)							
Beacon	123 85	19 70	38 40	.....	27 00	110 00	318 95
Hyde Park	12 11	5 82	.....	.....	.....	.....	17 93
Glenham .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Millbrook	48 00	.....	3 96	.....	.....	105 80	157 76
Arlington .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	36 00	36 00
Upper Red Hook	51 60	.....	5 26	.....	.....	51 34	108 20
Emanuel, Poughkeepsie .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals	723 12	65 52	133 84	.....	27 00	1109 85	2059 33
CLASSIS OF RARITAN							
First Raritan	152 92	36 82	14 39	.....	.....	138 65	342 78
Readington	15 07	31 51	6 60	.....	5 00	56 42	114 60
Bedminster	60 09	26 37	.....	20 03	.....	131 83	247 32
Lebanon	86 20	28 66	25 27	.....	.....	85 67	225 80
Rockaway	15 20	19 37	.....	.....	.....	28 25	62 82
North Branch	50 85	5 00	3 16	.....	.....	166 45	225 46
Second Raritan	325 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	421 90	746 90
Peapack .....	.....	9 00	.....	3 00	13 35	32 00	57 35
South Branch	60 00	19 65	6 00	8 29	.....	62 80	156 74
Third Raritan	57 75	44 39	15 40	.....	.....	98 00	215 54
Pottersville	10 18	2 20	.....	.....	.....	23 00	35 38
High Bridge	17 59	25 41	8 07	.....	.....	40 00	91 07
Annandale	7 97	7 74	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 71
Fourth Raritan .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9 50	9 50
New Center .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	46 76	46 76
Totals	867 82	256 12	78 89	31 32	18 35	1341 23	2593 73
CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER							
Bloomingsgrove	12 00	16 40	8 00	.....	6 15	24 40	66 95
Castleton	115 03	.....	5 00	.....	.....	60 00	180 03
Chatham	27 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	74 90	101 90
First Ghent	4 75	5 00	1 75	.....	.....	26 45	37 95
Second Ghent	31 70	.....	2 46	.....	.....	46 62	80 78
Greenbush	30 00	15 00	5 00	.....	6 15	67 50	123 65
Kinderhook	153 90	.....	12 00	.....	.....	175 00	340 90
Nassau	44 70	4 20	11 83	2 00	.....	62 00	124 73
New Concord	2 80	.....	1 46	.....	.....	.....	4 26
First Rensselaer	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00	30 00
Schodack .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19 25	19 25
Schodack Landing .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18 45	18 45
Stuyvesant	10 88	.....	2 36	.....	.....	2 25	15 49
Totals	442 76	40 60	49 86	2 00	12 30	596 82	1144 34
CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER							
Abbe	60 00	80 00	50 00	.....	.....	70 00	260 00
Arcadia	8 22	15 33	.....	.....	.....	29 25	52 80
Brighton	54 07	69 21	26 97	6 00	35 00	191 25
Buffalo	10 00	23 50	33 50
Clymerhill	47 80	24 40	12 00	16 55	100 75

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CLASSES AND CHURCHES.	Missionary Fund.		Church Bldg. Fund.		From Y. P. Societies.	For W. B. D. M.	Totals.
	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER (Continued)							
Cutting		17 19					17 19
East Williamson	65 75		27 28			101 00	194 03
First Marion	8 83	18 83				15 00	42 66
Second Marion	69 13	36 39	19 37			72 88	197 77
Ontario	31 00	32 00	3 50			43 00	109 50
Palmyra	85 00		15 00			33 29	133 29
Pultneyville		75 00			5 00	43 00	125 00
First Rochester	65 00		20 00		10 00	10 00	105 00
Second Rochester			40 00			51 20	91 20
Sodus	30 21		11 07			7 00	48 28
Tyre		51 00					51 00
Williamson	44 20	23 15			10 00	10 00	87 35
Mission Fest	131 82						131 82
Totals	711 03	442 50	225 19		31 00	562 67	1972 39
CLASSIS OF SARATOGA							
Boght	22 00	6 60	2 00				30 60
Buskirks	18 50			10 12		24 75	53 37
Cohoes	94 00	36 54	18 80			58 00	207 34
Easton							
Fort Miller	15 00		5 00				20 00
Gansevoort	75 00					17 70	92 70
Greenwich	112 30		37 43			43 00	192 73
Northumberland						26 67	26 67
Saratoga	16 15		5 40			41 00	62 55
West Troy No.	47 35		11 03			93 00	151 38
Wynantskill						25 00	25 00
Schaghticoke						9 00	9 00
Totals	400 30	43 14	79 66	10 12		338 12	871 34
CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY							
Altamont	39 94					63 35	103 29
Amity	9 02					8 50	17 52
Glenville	8 00		3 00			28 60	39 60
Helderberg	12 58	6 00	6 62			59 00	84 20
Lishas Kill	8 29					51 00	59 29
Niskayuna	86 00	18 00			7 50	95 55	207 05
Princetown	9 00					38 14	47 14
First Rotterdam	25 00					93 59	118 59
Second Schenectady	44 34					106 00	150 34
Mt. Pleasant	77 00		9 00			102 25	188 25
Bellevue	70 00	31 40	45 00			195 19	341 59
Scotia	100 00		10 00			77 18	187 18
Woodlawn	10 23					31 38	41 61
First Schenectady	65 17		14 32			120 30	199 79
Second Rotterdam						27 91	27 91
Totals	564 57	55 40	87 94		7 50	1097 94	1813 35

CLASSES AND CHURCHES.	Missionary Fund.		Church Bldg. Fund.		From Y. P. Societies.	For W. B. D. M.	Totals.
	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE							
Beaverdam						57 00	57 00
Berne	30 00						30 00
Central Bridge							
Cobleskill	40 22		11 69			39 43	91 34
Gilboa							
Grand Gorge	21 28						21 28
First Howes Cave.....	10 00					4 50	14 50
Second Howes Cave.....		20 00	5 00			17 00	42 00
Lawyersville	36 21					44 00	80 21
Middleburg	18 29		5 00		7 31	28 28	58 88
North Blenheim						5 00	5 00
Prattsville						58 00	58 00
Schoharie	37 21		5 00				42 21
Sharon Center	18 83					26 90	45 73
South Gilboa	8 50						8 50
Totals	220 54	20 00	26 69		7 31	280 11	554 65
CLASSIS OF ULSTER							
Blue Mountain						25 00	25 00
Comforter	37 24		17 00		7 35	21 00	82 59
Esopus						6 60	6 60
Flatbush						18 34	18 34
Highwoods							
Roxbury	6 37					12 49	18 86
Kaatsbaan							
First Kingston	217 69	50 00	15 00			298 97	581 66
Port Ewen	16 46		5 44			27 50	49 40
Plattekill	9 19					8 00	17 19
Saugerties	80 00	20 00	10 00			60 95	170 95
Shandakan							
Shokan	18 00		3 00				21 00
West Hurley	1 07						1 07
Woodstock	5 70					14 00	19 70
Totals	391 72	70 00	50 44		7 35	492 85	1012 36
CLASSIS OF WESTCHESTER							
Bronxville	200 00		25 00			388 52	613 52
Cortlandtown	30 00		3 00		12 00	93 12	138 12
Crescent Place, Yonkers	40 00					5 00	45 00
Greenburgh	112 00					23 00	135 00
Greenville	15 84		2 95			37 00	55 79
Hastings	10 00	10 00					20 00
Mount Vernon	108 64		38 21			127 60	274 45
Mile Square	50 00					19 00	69 00
Park Hill	281 25	18 64	45 00			175 20	520 09
Peekskill	7 50		12 50			8 60	28 60
Scarsdale							
First Tarrytown	228 70		29 70			83 20	341 60
Second Tarrytown	24 10		8 03			64 50	96 63
Unionville	8 05		2 44			17 00	27 49
First Yonkers	68 57					75 00	143 57
Nyack	178 32		35 36			220 00	433 68
Totals	1362 97	28 64	202 19		12 00	1336 74	2942 54

DOMESTIC MISSIONS

CLASSES AND CHURCHES.	Missionary Fund.		Church Bldg. Fund.		From Y. P. Societies.	For W. B. D. M.	Totals.
	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF WISCONSIN							
Alto	397 28	145 49	86 70			229 66	1059 13
Baldwin	129 60					96 00	225 60
Cedar Grove	452 70				5 00	62 23	519 93
Dalton							
Forestville	11 70		1 60			5 00	18 30
Franklin							
Friesland	1 40		24 00			10 00	174 00
Gibbsville	115 91	72 00	21 96		10 00	99 30	319 17
Greenleafston	254 87	62 49	32 95			60 00	410 31
Hingham	50 89		22 50		10 00	109 55	192 94
Milwaukee	76 30	40 00	13 82			105 00	235 12
Oostburg	51 24	17 80	10 00			70 00	149 04
Sheboygan	36 56	20 20		8 25	15 60	12 00	92 61
Sheboygan Falls						25 75	25 75
Second Englewood	6 30	110 00	24 70			91 48	232 48
Vesper	20 94						20 94
Waupun	88 31	181 29	25 89	50 00		205 00	550 49
Chicago Miss. Conference.....	105 00						105 00
Alto, Waupun, Friesland, Ran- dolph Fest.....	241 51						241 51
Sheboygan Co. Fest.....	85 00						85 00
Totals	2464 11	649 27	264 12	58 25	40 60	1180 97	4657 32

INDIVIDUAL AND UNCLASSIFIED CONTRIBUTIONS FOR
DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

Rev. J. L. Stilwell.....	\$10.00	Rev. John G. Swart.....	5.00
Students, Theo. Sem., New Brunswick	51.50	Wm. T. Schermer, Sr.....	100.00
Mrs. Wm. Walvoord, Holland, Mich., In Memory of Rev. Wm. Walvoord	150.00	Mr. L. Van Sloten.....	100.00
Rev. Steward Day.....	60.00	"A Member from Preakness" ..	3.00
Rev. H. V. S. Myers.....	25.00	Mr. C. Sprik.....	50.00
"D. S. M.".....	25.00	Rev. G. W. Labaw.....	5.00
Mr. & Mrs. Israel Matson.....	10.00	Rev. H. P. Craig.....	10.00
"In Memory of W.".....	200.00	Miss Margaret Reed.....	5.00
Mrs. Ruiter	15.00	Rev. E. G. Read, D.D.....	10.00
Rev. G. Dangremond.....	5.00	"A Friend of Missions".....	1,000.00
Mr. J. W. Weenink.....	10.00	"A Friend"	30.00
Mr. R. Iben.....	5.00	Miss M. Louise Monroe.....	5.00
Mr. A. Smulzey.....	43.00	Mr. & Mrs. E. Van de Braak...	18.50
Mr. J. Townsend Lansing....	100.00	Miss M. L. Varick.....	5.00
Rev. P. G. M. Bahler.....	2.50	Mr. Geo. Smeyers, in memory of his father.....	150.00
Mr. & Mrs. G. Vandenberg....	50.00	"A Member," Alton, Ia.....	15.00
Rev. W. MacNair.....	9.12	Students, Western Seminary...	58.50
Mr. & Mrs. R. Vander Molen...	8.00	Rev. H. DuB. Mulford.....	25.00
Mr. & Mrs. D. Baker.....	25.00	Rev. & Mrs. G. W. Gulick.....	5.00
"Lord's Fund"	10.00	"Friend"	28.00
Mrs. Wm. Walvoord.....	15.00	Mr. H. J. Lubbers.....	35.00
Mr. D. Rapelye.....	10.00	Mrs. Maria B. Labagh.....	6.00
		"Friend from Cleveland, Ohio"	25.00
			<u>\$2,533.12</u>

INDIVIDUAL AND UNCLASSIFIED
CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE
CHURCH BUILDING FUND.

Mr. J. T. Lansing.....	\$100.00
"In Memory of W.".....	100.00
"Two Friends".....	50.00
Rev. & Mrs. G. W. Gulick.....	5.00
Mrs. P. M. Doolittle.....	20.00
Total.....	<u>\$275.00</u>

DOMESTIC MISSIONS

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF
THE ONE DAY'S INCOME FUND
FOR DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN MISSIONS (1917-18).

ALBANY.

1st Albany	\$ 60.90
Mad. Ave. Albany.....	262.35
4th Albany.....	40.00
5th Albany.....	24.50
Coeymans	52.00
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	\$439.75

BERGEN.

1st Hackensack	\$144.36
2nd Hackensack	306.76
Closter	5.00
No. Hackensack	61.11
Westwood	74.50
Oradell	244.75
Hasbrouck Hts.	69.00
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	\$905.48

SO. BERGEN.

Bergen	\$310.22
1st Bayonne	23.59
1st Jersey City.....	69.00
5th St., Bayonne.....	219.36
3rd Bayonne	5.00
1st German, Jersey City.....	8.00
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	\$635.17

CASCADES.

Lynden	\$113.00
Manhattan	42.15
Conrad	85.00
No. Yakima	110.57
Oak Harbor	66.30
Big Timber	17.25
San Francisco	60.00
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	\$494.27

DAKOTA.

Corsica	\$125.50
Harrison	137.25
Litchville	11.00
Sandham Mem'l	92.05
No. Marion	45.00
Westfield	265.00
Aurora	50.00
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	\$725.80

GERMANIA.

Cromwell Center	\$ 84.78
Delaware	37.45
Herman	12.00
George	24.50
2nd Lennox	40.00
No. Sibley	32.80
Salem	117.00
Scotland	136.00
Sibley	23.77
Claremont	22.50
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	\$530.80

GRAND RIVER.

Beverly	\$ 29.19
Byron Center	96.00
Fremont	60.10
1st Grand Haven.....	303.00
3rd Grand Rapids.....	218.11
4th Grand Rapids.....	136.00
5th Grand Rapids.....	303.85
6th Grand Rapids.....	51.08
7th Grand Rapids.....	85.21
8th Grand Rapids.....	27.30
Grandville	72.21
Grant	135.00
1st Kalamazoo	250.33
Moddersville	2.75
3rd Muskegon	116.42
Lucas	20.00
Spring Lake	130.00
Twin Lakes	40.00
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	\$2,076.55

GREENE.

Athens	\$ 12.00
Catskill	10.50
West Cossackie	43.00
Leeds	16.60
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	\$82.10

HOLLAND.

1st Cleveland	\$ 18.50
Calvary, Holland	164.67
Ebenezer, Holland	190.00
Hamilton	26.60
Harlem	5.25
1st Holland	504.00
3rd Holland	536.09

HOLLAND (Continued).

4th Holland	199.19
1st Jamestown	136.73
No. Blendon	49.40
No. Holland	135.75
Overisel	248.06
So. Blendon	75.61
Three Oaks	42.75
Vriesland	108.00
1st Zeeland	115.70
2nd Zeeland	316.82
6th Holland	11.25
Ottawa	25.93
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	\$2,910.20

HUDSON.

Claverack	\$ 59.30
Germantown	4.05
Hudson (S. S.)	179.38
Linlithgo	10.40
Livingston Mem'l	2.00
Mellenville	52.83
Philmont	124.00
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	\$431.96

ILLINOIS.

Bethany	\$219.25
Summit	93.00
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	\$312.25

IOWA.

Alton	\$533.02
Archer	50.00
Leota	98.50
Bigelow	22.09
Carmel	325.00
Chandler	225.00
Doon	65.50
Edgerton	200.00
Free Grace	42.00
Melvin	57.45
Fruitland Mesa	20.25
Holland	616.36
Hospers	421.75
Hull	721.50
Inwood	77.10
Luctor	41.00
1st Maurice	203.18
Newkirk	74.40
1st Orange City	1,341.00
Pella	210.00
Prairie View	5.00
Rock Valley	183.32
Sanborn	150.50

IOWA (Continued).

Sheldon	480.03
2nd Sioux Center	240.00
Steen	120.00
Valley Springs	37.00
Ellsworth	19.66
Britt	25.15
Browndale	16.85
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	\$6,422.61

KINGSTON.

High Falls	\$ 4.00
Hurley	62.75
Fair St.	57.50
Marbletown	6.00
North Marbletown	15.50
Rosendale	2.50
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	\$148.25

NO. L. ISLAND.

So. Bushwick	\$ 40.70
German, Brooklyn	1.00
College Point	99.91
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	\$141.61

SO. L. ISLAND.

New Utrecht	\$ 59.30
Flatlands	17.00
Forest Park	5.00
Bethany, Bklyn.	18.00
St. Thomas, V. I.	40.00
Woodlawn	7.25
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	\$146.55

MICHIGAN.

American, Hamilton	\$ 24.00
Bethany, Gd. Rapids	12.00
Bethel, Gd. Rapids	61.63
1st Grand Rapids	235.80
2nd Grand Rapids	744.43
Immanuel, Grand Rapids	261.74
2nd Kalamazoo	40.75
2nd Muskegon	202.75
No. Park, Kalamazoo	111.25
Holland, Trinity	404.35
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	\$2,098.70

MONMOUTH.

Holmdel	\$ 56.69
Long Branch	50.00
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	\$106.69

DOMESTIC MISSIONS

MONTGOMERY.

1st Amsterdam	\$ 11.75
Auriesville	9.57
Ephratah	30.00
Fultonville	22.45
Hagaman	62.50
Interlaken	38.65
Johnstown	27.30
Lodi	12.00
Stone Arabia	48.91
1st Syracuse	434.08
Sammons ville	10.00
Thousand Isles	8.00
Utica	85.00
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	\$800.21

NEWARK.

1st Newark	\$174.07
Nutley	112.11
Clinton Ave.	7.50
Linden	6.52
Trinity. Plainfield	157.00
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	\$457.20

NEW BRUNSWICK.

1st New Brunswick	\$109.72
Hillsborough	13.75
Middlebush	29.69
Griggstown	42.35
2nd New Brunswick	89.70
Bound Brook	5.00
Suydam St.	15.00
Rocky Hill	3.00
Spotswood	78.00
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	\$386.21

NEW YORK.

West End	\$144.44
34th St.	25.00
Harlem	51.61
Mott Haven	47.00
Bethany	25.00
Colony	7.00
McKee	1.25
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	\$301.30

ORANGE.

Ellenville	\$ 2.00
Newburgh	36.00
N. Prospect	90.50
2nd Port Jervis	28.10
Shawangunk	31.42
Walden	3.00
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	\$191.02

PALISADES.

New Durham	\$490.60
No. Bergen	172.00
German, Hoboken	153.75
Central Ave., Jersey City...	165.35
1st W. Hoboken	305.01
West New York	29.50
Woodcliff	101.98
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	\$1,418.19

PARAMUS.

Acquackanonk	\$ 50.00
Centerville	29.00
1st Clifton	122.31
Garfield	13.00
Upper Ridgewood	19.50
1st Lodi	24.50
Paramus	101.07
North, Passaic	147.18
Broadway, Paterson	72.10
1st Holland, Paterson	190.75
Covenant, Paterson	145.42
Ridgewood	10.00
Warwick	377.87
Clarkstown	5.00
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	\$1,307.70

PASSAIC.

Boonton	\$ 20.60
Fairfield	53.00
1st Little Falls	47.50
Mountain Lakes	46.00
Pompton	72.35
Pompton Ladies' Aid.....	15.00
Pompton Plains	38.00
Ponds	2.00
Preakness	2.00
Riverside	21.00
Wanaque	34.00
Wyckoff	21.00
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	\$372.45

PELLA.

Eddyville	\$ 35.02
Galesburg	22.00
Killduff	37.47
New Sharon	73.50
Oskaloosa	55.00
Otley	140.22
1st Pella	220.54
2nd Pella	211.52
3rd Pella	171.58
Sully	19.00
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	\$985.85

PHILADELPHIA.

Harlingen	\$ 58.25
Neshanic	35.50
Clover Hill	5.00
Addisville	27.00
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	\$125.75

PLEASANT PRAIRIE.

Alexander (S. S.)	\$ 27.49
Aplington	224.55
Baileyville	59.00
Buffalo Center	243.00
Dumont	16.00
Immanuel	38.35
Peoria	55.25
Washington	142.50
Wellsburgh	50.00
Worthing	59.80
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	\$915.94

POUGHKEEPSIE.

Poughkeepsie	\$264.60
Fishkill	8.00
Beacon	22.00
Millbrook	147.65
Arlington	5.00
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	\$447.25

RARITAN.

1st Raritan	\$ 11.00
Bedminster	73.65
Lebanon	5.25
Rockaway	1.50
North Branch	20.00
Pottersville	3.00
4th Raritan	36.00
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	\$150.40

RENSSELAER.

Bloominggrove	\$ 8.00
Castleton	5.50
1st Ghent	4.00
Kinderhook	74.79
Nassau	15.00
Schodack	20.35
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	\$127.64

ROCHESTER.

Abbe	\$183.88
Brighton	51.00
Clymerhil	52.00
E. Williamson	95.89
1st Marion	2.75

ROCHESTER (Continued).

2nd Marion	63.07
Ontario	35.30
Palmyra	12.68
Pultneyville	83.25
2nd Rochester	87.06
Williamson	50.25

SARATOGA.

Boght	\$ 12.50
Cohoes	124.00
Fort Miller	6.00
Gansevoort	8.40
Greenwich	64.05
Northumberland	2.50
Saratoga	2.00
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	\$219.45

SCHENECTADY.

Helderberg	\$ 2.00
Niskayuna	18.00
Princetown	2.00
Mt. Pleasant	75.00
Bellevue	106.50
Scotia	26.75
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	\$230.25

SCHOHARIE.

Cobleskill	\$ 18.50
1st Howes Cave	41.00
2nd Howes Cave	27.10
Lawyersville	78.00
Schoharie	50.50
Sharon Center	46.00
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	\$261.10

ULSTER.

Esopus	\$ 19.40
Kaatsbaan	2.00
1st Kingston	61.60
Port Ewen	6.00
Saugerties	2.00
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	\$91.00

WESTCHESTER.

Cortlandtown	\$ 12.26
Mile Square	29.33
Park Hill	20.00
1st Tarrytown	162.81
Nyack	18.00
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	\$242.40

DOMESTIC MISSIONS

WISCONSIN.

Alto	\$307.57
Baldwin	104.50
Danforth	56.86
Forestville	23.38
Gibbsville	397.25
Greenleafston	121.02
Hingham	263.60
Indianapolis	19.50
Milwaukee	10.00
Morrison	153.03
Oostburg	175.75
Roseland	1.00
Mt. Greenwood	114.25

WISCONSIN (Continued).

So. Holland	664.10
Ustick	30.29
Waupun	170.00
2nd Fulton	149.21
West Side	152.55
Gano	62.00
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	\$2,975.86
Total from Churches.....	31,332.84
Individual Gifts	2,735.34
Interest on bank balances...	7.78
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Grand Total	\$34,075.96

E. C. HULST,
Treasurer.

BOARD OF DOMESTIC MISSIONS

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Mr. George S. Hobart,	Mr. Charles W. Osborne,
Mr. George Tiffany	

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“ F. Lubbers,	“ George Warren Dunn,
“ Edgar Tilton, Jr., D. D.	“ John N. Trompen,
Mr. Emker Jelleme.	

Members whose terms expire June, 1921

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“ P. T. Pockman, D. D.	“ John Lamar,
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Mr. Samuel E. Burtis,	Mr. E. C. Hulst,

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Mr. George Warren Dunn, *chairman*

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Mr. William T. Demarest, <i>Office Secretary.</i>
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Mr. Charles W. Osborne, <i>Treasurer.</i>

The Eighty-sixth Annual Report
of the
Board of Education
of the Reformed Church in America
to the
GENERAL SYNOD
at
ASBURY PARK, N. J., JUNE 6, 1918

The Board of Education herewith presents its Eighty-sixth Annual Report, for the year ending April 30, 1918.

THE BOARD.

During the year there have been no changes either in the membership or officers of the Board, and the attendance at the meetings has been unusually large. Its work has been directed by the Corresponding Secretary, with the cooperation of the President, the Rev. Dr. Thompson, and the Treasurer, Mr. Berry, while the secretary's son, Mr. John G. Gebhard, Jr., assisted in the clerical work during the extensive repairs and improvements made in the Reformed Church Building in the summer of 1917. The Board of Education shares with the other Boards of the Church in the increased convenience and attractiveness effected by these changes.

STUDENTS.

Last year we reported an enrollment of 189. Nineteen new applicants have been received, 15 of our students have been graduated from the seminaries, 21 have been granted

leave of absence, (19 of these entering upon War service), and 4 have been taken from the roll. Three of these married, and, according to the Synod's rule, received no further assistance from scholarship funds, but have continued their studies in the theological seminaries. One was obliged to discontinue on account of the pressure of home duties.

There have been several cases of temporary illness among the students, in some instances necessitating minor surgical operations, but there have been no deaths during the year.

It will be noticed that we have but 63 students for the ministry now enrolled, and 19 on War leave. It is somewhat early to be able to classify them according to the different divisions of the service in which they are engaged, but we are assured that they are all giving a good account of themselves.

The total number and distribution of students receiving aid from the Board May 1, 1918, were as follows:

STUDENTS FOR THE MINISTRY.

In Seminaries:

New Brunswick, N. J.....	17
Holland, Mich.	16
Brooklyn, N. Y., Italian.....	1
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In Colleges:

Rutgers College	10
Hope College	13
Central College	4
Mission House College	1
Rutgers Prep. School	1
	—29
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	63

MEDICAL MISSIONARY STUDENTS.

In Hope College	3
Michigan University	1
Cincinnati Medical College	1
	— 5
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	68

The following is the distribution according to classes:

SEMINARIES.

Students for the Ministry:

Seniors	13
Middlers	10
Juniors	11
	—34

COLLEGES.

Students for the Ministry:

Seniors	8
Juniors	6
Sophomores	8
Freshmen	4
Specials	3
	—29
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	63

MEDICAL MISSIONARY STUDENTS.

Class of 1920	1
1921	1
1923	1
1924	2
	— 5
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	68

RULES FOR MEDICAL MISSIONARY STUDENTS.

Your Board of Education begs leave to submit to the General Synod for its approval, a copy of "Rules for Medical Missionary Students." These rules were drafted by a Joint Committee of the Board of Foreign Missions and of the Board of Education, and were adopted by the latter Board after having been approved by the Board of Foreign Missions.

MEDICAL MISSIONARY STUDENTS.

RULES.

1. An applicant for aid from the funds of the Board of Education must have been a member of an evangelical church for one year, and must be a member of the Reformed Church at the time of making application.

2. Aid shall not be granted until he shall have been admitted to the junior year in his academic course and shall not be continued in any case for a period longer than six years.

3. He shall take his professional training in a medical institution ranked as "Class A" by the American Medical Association.

4. It will not be the policy of the Board of Education to grant aid to more than three medical missionary students who would regularly graduate from their professional course in the same calendar year.

5. The applicant must be recommended by the consistory of the church of which he is a member to the classis, which shall examine him on his motives in wishing to engage in medical missionary service; on his general habits; on his studies; his talents; his capacity for leadership; his health; his freedom from debt; and the necessity of his receiving aid. The classis, if satisfied with his examination, shall receive him under its care, enter his name on its books as a student candidate, forward his consistorial and classical

recommendations to the Board of Education, and require a yearly report from him in person or by letter.

6. Blank forms for consistorial and classical recommendations may be procured from the Board of Education.

7. The power of examination shall be vested in the Board of Education also; and they shall be empowered to make such examination, whenever, in their judgment, they may deem it necessary or desirable.

8. The consistorial and classical recommendations, when in proper form, are to be referred to the Board of Foreign Missions. On receiving a report from this Board, the Board of Education will take final action on the recommendations.

9. If received under the care of the Board of Education, the applicant shall be required to sign the usual medical missionary students' bond.

10. It is understood that the Board of Foreign Missions assumes no obligation to appoint such students at the completion of their medical studies, except in the same manner and under the same rules as pertain to other applicants.

11. The student shall regard himself as amenable to the Board of Education during his entire course of study, and as under the pastoral care of its corresponding secretary, who shall endeavor to cultivate friendly intercourse with the students, and who shall, if he deem it advisable, occasionally address them, individually or together.

12. The student shall take his academical course either in Rutgers, Hope or Central College, unless, on reason being given, satisfactory to the Board of Education, he be permitted to take his pre-medical course in some other college or university; but he must pursue his medical studies in an institution approved by the Board of Foreign Missions.

13. He is expected to apply the appropriation received, first toward the payment of his board; and he must under no circumstances consider the Board responsible for his debts.

14. He shall consult with the Board of Education when for any reason he deems it necessary to intermit study for

a time, or to go to another institution, or shall find any change as to his call of God to medical missionary service. If his absence from study extends beyond three months, his appropriation will be discontinued; and if he does not report himself to the Board for a year, his name shall be taken from the roll of students.

15. If at any time there shall have been discovered in any student such defect in capacity, diligence, prudence or piety, as would render his introduction into the medical missionary service a doubtful measure, it shall be considered the duty of the Board to withdraw his appropriation. Students also shall cease to receive assistance from the Board when their health shall have become such as to unfit them for study; when they are manifestly improvident and contract debts without reasonable prospects of payment; when they marry; and when they receive assistance from any other educational board or society.

16. The student shall, if at any stage of study circumstances arise enabling him to dispense with the aid of the Church, so notify the Board of Education and ask that his relation to it may cease.

17. He must agree to abide by the rules and requirements of the General Synod and the Boards.

18. All the institutions attended by the young men under the care of the Board of Education shall be furnished with forms of a report, and shall be requested to fill up and forward the same to the secretary of the Board at the close of each current term of study.

Suggestions.—Each student should consider himself under special responsibility as a son of the Church, aided by it in defraying the expense of his education for medical missionary service. The impression made on the Church by his conduct greatly aids or hinders the success of the Board in prosecuting its work. He should exhibit diligence in study; a consistent life; a fervent piety; ardent zeal in the practical work of Christianity; and devoted consecration to Jesus and His Church. He will thus most effectually com-

mend the educational work and cause to the friends of the Church.

He should consider the Board as a friend and counsellor in all circumstances, and the Board assures him of its interest and sympathy and good offices.

June, 1918.

CENTRAL COLLEGE.

This institution will report in full directly to the Synod. The present status of the Board of Education to the college may be seen from resolutions which were passed after a conference with President Hoffman at a meeting of the Board called for the special purpose of procuring at first hand all possible information about the present condition of the institution and the plans of its trustees for its future development. The resolutions were passed Feb. 5, 1918, and are as follows:

"Resolved, That the Board of Education offer the following resolutions to the General Synod, R. C. A.:

1. That the Board looks with continued favor upon the proposition relative to the acceptance of Central College by the Reformed Church.

2. That we realize that in spite of the loss of a very valuable building by fire, and the unusual burdens imposed by the war, the institution has made very commendable progress.

3. That we renew our expression of confidence in the new administration, and commend the interests of Central College to all the churches; especially to that section which the college will primarily serve.

4. That we urge those appointed to secure funds, to leave no stone unturned in their efforts to raise the required Two Hundred Thousand Dollars of Endowment.

5. That the present arrangement for the management of the college be continued until further notice."

(This arrangement leaves the management of Central College to the Committee of the Board of Education, R. C.

A., in connection with the Board of Trustees of the College.—Min. Gen. Synod, 1917, page 114).

THE GENERAL SURVEY AND THE COUNCIL OF CHURCH BOARDS
OF EDUCATION.

In compliance with the recommendations of Synod, the Committee on Survey has been making investigations and gathering data with a view to ascertaining the resources and developing the educational policy of the church. Such a survey, as carried on by other denominations has discovered points of strength and weakness and enabled the educational authorities to secure greater effectiveness and co-operation in Christian education. It has also enabled the denominations to standardise their own schools and make them conform to the State requirements in local fields. And it has brought to the attention of the denominations the necessity of providing such equipment in endowment and material apparatus, as shall make it possible for the Christian academy and school to compete with public institutions. Religious schools and colleges lack co-ordination. Many of them fail to keep up the standards of their own State or city. They have relatively small forces of teachers. The fields from which they draw students overlap, their funds are inadequate, and the church which has established them through lack of information on the subject does little to care for its own. The denominations in which such surveys have been made have found that the study and publication of the facts is well worth while. Many schools have been eliminated because of inefficiency. Some have been given over to other denominations having a local constituency, (as in the case of Central College, presented to us by the Baptist Association). One denomination especially has raised and fixed its own standard, and requires its schools to comply before they can draw on the educational funds.

The investigation now under way by your committee is

revealing some important conditions. The data secured will be tabulated and announced in due time.

The Council of Church Boards of Education has furnished important help in this connection. It has been a large part of the work of the Council to make such investigations. It has labored heartily and effectively with the Churches it represents and with the Association of Amercain Colleges. It shares the work of the Education Departments of the Young Men's and Young Women's Christian Associations. It is now in co-operation with the International Sunday School Lesson Committee. It is a clearing house for inter-church and intercollegiate service. It prepares and distributes special literature, some of its editions have numbered hundreds and thousands. It furnishes charts and statistical tables. It has had advisory oversight of the work of College and University pastors in several large institutions. It has suggested and arranged for filling vacant chairs in Bible Departments in schools and colleges.

But its most important work just now is the study of the sources of ministerial supply. The investigations made in the past few months show that conditions are exceedingly serious. Large numbers of men have gone into war service. Relatively few men are offering themselves for the ministry. The changes that will be made by war conditions and reconstruction after the war will require well trained men. The prospects for a large and effective force are not encouraging. The situation must be met by intensive cultivation of the field. The Christian ministry as a profession must be presented to Sunday Schools and public schools. The advantages, the claims, the joy of the Christian ministry as a profession must be revealed to our youth. Technical schools, Medical and Law schools enter this field and urge those in the preparatory stages of their education to enter these professions. But there has been no concerted effort and comparatively little effective work with this in view, by the church. Some denominations are already in the field on a large and intensive scale. The study of conditions

shows that if an educated ministry is to be provided and maintained the efforts must be increased. It is the purpose of the committee in charge of our own survey to carry this project forward. Conditions fully warrant our active co-operation and effort.

We are at an important stage of educational service. Hope College is to have a change in administration through the much regretted resignation of Dr. Vennema. Central College has a new President who has just begun his work. Northwestern Classical Academy has increased its endowment and is at least thinking of further enlargement, perhaps, through the development of a "Junior College." Pleasant Prairie and Wisconsin Academies are endeavoring to increase their material equipment. All this means added strength. The educational authorities, State and national, are raising the standards not only, but are insisting that in order to have recognition the schools and colleges must fulfill all requirements. Many schools have fallen by the way-side because of this high standard. This means that if we are to hold our own the endowment, the curricula, the teaching and administrative forces must receive adequate support. Unless this is done we can neither hold our own with other branches of the church, nor can we make our denominational work effective. Watchfulness, care, statesmanship and Christian purpose and persistence are required. All this is in the mind of the Committee on Survey as it joins other denominations in the same line of service, and as it seeks to make effective the work of our own church which has so long stood for an educated as well as a consecrated ministry.

FINANCIAL.

Offerings received during the year amount to \$10,215.26,*

*Note.—In addition to the amounts received by the Board from Churches in the Particular Synod of Chicago, contributions have been made during the year, principally by these Churches, of \$1,459.17 for the Classical Board of Benevolence, which assists students in Hope College; \$1,013.75 for the Classical Board of Education of the Northwest, which aids students in the Northwestern Classical Academy; and \$575.47 for the Classical Board of Benevolence of the Pleasant Prairie and Germania Classes, assisting students in Pleasant Prairie Academy; the total being \$3,048.39.

which is more than we have reported as having been received from the living for the general work of the Board in any other year since the opening of the century. These gifts came from 455 congregations, 34 Sunday-schools, 3 Young Peoples' Societies, 1 catechetical class, 1 Ladies' Missionary Society, and 12 individuals. A \$50 Liberty Bond from the General Synod is also included in the total of offerings received.

There has been no bequest during the past year for the general work of the Board, but the Scholarship Funds have been increased by the addition of \$332.21, as gifts from the Rev. E. G. W. Meury, D. D., (a member of the Board), and his congregation, for the Rev. John Nicholas Meury Fund; and by the addition of a residuary bequest of \$2,977.11, to the Peter J. and Jane Merselis Fund.

A lay member of the Board, who prefers to be known simply as "A Friend," has, for the second year, contributed \$200 to the Medical Missionary Student account, while "Two Friends" have assumed the annual appropriation of a Medical Missionary student. Special mention is also made of the peculiar preciousness of individual gifts coming from the families of those who have, in other days, served as officers of the Board, and who have now gone to their reward.

The total amount paid to students during the year has been \$13,555.47.

The Board is happy to report that, partly on account of the generous contributions of the churches and individual friends of the work, and partly on account of the small number of students needing aid this year, it has been able to pay in full the appropriations recommended by the General Synod, and also to make some additional appropriations to the colleges and seminaries.

During the year it has appropriated to the New Brunswick Seminary \$1,000; the same amount to the Western Seminary; \$4,500 to Hope College; \$4,000 to Central College; and \$3,900 to the three Classical Academies.

A detailed statement of receipts and expenditures may be found in the Treasurer's Report, which is appended, and which forms a part of the Board's Annual Report to the General Synod.

NOMINATIONS.

With this meeting of the Synod, the terms of office of the following members will expire and their places are to be filled:

Rev. Ame Vennema, D. D.,	Mr. John E. Ackerman,
" John W. Beardslee, D. D.,	" Charles L. Livingston,
" Elias W. Thompson, D. D.,	" Henry H. Dawson,
" Jasper S. Hogan, D. D.,	" Francis B. Sanford.

The Board, in accordance with the rules of the Synod, hereby nominates Reller D. Van Wagenen for recommendation by the General Synod to the Board of Trustees of Rutgers College, for aid from the Rebecca Knox Fund.

PUBLICATIONS.

The Board has published during the year an address by its Vice-President, the Rev. John H. Raven, D. D., on "Motives in the Ministry," and a pamphlet by its Corresponding Secretary, on the subject "Called to the Ministry." It has also distributed among the Classes a valuable pamphlet by Dr. B. Warren Brown, Survey Secretary of the Council of Church Boards of Education, on the subject, "Ministerial Supply."

CONCLUSION.

From the viewpoint of Christian education, the mighty and outstanding fact in the midst of the countless and astounding changes of the present time is the absolute permanence of God's eternal, covenant plan for saving and blessing the world through the gift of His Son, to die in the place of sinful and lost men.

Towering above all other features in our Saviour's unchanging plan for blessing the world through the application of His great redemption, is His calling and training and baptizing with His Spirit of power, men to go into all the world, to preach the gospel, as His witnesses.

These two mighty and heartening truths point out for us the way of prayer and effort :

1. For our students, following the Flag, in Army and Navy, that they may be true, Christian soldiers, and alive to the unprecedented opportunities which are theirs, of being faithful witnesses for their Lord and King.

2. That God will, by the experiences of the war, confirm them in their call to the gospel ministry, as being a service indispensable to the life and well-being of the world.

3. That God will graciously spare them, as far as consistent with His perfect wisdom and love, to return to their studies, with increased determination to secure the best possible preparation for a strong and fruitful ministry.

4. That the young men permitted to continue their studies for the ministry in colleges and seminaries, may not hastily enlist for war service or refuse to accept exemption from the draft, inasmuch as the President of the United States and the experienced leaders of our educational institutions recognize the need in the near future of a large and well-trained body of Christian ministers, to successfully carry forward the tremendous reconstruction work which will be left by the destruction and disorganization of war.

5. That out of the thousands of young men not subject to conscription, every classis, every church, and every Christian family shall earnestly and prayerfully seek to secure the needed students to fill up the ranks of the Christian ministry.

6. That our denominational schools shall put more emphasis than ever upon the principles which Jesus Christ taught both by precept and example, as constituting the only durable foundations of national and international peace and prosperity.

With sincere thanks to God for His blessings during the year, and with hearty appreciation and thanks to all who have contributed toward the success of the work, this report is respectfully submitted.

JOHN G. GEBHARD,
Corresponding Secretary.

Approved by the Board, May 7, 1918.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

PERMANENT FUND.

MAY 1, 1918.

The several scholarships composing this Fund are all invested in bonds secured by first mortgages on improved real estate in New York City and vicinity.

The Permanent Fund has been raised by the following donations:

GENERAL SCHOLARSHIPS.

For students preparing for the ministry of the Reformed Church, no institution specified.

1865	Charles Dusenbury	\$2,500 00
1872	Garret Kowenhoven	3,000 00
1872	Miss Mary Le Conte	3,000 00
1873	James Peters	3,325 00
1875	John V. L. Van Doren	5,833 00
1876	Miss Margaret E. Duryea	5,000 00
1878	Miss Mary D. Schaffer	3,000 00
1878	Miss Mary M. Danser	3,000 00
1879	Rev. A. T. Stewart	3,000 00
1880	Rev. Joseph Scudder	1,000 00
1889	The Mrs. Cornelia A. and Miss Lidde R. Statesir Scholarship	3,000 00
1890-2	"Berean" Scholarship	2,000 00
1891	Daniel P. Conover Scholarship	3,000 00
1892	Isaac E. Bergen	2,000 00
1892	Thomas Jessup	2,500 00
1894	Sarah Platt Remsen Scholarship	3,000 00
1894	Phoebe A. Remsen Scholarship	3,000 00
1895	Asher Riley Scholarship	3,000 00
1895	Frederick Cook Scholarship	3,000 00
1901	Cornelius S. Nevius	1,483 49
1902	"Berachah" Scholarship	1,602 73
1903	Rev. Hasbrouck DuBois	950 00
1903	John I. Lake Memorial Fund	3,000 00
1904	Sarah A. Broadhead Fund	158 33
1909	B. A. Bergen Memorial	2,000 00
1910	John Gosman Scholarship	2,000 00
1913	Rev. Andrew J. Hageman, Scholarship	3,000 00
1915	Rev. John Nicholas Meury Fund	1,364 31
1915	Abbie J. Bell Fund	110 00
		<hr/> \$73,858 06

FOR STUDENTS IN NEW BRUNSWICK THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

1877	Jeremiah Fuller	\$3,007 50
1899	A. F. Hazen Bequest	2,116 03
1904	Alida Van Schaick Scholarship	12,500 00
		<hr/> \$17,623 53

FOR STUDENTS PREPARING FOR THE MINISTRY IN RUTGERS
COLLEGE AND NEW BRUNSWICK THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

1883	Brush Fund	\$3,000 00	
1900	John and Mary Martin Neefus Educa- tional Fund	17,000 00	
1906	Peter Bogart Scholarship	3,500 00	
1906	Albert H. Randall	500 00	
			<hr/> \$24,000 00

FOR STUDENTS PREPARING FOR THE MINISTRY IN THE WEST-
ERN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

1904	Alida Van Schaick Fund.....	12,000 00
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FOR STUDENTS PREPARING FOR THE MINISTRY IN HOPE
COLLEGE AND WESTERN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

1891	Rev. William Brush Fund.....	\$2,000 00	
1913	Peter I. and Mary Van Kleek Neefus Fund	30,051 57	
			<hr/> 32,051 57

FOR STUDENTS PREPARING FOR THE MINISTRY IN HOPE COL-
LEGE.

1884	Kesiah Lansing Fund	2,000 00
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FOR THE GENERAL PURPOSES OF THE BOARD.

1914	Peter J. and Jane Merselis Fund.....	32,977 11
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FOR THE BENEFIT OF HOPE COLLEGE.

1885	Johnson Letson Fund	\$1,000 00	
1892	Thomas Jessup Fund	2,500 00	
			<hr/> 3,500 00

FOR THE BENEFIT OF NORTHWESTERN CLASSICAL ACADEMY.

1892	Thomas Jessup Fund	2,500 00	
			<hr/> \$199,479 07

	Amount of Scholarships on hand May 1, 1917.....	\$196,169 75	
	Received offerings for Rev. John Nicholas Meury Fund	332 21	
	Received account Residuary Clause, for Peter J. and Jane Merselis Fund	2,977 11	
	Invested on Bond and Mortgage.....	\$197,550 00	
	On Deposit in Lawyers Title and Trust Co., Brooklyn	1,929 07	
			<hr/> \$199,479 07
			<hr/> \$199,479 07

CONTINGENT FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand May 1, 1918.....	\$9,529 80
Offerings—	
For Education Fund, cash ...	\$9,217 86
Liberty Bond from General	
Synod	50 00
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	\$9,267 86
Medical Students	384 00
Hope College	277 85
Central College	31 55
Wisconsin Academy	15 00
Student Special Fund	214 00
Board of Domestic Missions.....	25 00
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	\$10,215 26
Interest from Investments—	
For General Scholarship Fund, including	
\$5.50 interest from Abbie J. Bell Fund,	
as from Reformed Church of Chat-	
ham, N. Y.....	\$5,089 07
Neefus Fund, Eastern	850 00
Neefus Fund, Western	1,187 34
Van Schaick Fund	476 29
Van Schaick Scholarship	558 88
Merselis Fund	1,509 58
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	9,671 16
Interest from Board of Direction—	
For Antonides Fund	\$4,613 97
General Scholarship Fund	7,816 05
Parochial School Fund	546 72
New Brunswick Seminary Students.....	456 00
Peter Wyckoff Fund	2,375 60
Jansen Scholarship, New Brunswick Sem.	213 80
Jansen Scholarship, Western Seminary..	213 80
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	16,235 94
Interest on daily balances.....	\$334 01
Repayments from students	1,007 59
Checks returned unused	305 00
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	\$47,298 76

DISBURSEMENTS.

New Brunswick Seminary	\$500 00
Western Seminary	1,000 00
Hope College—	
Appropriation recommended by Synod...	\$3,500 00
Additional appropriations	1,000 00
Offerings	277 85
Interest, Jessup Fund	152 87
Interest, Letson Fund	61 15
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	4,991 87

Central College—		
Appropriation recommended by Synod....	\$3,500 00	
Additional appropriation	500 00	
Offerings	31 55	
		4,031 55
Northwestern Academy—		
Appropriation	\$1,200 00	
Interest, Jessup Fund	152 87	
		1,352 87
Wisconsin Academy—		
Appropriation	\$1,500 00	
Offerings	15 00	
		1,515 00
Pleasant Prairie Academy—Appropriation....		1,200 00
Students, Appropriations, Room-rents and Fees, General Scholarship Fund—		
New Brunswick Seminary	\$1,494 00	
Colgate Seminary, (Italian Dept.).....	208 30	
Western Seminary	1,094 45	
Hope College	2,488 24	
Central College	374 45	
Rutgers College	30 00	
Michigan University	40 00	
Chicago University	40 00	
Mission House College	75 00	
Rutgers Prep. School	279 61	
		6,124 05
Antonides Fund—		
Western Seminary	\$671 10	
Hope College	795 00	
Central College	510 00	
Mission House College	154 16	
Colgate Seminary	41 66	
Rutgers Prep. School	30 00	
		2,201 92
Special Funds—		
Neefus Fund, Eastern	\$480 00	
Neefus Fund, Western	1,128 00	
Van Schaick Fund	560 00	
Van Schaick Scholarship	682 50	
New Brunswick Seminary Students.....	410 00	
Peter Wyckoff Fund	940 00	
Jansen Scholarship, New Brunswick Seminary	255 00	
Jansen Scholarship, Western Seminary..	240 00	
Medical Students	416 00	
Student Special Fund	118 00	
		5,229 50
Board of Domestic Missions, Offering	25 00	
Legal Expenses	99 60	
Repayment returned to sick student.....	40 00	
Liberty Bond	961 30	
Accrued interest on same	10 67	
Salaries and office help	4,250 00	
Rent of office	590 00	

Traveling expenses	238 47	
Printing	144 00	
Postage	91 52	
Telephone	39 30	
Mission Field	151 85	
Exchange on checks	3 82	
Renovation of office	211 25	
Mimeograph	65 00	
Council of Church Boards of Education.....	200 00	
Christian Intelligencer	160 00	
De Hope Publishing Co.	140 00	
Premiums on Fidelity Insurance.....	25 00	
Rent of safe deposit box.....	20 00	
Students' traveling expenses	11 00	
Share, furnishing assembly-room	26 20	
Sundry office supplies	8 69	
On hand, May 1, 1918—		
In Bank of the Manhattan Co.....	\$11,291 52	
Liberty Bond	50 00	
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		\$47,298 76

BALANCES.

Of the several accounts of the Contingent Fund—	
Antonides Fund	\$2,464 04
Education Fund	1,041 90
General Scholarship Fund	3,897 46
Neefus Fund, Eastern	301 31
Neefus Fund, Western	230 88
Merselis Fund	481 21
Medical Students	416 73
New Brunswick Seminary Students	57 38
New Brunswick Seminary Superintendents	500 00
Parochial School Fund	64 63
Students' Emergency Fund	297 81
Student Special Fund	101 00
Van Schaick Fund	342 60
Van Schaick Scholarship	275 38
Peter Wyckoff Fund	1,515 62
Jansen Scholarship, New Brunswick Seminary	298 84
Jansen Scholarship, Western Seminary	313 84
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	\$12,600 63
In Bank of Manhattan Co., N. Y. City.....	11,391 52
Union Square Savings Bank, N. Y. City.....	297 81
U. S. Liberty Bonds	1,011 30
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	\$12,600 63
Certificate of Deposit, Lawyers T. & T. Co.....	6,000 00

JOHN F. BERRY,
Treasurer.

We certify that we have examined the Permanent Fund Securities of the Board of Education of the Reformed Church in

America, and find the sum to amount to One Hundred Ninety-nine Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-nine Dollars and seven cents, (\$199,479.07), and that we have also compared the receipts and vouchers of the several Funds, and find them correct as they appear upon the books.

JOHN E. ACKERMAN,
JOHN H. RAVEN,
Auditing Committee.

New York, May 7, 1918.

NOTE.—The balances may be used only for the following purposes, viz.:

General Scholarship Fund, for students preparing for the ministry of the Reformed Church in college, (no special college mentioned), or in one of the theological seminaries of our Church.

Antonides Fund, for same uses as General Scholarship Fund, but the Antonides account must be kept separate.

Neefus Fund, Eastern, for students preparing for the ministry of the Reformed Church in Rutgers College and New Brunswick Seminary.

Neefus Fund, Western, for students preparing for the ministry of the Reformed Church in Hope College and the Western Seminary.

Van Schaick Scholarship, for students preparing for the ministry of the Reformed Church in New Brunswick Seminary.

Van Schaick Fund, for students preparing for the ministry of the Reformed Church in Western Seminary.

Parochial School Fund, for aiding parochial schools and classical academies.

Merselis Fund, for the general purposes of the Board.

Students' Emergency Fund, for especially designated students or for students in cases of exceptional need.

Medical Students' Fund, for students preparing for medical missionary service under commission of the Board of Foreign Missions of our Reformed Church.

Education Fund, for any of the corporate purposes of the Board of Education, namely, for "educating young men for the ministry of the gospel and extending aid to the theological and collegiate institutions and religious schools under the care and founded according to the order of the Reformed Church in America."

Peter Wyckoff Fund, for New Brunswick Seminary Students in Hertzog Hall.

OFFERINGS RECEIVED MAY 1, 1917, TO APRIL 30, 1918

CLASSIS OF ALBANY.

1st Albany	\$80 00
Madison Ave., Albany.	198 85
4th Albany	10 00
6th Albany	17 75
1st Bethlehem	26 00
Clarksville	1 13
Delmar	8 75
Knox	3 00
New Baltimore	7 41
New Salem	2 90
Westerlo	4 00
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	\$359 79

CLASSIS OF BERGEN.

1st Hackensack	\$35 00
S. S. Hackensack.....	20 00
Schraalenberg	13 13
Ridgefield	8 10
2d Hackensack	44 37
Closter	26 91
North Hackensack.....	13 00
Westwood	42 75
Oradell	31 07
Bogart Memorial.....	13 65
Harrington Park	5 00
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	\$252 98

SOUTH CLASSIS OF BERGEN.

Bergen, J. C.	\$121 04
1st Bayonne	22 00
1st Van Voorst, J. C....	8 00
5th St., Bayonne.....	67 17
2d Hudson City, J. C....	7 62
Lafayetts, J. C.	48 74
S. S. Lafayette.....	19 89
Greenville, J. C.	27 70
3d Bayonne	2 00
S. S. Ger. Ev., J. C....	10 00
Faith, J. C.	11 92
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	\$346 08

CLASSIS OF THE CASCADES.

Hope	\$ 88
Lynden	23 04
North Yakima	20 00
Oak Harbor	6 18
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	\$50 10

CLASSIS OF CHICAGO.

1st Chicago	\$40 00
S. S. Chicago, West	
Side	24 66
Danforth	8 00
Ebenezer, Morrison.....	15 20
1st Englewood.....	18 63
1st Fulton	15 11
2d Fulton	6 35
Gano	17 00
Indianapolis	3 65
Lansing	26 00
Newton	7 25
1st Roseland	50 00

South Holland	20 00
Spring Valley, Ustick..	5 98
Summit	7 60
C. E., Summit.....	2 50.
Wichert	31 44
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	\$299 37

CLASSIS OF DAKOTA.

Aurora	\$2 00
Castlewood	5 00
Charles Mix	10 00
Corsica	7 50
Grand View	7 00
Harrison	16 23
Sen. Catech'ns, Litch-	
ville	2 00
Maurice, Am. Ref.....	11 59
Monroe, Sandham Mem'l	33 45
North Marion	11 05
Orange City	32 76
Springfield	22 90
Strasburg	2 50
Westfield	22 76
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	\$186 74

CLASSIS OF GERMANIA.

Bethel	\$5 00
Chancellor	1 50
Davis	8 00
Dempster	5 00
Hope	5 00
2d Lennox	12 32
S. S. Lennox	2 50
Logan	5 00
Monroe	10 00
Salem	25 00
Scotland	16 84
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	\$96 16

CLASSIS OF GRAND RIVER.

Beverly	\$6 62
Byron Center	7 60
Coopersville	21 70
Decatur	4 00
Detroit	39 85
Fremont	14 86
1st Grand Haven	38 95
3d Grand Rapids	12 43
4th Grand Rapids	10 00
5th Grand Rapids	15 23
6th Grand Rapids	20 00
7th Grand Rapids	10 00
8th Grand Rapids	6 45
9th Grand Rapids	10 00
1st Kalamazoo	8 52
3d Kalamazoo	13 00
4th Kalamazoo	9 00
1st Muskegon	21 00
3d Muskegon	2 00
New Era	8 00
Spring Lake	15 00
Twin Lakes	12 00
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	\$306 21

CLASSIS OF GREENE.

Athens	\$5 00
Catskill	37 90
1st Coxsackie	4 83
2d Coxsackie	4 82
Leeds	3 00
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	\$55 55

CLASSIS OF HOLLAND.

Beaverdam	\$5 41
1st Cleveland	12 95
Calvary, Cleveland....	31 35
Ebenezer	9 55
1st Hamilton	11 94
Harlem	3 27
1st Holland	22 73
3d Holland	31 20
S. S., Holland	17 47
4th Holland	29 81
1st Jamestown	13 65
2d Jamestown	14 15
North Holland	19 00
Overisel	43 23
South Blendon	14 38
1st Zeeland	15 00
2d Zeeland	15 00
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	\$310 09

CLASSIS OF HUDSON.

Claverack	\$32 63
Gallatin	3 74
Germantown	5 00
Greenport	10 98
Hudson	26 54
Linlithgo	5 30
Livingston Mem'l	3 00
S. S., Livingston Mem'l..	2 00
Mellenville	9 50
Philmont	82 85
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	\$181 54

CLASSIS OF ILLINOIS.

Bethany	\$20 00
2d Englewood	20 00
Fairview	5 00
Northwestern	4 00
Spring Lake	1 00
Trinity	9 25
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	\$59 25

CLASSIS OF IOWA.

Alton	\$27 66
Alvoord	3 83
Archer	5 00
Bethel, Leota	10 00
Boyd	43 15
Carmel	30 08
Chandler	8 00
Clara Coty	10 00
Doon	5 73
Edgerton	20 00
Holland	25 00
S. S., Hospers	20 00
Hull	47 37
Inwood	23 19
Lester	10 02
Luctor	13 26
Maurice	38 45
Matlock	8 49

Newkirk	53 35
1st Orange City	67 13
Pella	15 42
Prairie View	19 56
Rock Rapids	6 46
Rock Valley	17 10
Roseland	15 44
Rotterdam	5 43
Sanborn	9 00
Sandstone	3 25
Sheldon	10 00
Sibley	3 51
Silver Creek	14 00
1st Sioux Center	70 00
Sioux Center, Central..	28 62
Steen	14 07
Twin Brooks	4 80
Volga	3 09
Free Grace, Middleburg	15 00
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	\$724 46

CLASSIS OF KINGSTON.

Bloomington	\$15 65
The Clove	2 63
Hurley	4 00
Fair St., Kingston.....	10 98
Krumville	5 00
Rochester	2 50
Lyonsville	2 00
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	\$42 76

NORTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND.

Jamaica	\$36 35
Oyster Bay	10 00
North Hempstead	7 50
1st Astoria	6 87
Flushing	40 00
Kent St., Brooklyn....	6 02
South Bushwick	15 85
2d Astoria	10 83
S. S., Astoria	8 00
Queens	11 48
Ger. Ev., Brooklyn....	5 00
S. S., Ev., Brooklyn....	15 00
College Point	59 71
1st Long Island City ..	3 00
Steinway	5 00
Sunny Side	1 00
Winfield	5 00
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	\$246 61

SOUTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND.

1st Flatbush	\$52 00
Grace Reformed	75 00
New Utrecht	20 00
Gravesend	42 84
Flatlands	15 50
Twelfth Street	24 84
S. S., Bethany	12 50
Church-on-the-Heights ..	37 95
New Brooklyn	10 00
Canarsie	5 00
Ocean Hill	5 08
Edgewood	8 00
Woodlawn	25 00
Greenwood Heights	10 00
Bay Ridge	40 30
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	\$384 01

EDUCATION.

CLASSIS OF MICHIGAN.

Bethany, G. R.	\$24 00
Bethany, Kalamazoo ..	15 00
Bethel, G. R.	5 00
Calvary, G. R.	10 00
2d Grand Haven	10 00
1st Grand Rapids	59 88
2d Grand Rapids	87 27
Hope, Holland	38 32
2d Kalamazoo	10 00
2d Muskegon	7 10
North Park St., Kala-	
mazoo	11 37
Trinity, Holland	26 32
Trinity, Grand Rapids..	10 00
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	\$314 26

CLASSIS OF MONMOUTH.

1st Freehold	\$6 73
2d Freehold	53 70
Keyport	10 00
Asbury Park	5 55
Colt's Neck	10 00
Holmdel	5 00
Middletown	9 63
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	\$100 61

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY.

1st Amsterdam	\$14 88
S. S., Amsterdam	13 68
Trinity, Amsterdam ..	12 14
Canajoharie	3 83
Fonda	11 87
Fort Plain	26 83
Fultonville	13 00
Hagaman	14 19
Interlaken	16 62
Johnstown	9 00
Lodi	10 00
Owasco	6 35
St. Johnsville	15 00
Sprakers	1 52
2d Syracuse	5 00
Utica	11 93
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	\$185 84

CLASSIS OF NEWARK.

Belleville	\$20 40
1st Newark	25 00
Franklin	25 00
North, Newark	77 01
West Newark	10 00
S. S., Newark	4 00
Clinton Ave., Newark..	34 67
Linden	6 00
Brookdale	2 07
1st Orange	15 95
Trinity, Plainfield	24 00
Montclair Heights	10 00
Hyde Park	13 43
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	\$267 53

CLASSIS OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

1st New Brunswick	\$24 00
Six Mile Run	9 63

Griggstown	3 59
2d New Brunswick	25 00
Bound Brook	5 32
East Millstone	6 56
Metuchen	41 40
Suydam St., New Bruns-	
wick	31 64
Highland Park	5 00
Spottswood	7 00
Perth Amboy	4 00
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	\$163 14

CLASSIS OF NEW YORK.

New York Collegiate...	\$515 00
Missy Soc'y 34th St..	15 00
S. S., Vermilye Chapel..	10 00
Harlem	49 35
Staten Island	29 05
68th St., German	4 00
S. S., Manor Chapel....	7 00
Brighton Heights	30 00
S. S., Brighton Heights.	21 00
Zion, Ger. Ev.	20 00
West Farms	4 59
Mott Haven	37 12
Melrose, Ger.	11 00
4th German, N. Y. City	10 00
C. E., German, N. Y.	
City	10 00
Union of High Bridge..	11 79
Grace	10 00
Hamilton Grange	28 70
Anderson Memorial	4 34
Church-of-the - Comfort-	
er	10 87
Bethany Memorial	5 00
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	\$843 81

CLASSIS OF ORANGE.

Deer Park	\$10 00
Ellenville	29 79
Fallsburgh	15 81
Grahansville	1 00
Montgomery	4 40
Newburgh	30 95
New Hurley	6 40
New Prospect	7 03
Shawangunk	11 40
Walden	33 28
Wallkill	40 18
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	\$190 24

CLASSIS OF THE PALISADES.

New Durhan	\$40 00
North Bergen	15 00
S. S., North Bergen....	17 00
Coytesville	3 83
Guttenberg	10 00
S. S., Guttenburg	5 00
Central Ave., J. C.	37 46
S. S., Central Ave., J. C.	11 31
1st West Hoboken	30 30
Trinity, West New York	2 00
Woodcliffe-on-Hudson ..	9 75
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	\$181 65

CLASSIS OF PARAMUS.

Acquackanonk	\$248 14
Athenia	13 78
Clifton	25 15
Hawthorne	14 00
Ho-Ho-Kus	2 00
Paramus	64 29
Passaic, 1st Holland...	21 64
Passaic, North	24 73
Paterson, Broadway...	32 40
Paterson, Church of the Covenant	28 72
Paterson, Second	15 00
Piermont	4 40
Ramapo	12 69
Ridgewood	56 00
Saddle River	8 11
Spring Valley	18 88
Warwick	53 74
West New Hempstead..	3 35
Wortendyke, 1st Holland...	21 17
Upper Ridgewood Com..	3 00
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	\$671 19

CLASSIS OF PASSAIC.

Boonton	\$17 19
1st Little Falls	34 04
2d Little Falls	10 00
Mountain Lakes	5 00
Peoples' Park	10 00
Pompton Plains	15 00
Preakness	2 37
Riverside	7 00
Paterson, 6th Holland..	25 00
Union Reformed	25 00
Wanaque	5 00
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	\$155 60

CLASSIS OF PELLA.

Bethany	\$10 13
Ebenezer	17 19
Eddyville	7 40
Killduff	5 70
Muscatine	14 09
New Sharon	9 35
Otley	20 00
S. S., 1st Pella	63 00
2d Pella	50 00
C. E., 2d Pella	5 00
3d Pella	25 00
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	\$226 81

CLASSIS OF PHILADELPHIA.

N. & S. Hampton	\$7 00
S. S., Churchville	20 37
S. S., Feasterville	6 68
S. S., Johnsville	5 00
Harlingen	12 34
Neshanic	21 16
1st Philadelphia	32 56
4th Philadelphia	53 74
Blawenburgh	4 06
Clover Hill	5 00
5th Philadelphia	15 00
Addisville	15 60
Three Bridges	7 00
Talmage, Philada.	13 41
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	\$218 92

CLASSIS OF PLEASANT
PRAIRIE.

Alexander	\$10 00
Aplington	35 00
S. S., Aplington	12 80
Baileyville	15 00
Bristow	8 00
Buffalo Center	10 00
Dumont	5 00
Ebenezer	10 00
Elim	8 00
Fairview	5 00
Forreston	70 00
Immanuel	19 00
Meservey	25 71
S. S., Meservey	10 00
Monroe	20 00
S. S., Parkersburg	15 00
Peoria	5 00
Ramsay	9 60
Silver Creek	30 00
Stout	15 71
Washington	10 00
Wellsburg	30 00
Zion	19 00
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	\$397 82

CLASSIS OF POUGHKEEPSIE.

Poughkeepsie	\$53 59
Fishkill	27 79
Hopewell	23 67
New Hackensack	10 80
Fishkill-on-Hudson	29 27
Upper Red Hook	7 69
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	\$152 81

CLASSIS OF RARITAN.

1st Raritan	\$19 03
Readington	10 20
Bedminster	66 25
Lebanon	7 60
North Branch	10 40
2d Raritan	75 40
Peapack	6 02
S. S., Peapack	2 10
South Branch	6 00
3d Raritan	19 25
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	\$222 25

CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER.

Blooming Grove	\$3 50
Castleton	5 00
Chatham	13 50
1st Ghent	1 00
2d Ghent	4 10
Greenbush	7 00
Kinderhook	8 02
Nassau	14 75
1st Rensselaer	1 00
Stuyvesant	1 76
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	\$59 63

CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER.

Abbe	\$15 00
Arcadia	7 15
Brighton	12 50

EDUCATION.

Buffalo	5 00
Clymer Hill	4 80
East Williamson	21 81
2d Marion	19 37
Ontario	3 50
Palmyra	5 00
Pultneyville	11 00
1st Rochester	12 00
2d Rochester	19 16
Sodus	5 00
Williamson	10 80
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\$152 09	

CLASSIS OF SARATOGA.

The Boght	\$2 00
Buskirks	10 00
Cohoes	18 80
Gansevoort	75
Greenwich	31 20
West Troy, North	21 37
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\$84 12	

CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.

Altamont	\$13 64
1st Glenville	2 55
Helderberg	5 65
Niskayuna	25 00
S. S., 2d Rotterdam	10 00
1st Schenectady	21 71
Mt. Pleasant	27 00
S. S., Bellevue	82 70
Scotia	5 00
S. S., Scotia	5 00
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\$198 25	

CLASSIS OF SCOHARIE.

Cobleskill	\$14 77
2d Howes Cave	4 00
Lawyersville	2 00
Middleburg	4 41
S. S., Schoharie	11 00
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\$36 18	

CLASSIS OF ULSTER.

Blue Mountain	\$3 00
Church-of-the-Comfort- er	14 00
1st Kingston	62 08
Port Ewen	6 75
Saugerties	10 00
Shokan	3 00
West Hurley	1 06
Woodstock	3 88
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\$193 77	

CLASSIS OF WESTCHESTER.

Bronxville	\$25 00
Cortlandtown	7 00
Greenburgh	32 00
Greenville	2 75
Hastings	10 00
S. S., Hastings	5 00
Mt. Vernon	29 13
Mill Square, Yonkers..	8 00
Nyack	87 76

Park Hill	33 75
Peekskill	15 00
1st Tarrytown	69 30
Unionville	2 35
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\$327 04	

CLASSIS OF WISCONSIN.

Alto	\$70 70
Baldwin	20 80
Forestville	3 00
Friesland	33 00
Gibbsville	29 37
Greenleafston	24 79
Hingham	13 50
Milwaukee	26 96
Oostburg	10 00
Sheboygan	9 90
Waupun	24 98
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\$267 00	

INDIVIDUAL AND SPECIAL OFFERINGS.

"A Friend"	\$12 00
Mrs. P. M. Doolittle..	20 00
"A Friend"	75 00
Rev. George W. Gulick..	5 00
"Two Old Friends" ..	214 00
J. D. Hoffman	1 00
In Memory of "W"	125 00
A Member from Preak- ness	1 00
George A. Sanford....	10 00
Rev. George W. Labaw..	5 00
"A Friend"	200 00
"Two Friends"	50 00
General Synod, Liberty Bond	50 00
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\$768 00	

FOR PERMANENT FUND PRINCIPAL.

OFFERINGS FOR THE REV. JOHN NICHOLAS MEURY FUND.

Rev. E. G. W. Meury, D. D.	\$200 00
Knox Memorial Church	90 00
S. S., Knox Memorial Church	27 21
Edward Meury	10 00
Emil Meury	5 00
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\$332 21	

Residuary Bequest for the Peter J. & Jane Merselis Fund	\$2,977 11
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TOTAL OF OFFERINGS AND BEQUESTS.

Offerings of Churches and Societies	\$9,422 26
Offerings of Individuals for Contingent Fund.	768 00
Offerings for Permanent Fund Principal.....	332 21
Bequest for Permanent Fund Principal.....	2,977 11
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Grand total.....	\$13,499 58

The Sixty-Fourth Annual Report of the Board of Publication and Bible-school Work of the Reformed Church in America

Together with the

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ASBURY PARK, NEW JERSEY, JUNE, 1918

ANNUAL REPORT—1918

TO THE GENERAL SYNOD:

In presenting the sixty-fourth annual report of the Board of Publication and Bible-school Work to the General Synod, your Board records its thanksgivings to God throughout another year, in many particulars a most critical year in the history of this Board. The death of our Business Agent, Mr. Louis E. Turk, almost at the close of 1917, after seventeen years of valued service; the resignation of our Educational Secretary, Rev. Theodore F. Bayles, whose initial work in the Department of Religious Education was marked by strategic leadership and spiritual power; the authorization by the General Synod to take over the ownership and the publication of *The Christian Intelligencer* on July 1, 1917, as a Church Paper for the whole denomination, with the increased financial responsibility upon our Board, have caused your Board great concern and earnest prayer during the past year. We are glad to report the solution of two of these critical problems.

THE NOTABLE EVENTS.

I. The new Business Agent. At the beginning of the year our Educational Secretary, Rev. Theodore F. Bayles, rendered efficient service in our Business Department, until in July the Board elected Mr. Robert W. Simington, highly commended by his firm, Fleming H. Revell Company, in whose service he had spent many years as had his predecessor, Mr. Turk. The months of Mr. Simington's service in our Board Rooms promise great things in the future for our Business Department. His courteous and quiet personality is winning its way to a fuller patronage of our Board from our churches, Sunday schools and other sources of business throughout the Church. While much of our business was new to him, he has thoroughly mastered it, and

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from his long experience in the book trade he has been invaluable to us in our Publication Department. The Board bespeaks for him a welcome at his first attendance of the General Synod and a personal visit from the members at the book room.

2. The new Educational Secretary. The resignation of Rev. Theodore F. Bayles was received with deep regret by the Board. His successor was prayerfully sought throughout the denomination, and the call was extended to Rev. Abram Duryee of the Classis of South Bergen, whose successful pastorates at North Hackensack and Jersey City, as well as his active interest in Young People's Work in New Jersey, gave promise of fuller usefulness in the office of Educational Secretary of the Reformed Church. The eight months covered by his report, following in this annual message to Synod, prove the wisdom of the Board in his election to this responsible position.

3. The Christian Intelligencer. The third problem of the Board yet awaiting a satisfactory solution is the management and publication of the Church paper; The Christian Intelligencer. The Board in response to Synod's action at its last meeting took over the entire control of The Intelligencer on July 1, 1917, together with an obligation amounting to thirty-six hundred dollars (\$3,600), relying upon the action of the General Synod which was as follows:

"General Synod believes that a representative Church paper is so essential to the life and progress of our denomination, that it would be a real calamity to allow the Christian Intelligencer to suspend publication or to be lost to the denomination. The work so well done in the past should be sustained and increased in power and efficiency.

"The experience of other denominations justifies the statement that a Church paper is more likely to succeed if published officially under the care and direction of a Board of the General Synod than if under the control of a private corporation, no matter how devoted to the best interests of the Church the latter may be.

"The greatness of the task and the material difficulties

alike challenge the Church to assume this high and holy obligation as a great venture of faith, counting with confidence on the guidance and blessing of God and the co-operation of all our pastors and people.

"General Synod therefore, authorizes and instructs its 'Board of Publication and Bible School Work' to accept the offer of the Christian Intelligencer Association, viz.:

A. To take over the right, title and interest of the Christian Intelligencer on July 1, 1917, with its subscription lists, advertising contracts, good will, etc., and to assume full control of the management and publication of said paper from that date.

B. To assume the indebtedness of the \$4,500, note to the Drury Estate, according to the offer made, that is to pay the sum of \$400 per annum instead of interest, for a period of nine years (total \$3,600); said payments to begin July 1, 1918.

"General Synod expresses its enthusiastic approval of the Board's selection of Dr. William P. Bruce, to be the editor-in-chief of the Christian Intelligencer, and unqualifiedly commends him and his associates to the confidence and support of the Church, so that by the fullest loyalty and co-operation the number of subscribers and advertisers be greatly increased and the paper placed as rapidly as possible upon a self-supporting basis.

"General Synod (recognizing that the Church paper is the medium through which our denominational, missionary, educational and benevolent work is constantly stimulated, our united effort fostered, and that harmonious and aggressive spirit secured, which is so essential to the welfare of our church; therefore, it enjoins the Boards, Institutions and Agencies of the Church and, through the Classes, all pastors and people, to rally to the moral and financial support of the Christian Intelligencer.

"The first years of the undertaking will be critical and this support most urgently needed, and General Synod therefore recommends to the Boards and Educational Institutions, the sharing of the burden by making such an annual generous

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donation to the Board of Publication as may be warranted, to be applied solely to expense incident to the publication of the Church paper and in return for space allotted to such Board or Institution.

"General Synod further suggests to the men and women who love the Reformed Church in America, that by gifts and by legacies to the Board of Publication and Bible School Work, they create an endowment fund, which in course of time may become sufficiently large to guarantee the continuance of the paper and the maintenance of its high character and usefulness.

"General Synod expresses the hope that some amicable arrangement may be made in the near future to combine the Christian Intelligencer and The Leader, and thus concentrate our efforts in the support of one official and comprehensive organ which shall serve all the interests of the denomination and tend to unify all our life and work.

"We further recommend:

1. That in view of the enlarging work of our Board, the Synod ask the church to contribute \$20,000 as the minimum amount adequate for the work of the Board in the Departments of Education, Evangelism and Publication, including the Intelligencer.

2. That the Consistories of all our Churches in apportioning the budget of benevolences for the coming year be enjoined to give this Board five per cent. of the benevolences contributed to denominational objects. In the report of the Board, 10 cents on each dollar of the Church's benevolence is asked. The Committee feels that the five cents recommended by Synod last year will be a fairer working basis.

3. That all of our Churches be advised and urged to use to the fullest extent the facilities of our Board for supplying churches, Bibles Schools and Young People's Societies, for the maintenance of their various lines of work, and that before ordering supplies elsewhere, our churches communicate with our Business Department.

4. That Synod urge upon all our Churches the importance

of making annually a contribution to the Board of Publication and Bible School Work, enabling it to carry on its work of assisting needy churches calling for aid in the matter of hymnbooks, psalters and literature of all kinds."

The election of Dr. William P. Bruce as Editor-in-Chief, by the Board, and the continuance in the Editorial Department of the former honored editors, marked a spirit of progress linked with a full conservatism. The change in the form of the paper during the year has met with general approval. The Board has taken vigorous measures to arouse the Reformed Church in the three Particular Synods, New York, New Brunswick and Albany, by a series of Classical Conferences in Classes. A conference of all the Classical Agents of the Board was held early in the fall. At all these gatherings the claims of the Board in its wider work, as well as the claims of the Church paper, were earnestly presented by members of the Board who gladly gave their time and service. The Particular Synod of Chicago has also been visited by our Educational Secretary, and the claims of the Board presented to this important Synod of our Church. We are determined to reach the ear and the heart of our Reformed Church for the wider and influential work which Synod in recent years has committed to this Board. We ask only our share of the Church's benevolent offerings, but Synod has already approved \$20,000 as a minimum amount adequate for the work of the Board in the Departments of Education, Evangelism and Publication, including *The Intelligencer*. When all the churches respond to this call of the Synod by annual offerings to our Board of five cents on every dollar of Denominational Benevolent Offerings, the third problem that has caused your Board a year of great concern will be solved in a way with which not only the Board but also the Lord will be well pleased.

EVANGELISTIC AND WAR WORK.

Another year of evangelistic effort has been put forth by our Board. The work as reported more fully by our Com-

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mittee on Evangelism later gives in detail the lines of effort put forth during the year. The call of our Country to war work in the camps near to our Reformed Church came to our Committee, and the organization of the Committee on War Work, with our Treasurer, Mr. John F. Chambers, as its Treasurer, also shows our cooperation in this important service.

INCREASING BUSINESS.

The Board is glad to report a growing loyalty of our churches in our Business Department. The periodical sales have advanced during the year, and we are looking confidently forward to securing from every one of our eight hundred schools the order for periodical supplies. The book business of our Board has felt the pressure of relief calls for the suffering peoples of the world, and our usual sale of Christmas books was entirely cut off. The sale of hymn books also has been light because of the promise of the new Reformed Church Hymnal adopted by the Synod of 1917. The Board has united with the Board of our Sister Reformed Church in the publication of this new hymnal, and look forward to its wide use in all our churches during the coming year.

THE CONSTITUTION IN OTHER LANGUAGES.

For the first time in the history of our Church we have the Constitution in both the Dutch and German translations, for use in the churches and ecclesiastical assemblies. The Board acknowledges the services of Dr. James F. Zwemer and his fellow-workers in the preparation of the Dutch edition, and of Dr. A. F. Beyer and Dr. John Rudolph in the preparation of the German edition. At the request of the Classes using this edition, the Belgic Confession was included in the book. The Board assures every assistance to our churches at home and on the foreign field to meet the demands of denominational literature.

OUR BIBLE-SCHOOL OFFERINGS.

A most encouraging mark of interest in our work as a Board is the growing number of Bible Schools which are making a contribution to our Board as a requirement in the Standard of Efficiency of these training schools of Church life. The Board looks forward with confidence to a time when these Bible Schools will carry on the entire work of Religious Education for the Reformed Church by their generous offerings. Eight hundred Bible Schools, closely united with our work through our Educational and Business Departments, will foster the mutual cooperation of the Bible Schools and the Board. Our Classical Agents are doing much to help in this direction by securing the statistics from year to year, which place in our hands the information needed to keep in touch with our Bible Schools.

CO-OPERATION IN MISSIONARY EDUCATION WORK.

The Board has continued its cooperation with the Joint Committee on Missionary Education, which is composed of representatives of the four Boards of Missions of the Reformed Church. The report of the Joint Committee on Missionary Education will be found elsewhere in our report.

THE FINANCIAL SUPPORT OF OUR WORK.

The Board calls the attention of the Synod to the larger claim of our growing work upon all the churches of our denomination. A careful study of the financial condition of the other Boards of the Church reveals the scanty support of our Board. Sixty-five years mark the history of this Board. Created by Synod in the days of the fathers, its its age merits consideration on the part of Synod today. In 1867 the Committee of Synod reported that an endowment of \$30,000 was needed for its work, and a determined effort was made to secure such endowment. \$20,000 was announced as the total amount in 1873. For a greater reason in these days of financial prosperity in our denomina-

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tion, the Board of Publication and Bible-school Work should ask the Synod to call upon the churches for the sum asked for by the Synod of 1867. A glance at the following comparison with our Sister Boards shows how the Church has met the demands of their enlarged work during these years:

CONTRIBUTIONS FROM ALL THE SYNODS YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1917.

<i>Endowment Fund.</i>		<i>Average per Family.</i>
\$238,363	Foreign Missions \$194,923	\$2.65
251,700	Domestic Missions . . . 143,051	1.95
207,350	Disabled Ministers Fund 9,816	.13
195,169	Board of Education . . . 9,121	.12
119,300	Widows Fund 7,809	.11
	Board of Publication a n d Bible-school Work 4,458 (Equals 1¼%)	.06
		<hr/> \$369,178

Had our Board met the same response from the Church our financial condition would be secure. The Synod has committed to our Board in recent years greatly increased responsibility in educational and publishing interests vital to denominational progress. The time is ripe for another endowment campaign. It is for this Synod of 1918 to sound the call to the churches to give this Board the five cents on the dollar in the distribution of the benevolence of the local church. Had that proportion come from all our churches during the past year our financial condition would have been full of cheer both to the Synod and to the Board. The Board stands ready to carry out every action of the General Synod, and none more important at this time than the summoning of the Reformed Churches to their task of financially equipping the Board of Publication and Bible-school Work.

LOOKING AHEAD.

General Synod acknowledges that in June, 1917, it placed largely increased burdens upon the Board of Publication and Bible-school Work, and it gratefully recognizes the efforts that the Board has made to carry them all. It regrets that its recommendation to the churches was not better observed, and it realizes that without substantial assistance from the Church at large the Board cannot be expected to carry on the work which General Synod has given it to do.

That the publication of *The Christian Intelligencer* has been at a loss of \$5,000 for the year. This of course is beyond the ability of the Board to pay in addition to the other charges which it has to meet for the Evangelistic Committee and for the very excellent work of the Educational Secretary.

The experience of the past year has shown that three years at least will be required to obtain the recognition for this Board from the Church at large which it needs and without which it cannot go on. General Synod feels that the regular work of the Board ought not to be imperiled by continuing the publication of *The Christian Intelligencer* beyond the safety limit. The Church at large has not given the support to the Board during the past year which General Synod in 1917 decreed it should have.

Five per cent. of the benevolences of our Church during the past year would amount to over \$20,000. The amount which the Board has received from the churches and Bible schools is \$5,174, which is an increase over 1917 by about \$500. The expenses of *The Intelligencer* since July 1st amount to \$12,790, while the receipts amount to \$7,838, showing a deficit of \$5,000, to meet which the Church at large provided us with \$500 over previous years. The Board also suffered a loss of about \$245.79 in its general business.

These facts should be made known to General Synod at this time. Estimating the receipts for the coming four months on the basis of previous years and providing that no special contribution is made to the Board, there will be

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no money on October 1st with which to pay salaries or expenses; and further we will be obliged to pay our proportion of the new Reformed Church Hymnal in the amount of at least \$2,000 on or about November 1st, which is an initial payment of 5,000 copies.

SUGGESTIVE ACTION.

Resolution 1. In view of the enlarging work of our Board, as committed to us from preceding Synods, and in case of favorable action of this Synod in committing to us The Christian Intelligencer, your Board feels constrained to ask the Church through the Synod for \$20,000 as the least amount adequate for the work of the coming year.

Resolution 2. That the Consistories of all our churches in apportioning the budget of benevolences for the coming year be enjoined to give this Board five cents of every dollar contributed to the Boards of our Church as a fair proportion for the work of this Board.

Resolution 3. That the Board again calls attention to its facilities for supplying to churches, Bible Schools and Young People's Societies the equipment needed for the maintenance of their various lines of work, and urges all the churches, schools and Young People's societies to communicate with our Business Department before ordering such supplies.

Resolution 4. That the Synod set apart a Sunday for the presentation of the claims of this Board in all of our churches. We suggest to the Synod the third Sunday in October, to be known as Educational Day.

Resolution 5. The Board of Publication is authorized to secure from any Board of the Church, if possible, and when necessary during the coming year, an amount not exceeding \$6,000. Failing in this or some other method of securing \$6,000, the expected deficiency of 1918 and 1919, the Board is authorized and instructed by General Synod to take such measures for its own security and continuance as may be necessary.

Resolution 6. General Synod urges the necessity of a defi-

nite agreement for a merger of The Christian Intelligencer with The Leader, which agreement might be effected subject to present contracts for printing and paper which are outstanding.

Resolution 7. That it be very essential that individual churches support our denominational church paper, The Christian Intelligencer, by both generously securing subscribers among the members of the church, and especially that each member of the consistory be a subscriber, and that churches briefly report for publication all interesting activities.

Also the following relating to the work of the Department of Religious Education:

Resolution 1. In co-operation with the denominations making a Teacher Training Drive this fall, we urge every school to conduct such a class.

Resolution 2. That our schools work and pray more earnestly for the salvation of the young and their membership in the Christian Church.

Resolution 3. That we encourage the members of the Young People's Societies to think of their Society as the Training School of the Church, and to make use of the best methods and material to prepare themselves for service.

The terms of the following members expire at this time, and their successors should be chosen:

Rev. Oscar M. Voorhees, D. D., Mr. Robert H. Robinson,

" Andrew Hageman, Mr. Robert C. Baird,

" Willard Dayton Brown, " William F. Ryerson,

" Andrew J. Meyer, " H. Jasper Holt,

" Paul P. Cheff, " H. F. Standerwick.

The Board records with sorrow the death of one of its members, Mr. George C. Morgan, of Little Neck, N. Y., whose long service of nearly twenty-five years was marked by faithful attendance at our meetings, and earnest interest in all the affairs of the Board.

The return of Dr. Paul S. Leinbach to our Sister Reformed Church as Editor-in-Chief of its denominational pa-

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per, The Reformed Church Messenger, was a distinct loss to our Board, and his place was filled by the election of our former Educational Secretary, Rev. Theodore F. Bayles. The absence also of three of our members, Rev. George D. Hulst, Rev. Joseph R. Sizoo and Mr. Harry A. Kinports, doing Y. M. C. A. War Service, diminished in a measure our working force and trusted counselors.

The vacancy in the membership expiring in 1920, due to the death of Mr. George C. Morgan should be filled by the Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

I. W. GOWEN,
Corresponding Secretary.

REPORT OF THE BUSINESS DEPARTMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1918

TO THE BOARD:

It is a pleasure at the completion of our business year to present to the Board our annual report to date. The principle of desire to serve our churches and schools in every way possible will continue to be the general policy. We request our churches and schools to use to the fullest extent the facilities of their Board for supplying their needs.

SALES.

The total net sales for year, \$47,023.29.

In periodical sales there has been a gain of \$1,330.17.

In book sales there has been a gain of \$1,111.32.

Church and Bible-school supplies have decreased \$4,768.08.

The falling off on the year's sales ending April 30, 1918, is \$2,326.59. The net deficit, including that of The Christian Intelligencer, is \$5,256.71 for the year ending April 30, 1918. We attribute the falling off in sales to the fact that the new Reformed Church Hymnal, being published in cooperation with the Sunday School Board of Philadelphia, has been announced and not published. Many inquiries have come to us relative to the publication date of the hymnal and the churches are awaiting for its appearance before deciding upon a new book or restocking additional copies of the books now in use. Then again, our Christmas business was affected indirectly by the many appeals made to our churches and schools by the War Relief Funds which have necessitated economy on their part.

While there is rejoicing over that which has been attained, yet there is a large opportunity for more of our churches and schools to purchase their entire supplies from their own Board.

CHILDREN'S DAY.

The Children's Day Service, "The Glory of Childhood" of which we have an edition of ten thousand copies is being

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met with wonderful success. Copies are given in exchange for an offering or purchased outright.

CHRISTIAN INTELLIGENCER.

Your attention is called to the itemized account of The Christian Intelligencer, which will be found on another page, showing a deficit of five thousand and ten dollars and ninety-two cents (\$5,010.92) for the year ending April 30, 1918.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

On another page of the report will be found a detailed list of contributions which show about 13½% increase over last year. For this we give thanks to all those who have been permitted to have a share in it. When, however, even this gain is placed against the background of the judgment of General Synod of 1917 which enjoined the churches to assign to the Board at least 5% of their budgets of benevolences contributed for denominational objects, and asked the churches to contribute for the year \$20,000, it is evident that a larger opportunity presents itself to many more of our churches and Bible schools.

BENEVOLENCES.

The applications received this year for donations of hymn books, Bibles, etc., will be found on another page. They have been granted after careful investigation. These donations have proved most helpful in the upbuilding of our Reformed Church. The Board scarcely can appreciate the high value that has been placed upon these donations by the recipients.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT W. SIMINGTON,
Business Agent.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM

TO THE BOARD:

The year just closed, the third of our Committee's work, has been one of remarkable developments in which our Committee has had a worthy share. Our country had just entered the war when we prepared our report of a year ago. For this event our churches were not prepared, and when General Synod met in June the thought of organizing the churches for war service found little place in its discussions.

Our Committee soon saw that the Reformed Church would need to effect an organization if she were to do her part. Hence the proposition was made at our July meeting to assume the direction of the work for the time being. This proposal received the sanction of the Board, and during the summer plans were formulated. The location of Camp Merritt near our Reformed Church at Dumont, called for special work there, and also the selection of workers. In the support of this work we had the aid of the Board of Domestic Missions.

By a process of events, which we need not mention here in detail, our Committee was authorized to constitute a larger Committee, consisting of the Executive Committee of our Board, and leading ministers and laymen from the eastern section of the Church. The Chairman of our Committee was made Chairman of this larger Committee—the War Service Commission—that first through the Committee on Evangelism as its Executive Committee, and later through an independent Executive Committee, has carried on the work of stimulating and directing the War Service Work of our churches, has outlined a plan for the current calendar year that calls for an expenditure of about \$10,000, and has appealed to the churches to contribute this amount during May, 1918. The Treasurer of our Board is Treasurer of this fund, and its financial transactions will be reported in connection with our general work. The honor of

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inaugurating this most necessary and important work belongs to our Board through the action of the Committee on Evangelism. A report of the larger aspects of the work will be presented by the Secretary of the War Service Commission.

The Committee is glad to report that one of its members, Rev. Joseph R. Sizoo, has been laboring since January 1st in Y. M. C. A. work in France.

In view of the demands of War Service, the activities of our Committee along the ordinary lines have been somewhat curtailed. We have recommended ministers for Chaplaincies instead of for Evangelistic work.

Your Committee has kept in touch with the Classes through the Classical Committees on Evangelism, and has urged cooperation of the churches in Evangelistic endeavor. Thus far our work has been largely devoted to laying foundations. We believe, now that the foundations are well laid, that a definite program of evangelistic endeavor and definite goals should be indicated and connected to each classis for recommendation to the churches.

Your Committee stands ready heartily to promote such an undertaking, and invites the support of the Board and the authorization of the Synod in the carrying out of these plans.

We recognize the value of the action of the Synod of 1917 in placing "Evangelism" upon the blanks on which the churches send in their reports to the Classes, as one of the purposes for which contributions should be made. Hence we suggest that the attention of the churches be called to this necessary work as a worthy object of benevolence.

We offer the following resolutions:

1. That the Synod authorize the Committee on Evangelism to present to the Classes goals of endeavor, to be commended to the churches, the cooperation of churches being encouraged in their attainment.

2. That we commend the work initiated by our Committee on Evangelism, fostered by our Board and developed into the organization of the War Service Commission, and

suggest that the Synod give the War Service Commission official standing, and provide for its continuance and maintenance, at least until the conclusion of the war.

3. That while we include the report of the War Service Commission in our report, we recommend that it be presented separately to Synod with the suggestion that it be presented to the Committee on Overtures rather than to the standing Committee on the Board of Publication and Bible School Work.

4. That we invite definite contributions from our churches for the cause of Evangelism, that our Committee may be properly financed without drawing on the resources of the Board, all such contributions, however, to be sent to the Treasurer of our Board as heretofore.

Respectfully submitted,

OSCAR M. VOORHEES,
Chairman.

REPORT OF THE WAR SERVICE COMMISSION

The story of the inception of war service work, and the steps that led up to the organization of this Commission are given in the report of the Committee on Evangelism. That Committee took the initial steps in war service in July, 1917, and, with the sanction of the President of Synod and the approval of the Board of Publication and Bible-School Work, fostered the work until on October 22nd the first meeting of the Committee of Fifty was held. Rev. Oscar M. Voorhees was chosen chairman and Rev. Abram Duryee, secretary. A report of the work done up to that time was presented and approved, and the Committee gladly accepted responsibility for it, took it over, and discussed the policy that should govern it in carrying it forward. It was voted to assume the name of the War Service Commission of the Reformed Church in America. While the field of responsibility was in the East, helpful cooperation with the churches in the West was offered.

It was resolved to take up work at Dumont, N. J., in connection with that one of our Reformed Churches nearest to the large Embarkation Camp Merritt and to invite Messrs. Robert W. Searle and George Steininger of the middle class in the New Brunswick Seminary to go to Dumont at once and do what the situation seemed to require. The need was acute because the pastor of the Dumont Church, Rev. Charles W. Gulick, was serving as a chaplain in the United States Army and was with his regiment in Alabama. The men were to work by invitation of the Consistory both in the Church and in the Parish House for the soldiers. Mr. Searle continued in the work from November 1st, for six weeks, and then enlisted in the Ambulance Corps. Mr. Steininger continued until February 1st, and then felt constrained to resign that he might resume his work in the Theological Seminary.

The churches by means of a circular letter were invited to take up the local work vigorously by organizing Leagues for

Patriotic Service, and were requested to report the names of members who should enter the service. They were also offered a supply of Church Relations Cards that one might be sent to each of their men in the service.

Rapidly changing conditions and the inability of the Committee on Evangelism to carry on the work satisfactorily made a second meeting of the Commission necessary, and this was held on February 14th, 1918. An independent Executive Committee was chosen and encouraged to make large plans in co-operation so far as possible with the western churches. The Committee consists of Revs. W. I. Chamberlain, Thomas H. Mackenzie, John A. Ingham, and Abram Duryee; and Messrs. William T. Demarest, R. H. Robinson, and Harry A. Kinports, with Rev. Oscar M. Voorhees *ex officio*. Dr. W. I. Chamberlain was later made chairman and Rev. W. N. P. Dailey, loaned to us by the Collegiate Church for part time service, became Executive Secretary, office space being offered in the rooms of the Board of Foreign Missions. This Committee was convinced that more vigorous work was essential in view of the needs that had developed at Dumont and at other nearby camps. Rev. C. P. Case, of Poughkeepsie, was invited to go to Camp Merritt as Camp Pastor and take up the work with all possible vigor. Committees were appointed to inquire what work might need to be done at Camp Upton on Long Island, at Camp Dix near Trenton, and at the Raritan Ordnance Depot near New Brunswick.

At Camp Upton it was resolved to co-operate by sharing the cost of the Inter-church building that had already been erected.

A Budget of \$10,000 was deemed necessary for present expenditures and it was resolved to appeal to the churches to contribute that amount during May. A folder telling of the work was printed and sent to all pastors, and to the Classes, inviting their approval and co-operation. The response of the Classes has been quite general although the amount thus far received is small. The items of the budget are as follows:

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For Camp Upton Inter-Church Chapel Bldg....	\$3,000
For Camp Pastors and Maintenance at Camp Merritt	2,000
For Camp Pastor at Camp Dix.....	1,200
For Camp Pastor at Camp Upton.....	1,200
For Camp Pastor at Raritan, N. J., Ordnance Dept.	1,200
For Administration Expenses	500
Incidentals and other Unforeseen Expenses.....	900
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	\$10,000

All the work of the Commission has been done in active co-operation with other agencies such as the Y. M. C. A., the Red Cross, and the General War-Time Commission of the Churches. The latter organization has been given general oversight in the matter of recommending ministers to the government for chaplaincies, and we have sent a recommendation for each applicant, thus endeavoring to secure the appointment of a proper proportion of Reformed Church chaplains. The number of applications has thus far been below the quota assigned to our Church.

The Commission appointed Rev. Clifford P. Case, D. D., of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., and Permanent Clerk of General Synod to the Camp Pastorate at Camp Merritt, near our Dumont, N. J., Church, and he began work there on April 8th, last, and will continue it for several months. This is the largest embarkation camp in the country, and Mr. Case has had wonderful opportunities to give the last home touch to many of the thousands of men.

Rev. Edgar Tilton, Jr., D. D., of New York, was made Camp Pastor at the U. S. Base Hospital No. 1 at Fordham Heights, N. Y., and Rev. Orville E. Fisher, of Brooklyn, was assigned to the U. S. Naval Reserve Base 609, Bensonhurst, and at the U. S. Naval Armory at 52d Street, Brooklyn, N. Y. Rev. Sartell Prentice, Nyack, N. Y., was recommended to the Red Cross and will act as one of its chaplains in France. The two chaplains in our army, Capt. Jas. Osse-

waarde, Alcatroz, Cal., and 1st Lieut. Melvin V. Oggel, of Presidio, Cal., and Acting Chaplain John H. S. Putnam, of the U. S. Navy, have been instructed to call upon the Commission for any aid it can give.

From the General War-Time Commission has come a proposition to make it possible for men in the field who are led to confess Christ to become full members of their home churches by having their confession of faith certified to Pastors and Consistories by Chaplains or other ordained workers, with a statement as to the baptism of the candidate and his participation in the Lord's Supper. We suggest that Synod approve this method of consummating church membership during the continuance of the war that the men who are led to Christ may have the benefit of the interest and prayers of the home church.

We ask, furthermore, that General Synod recognize and consider the work that has been undertaken by the War Time Commission and give it both official standing as well as providing for its continuance and maintenance during the period of the war.

A list of the men and women of our Reformed Church in America, so far as is known, who are doing definite war service is appended to this report.

N. Y., May 30, 1918.

W. N. P. DAILEY,

WM. I. CHAMBERLAIN,

Executive Sec'y.

Ch'n Executive Committee.

ARMY AND NAVY CHAPLAINS.

1.—Putnam, Rev. John S., Philadelphia, Pa., on the "Seattle," Navy Dept., Washington, D. C.

2.—Ossewaarde, Rev. James, Classis Michigan, 21st Infantry, Alcatroz, Cal.

3.—Oggel, Rev. M. V., New Paltz, N. Y., 63d Inf., Presidio, Cal.

4.—Van Zanten, Rev. John W., Metuchen, N. J. Application pending.

5.—Irish, Rev. Edward B., New York. In Chaplain's School, Camp Taylor, Louisville, Ky.

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6.—Brinckerhoff, Rev. J. H., New Brighton, S. I., Acting Chaplain, Navy.

7.—Adams, Rev. Thomas, Harrington Park, N. J. Application pending.

8.—Bloom, Rev. Walter S., Garfield, N. J. Application pending.

RED CROSS CHAPLAIN.

1.—Prentice, Rev. Sartell, Nyack, N. Y. About to go to France.

CAMP PASTORS.

1.—Case, Rev. Dr. Clifford P., Poughkeepsie, N. Y. Camp Merritt, Dumont, N. J.

2.—Tilton, Rev. Edgar, Jr., New York. General Hospital, No. 1, Fordham Heights, N. Y.

3.—Van der Laan, Mr. W. P., Battle Creek, Mich. Camp Custer.

4.—Fisher, Rev. Orville E., Brooklyn, N. Y., U. S. Naval Reserve Base, Bensonhurst, Brooklyn.

Y. M. C. A.

1.—Bagoe, Miss Helen, New York. Base Hospital, France.

2.—Bird, Rev. Addison C., Poughkeepsie, N. Y. Kelly Field, San Antonio, Texas.

3.—Brouwer, Rev. Jacob G., Grandville, Mich. Camp McArthur, Waco, Texas.

4.—Brown, Rev. J. Alexander, Grand Rapids, Mich. Camp Doniphan, Ft. Sill, Okla.

5.—Cobb, Rev. Dr. H. E., New York. Camp Lee, Petersburg, Va.

6.—Conger, Rev. Alexander M., New Hackensack, N. Y.

7.—Dangremond, Rev. A. C. V., Beacon, N. Y.

8.—Duddy, Rev. Frank E., Poughkeepsie, N. Y. France.

9.—Gulick, Rev. Chas. W., Dumont, N. J. Camp Mills, Garden City, L. I.

10.—Hulst, Rev. George D., Montclair, N. J. Camp Upton, Yaphank, L. I.

11.—Jones, Dr. J. Addison, Albany, N. Y. In France.

12.—Jonker, Rev. Philip, Hudson, N. Y. Camp Dix, Wrightstown, N. J.

13.—Kinports, Mr. Harry A., New York. Camp Lee. Petersburg, Va.

14.—Mabon, Rev. Arthur F., New York. France.

15.—Murphy, Rev. Harry W., New York. Camp Mills, Garden City, L. I.

16.—Pauells, Mr. A. J., Grand Rapids, Mich. Camp McArthur, Waco, Texas.

17.—Poppen, Rev. Henry, Holland, Mich. Camp McArthur, Waco, Texas.

18.—Ralston, Rev. Edward S., Plainfield, N. J. Fort Sill, Okla.

19.—Sizoo, Rev. Joseph, Somerville, N. J. France.

20.—Voorhees, Ralph, New York. Camp Merritt, Tena-fly, N. J.

21.—Vruwink, Rev. Henry A., Camp Custer, Battle Creek, Mich.

22.—Payne, Geo. Hardy, Paterson, N. J.

23.—Muste, Rev. C. B., Amsterdam, N. Y.

24.—Park, Rev. Chas., D. D., Rutherford, N. J. France.

25.—Allen, Rev. Henry B., Ridgefield, N. J.

26.—Shields, Rev. F. K., New Brunswick, N. J. Raritan Ordnance Dept.

27.—Caton, Rev. J. Collings, Paterson, N. J. France.

WAR SERVICE OF THE REFORMED CHURCH.

From every one of our churches young men have gone or will soon go to join the great army which our country is sending to help in the struggle between democracy and autocracy. These are our boys, and so far as it is possible to do so, it is our duty to keep in touch with them during the

period when, in camp or cantonment, they are in training for the sacrificial service which they are offering for freedom. The individual churches are doing something by keeping in correspondence with their men, but something more is necessary; the Church should follow the men as they join the colors, standing ready to minister to them when they are far from home; to offer them not only the stated services which are provided in most cases by chaplains in the camps, but also the pastoral care which is the more acceptable and welcome when it is rendered by a representative of our own household of faith.

It so happens that a great many of the men who go into the army from our eastern churches find their way either to Camp Upton on Long Island, or to Camp Dix in New Jersey. Camp Merritt, also in New Jersey, which is an embarkation point for soldiers from all parts of the country, has always a great many men from Reformed Churches. These three camps, all of them near centers of our denominational strength, seem to present to us our primary responsibility for service to the soldiers in this eastern section of our Church. One other station falls within our responsibility, because of its proximity to a number of our churches; it is the Raritan (N. J.) Ordnance Depot, not far from New Brunswick.

How is the Reformed Church to meet its responsibility for the spiritual care of our men in these military centers? In almost every Protestant denomination there has been organized a War Service Commission, and thousands upon thousands of dollars have been raised for the purpose of providing buildings for the work of the churches in and near the many camps now established in our country, and for the providing of the right spiritual leadership for the men. This is not a service that either parallels or competes with the splendid work of the Y. M. C. A. Much of the work of the churches is done outside of the camps, where the men "on leave" are saved from temptations by the provision of recreation and social centers, under the auspices of the Church,

with friendly counsel, and, so far as it is possible to provide it, an atmosphere of the Christian home.

The Reformed Church also has its War Service Commission, and in the name of our Church it has accepted its responsibility for service to the young men in the four military centers named. The Rev. Dr. Clifford P. Case, pastor of the Reformed Church at Poughkeepsie, has secured a leave of absence from his church at the solicitation of the Commission, and is already at work among the boys at Camp Merritt, N. J., where the Church House of the Reformed Church at Dumont has been turned over to the Commission for this service. Other appointments are to be made for Camp Upton, Camp Dix, and the Raritan Ordnance Depot. At Camp Upton our Commission is co-operating in the cost of erecting an Inter-church Building, where the work of all the Christian churches will center. This building has been erected at a cost of \$38,000, of which amount the Reformed Church has agreed to furnish \$3,000.

Headquarters of the Commission have been established at 25 East 22nd Street, New York, where a large amount of work is being done, including correspondence between the various co-operating Church bodies, the Y. M. C. A., the Reformed Churches and the men in the field. The Church is under no expense for this office service of the Commission since its Executive Secretary, the Rev. W. N. P. Dailey, is released for part time service by the Marble Collegiate Church, where he is assistant to the Rev. Dr. David J. Burrell; and stenographic and other office work is donated by the mission boards.

But the work in the camps cannot be done without cost. When pastors are released by their churches for this service the Commission must provide funds with which their pulpits may be supplied; in some cases there are unusual living expenses near the camps; something must be provided for the care and upkeep of buildings that are used. We co-operate with other churches, but we must bear our part of the cost. The churches of the Particular Synod of Chicago are maintaining work in several of the western camps and they are

bearing the expense of this service without calling upon the eastern churches for aid. The churches of the three eastern synods can do no less.

The War Service Commission has made careful estimate of the cost of maintaining service in the four camps mentioned above for one year, including the \$3,000 promised for the Church Headquarters at Camp Upton, and finds that the Budget-calls for \$10,000, and it has been decided to ask the churches of the East to provide this amount during the month of May, 1918, which is a season when no other denominational appeals are being presented. The Commission suggests that each church shall contribute for this work at least five per cent. of the amount it gave to denominational benevolence last year; this percentage being adapted so that each church may know what is its actual share in this service. Most of the churches, it is confidently believed, will "Go over the top" as they realize that for most of them this is the only way that they may co-operate in this Reformed Church War Service, and as pastors and people get the vision of the tremendous opportunity and heavy responsibility that are theirs.

Each church will decide for itself the means to be used in raising its quota of this denominational War Budget of \$10,000. The Commission suggests that each church shall make its offering on some one Sunday in the month of May, and that all contributions be sent to the War Service Commission, 25 East 22nd Street, New York, on or before May 31st, 1918.

WM. I. CHAMBERLAIN,
THOS. C. MACKENZIE,
JOHN. A. INGHAM,
ABRAM DURYEE,
WM. T. DEMAREST,
R. H. ROBINSON,
HARRY A. KINPORTS,
Executive Committee.

W. N. P. DAILEY, Executive Secretary.
JOHN F. CHAMBERS, Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE EDUCATIONAL SECRETARY

The eight months which have elapsed since your present Educational Secretary came to the office have been spent in building upon the foundation so well laid by my predecessor Rev. Theo. F. Bayles. So varied and valuable are the interests of this Department and so fundamental are they to the life and growth of the Church that it has taken some time for your Secretary to find and fit himself to the task. War Service, Relief Work, and other interests have pressed their claims upon the Secretary, who has tried to help whenever his duties along the line of Religious Education would permit. No man is qualified to give helpful advice in any Department of Religious Education unless he has taken time to think his way through it. He must meet with leading educators to get their viewpoint, and must visit the Churches, Schools and Young Peoples' Societies to know their definite needs. These things your Secretary has been doing.

The work has been made very enjoyable because of the very hearty cooperation of the members of our Board, and the warm reception given by the Churches.

INTERDENOMINATIONAL CO-OPERATION.

The Educational Secretary is a member of the Sunday School Council of Evangelical Denominations in the United States and Canada, the International Lesson Committee, and The Interdenominational Young People's Societies' Commission. These organizations provide the educational material for our Bible Schools and Young People's Societies.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION.

The new demands made upon our young men have accentuated the importance of religious or Christian education. This is the work to which most prayer and care must be given.

a. Bible Schools. It has been our aim to introduce or promote the best methods of instruction and furnish the most helpful material. The goals given to the schools for the year ending April 30th, 1918, have been retained. They were: 75% average attendance, and more of our pupils won for Jesus Christ.

By means of correspondence and personal visits, and through seven communications to all the schools of the denomination this office has kept in touch with the Bible Schools.

Schools qualifying in all ten points in the Standard of Efficiency, and which have not received an Honor Diploma, will be awarded one on Children's Day.

Schools qualifying in eight or more points will receive a diploma for points covered.

Only 634 schools have reported this year, rendering the report valueless for comparison. Our report includes only the schools reporting to us. These report 10,617 Officers and Teachers; 110,493 Pupils.

On November 17th, 1917, a letter was sent from this office requesting the Bible Schools to forego their usual Christmas candy and give the money to the suffering Armenians and Syrians. There was a hearty response and more than four thousand dollars were sent to the American Committee on Armenian and Syrian Relief in New York City.

b. Young People's Societies. The multiplicity of names held by the Young People's Societies reveals a lack of co-ordination and high objective. It appears that in many places the young people organize simply for social ends, and fail to realize that the Young People's Society should be a training school of the Church. Much attention should be given by your Secretary to this part of the work in the coming months. The following statistics will be of interest: Senior C. E. members, 9,969; Intermediate 1,234; Junior 2,696; other organizations and membership: Young People's Societies 2,404; Mission Band 672; Young Woman's Missionary Society 627; Young Men's Society 667; King's Daughters 196; Girl's Clubs 610; Boy's Clubs 208;

Boy Scouts 1,173; Girl Scouts 347; Camp Fire Girls 375; Brotherhood of Andrew and Philip 414; and many others with smaller memberships.

The number of young men answering the call to the colors has depleted the working ranks in the local churches, but is increasing the churches' possibilities.

c. Catechetical Classes. There seems to be an increasing interest in this important method of instruction in our Reformed Church. We are seeing the need today for the development of strong Christian characters. The schools reporting give a total of 16,071 pupils enrolled in Catechetical Classes, and from the Bible Schools and Catechetical Classes 3,892 united with the church.

d. Junior Congregations. Very few reports mention the Junior Congregation. Probably, in a far greater number of churches the pastor preaches a sermonette to the children as a part of the regular worship.

The objectives for the year April 1, 1918, to April 1, 1919, are:

1. A Teacher Training Drive in the fall.
2. More pupils won for Jesus Christ and His Church.
3. The Young People's Society made a real Training School of the Church.

MISSIONARY EDUCATION AND EVANGELISM.

The report of The Joint Committee of the Missionary Education Department will be found in another part of the Board's Report, and is worthy of most careful study. If the Church of the future is to be a Missionary Church the children of today must have missionary education. The first two books in the Graded Course of Lessons "Primary Mission Stories" and "Junior Mission Stories" are receiving the highest commendation wherever tested.

As Executive Secretary of the Committee on Evangelism your Secretary is in a position to promote the Evangelistic spirit and service of the Church, and especially among the young people who will be the leaders in the not distant future.

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OFFICE DUTIES.

The increasing correspondence and the number of personal interviews show the growing interest in Christian Education today. We welcome the letter or personal visit from the leaders in the work for the young in our Churches.

LITERARY CONTRIBUTIONS.

Your Secretary contributes regularly to five periodicals, and as far as possible reads the proof sheets of the material which goes into our schools.

FIELD WORK.

This is an important part of our duties as it enables us to study the successful Bible Schools and Young People's Societies, and to give help to those needing it. More invitations are received than can be accepted. The Field Work for the eight months has been as follows: Classes 6; Bible School Conventions 3; Bible Classes 7; Conferences 12; Special Addresses 15; Young People's Societies 12; Particular Synod 1; Bible Schools 24; Churches 34. Total 114.

CONCLUSION.

We are not alone in believing that there should be a greater coordination in the work of our Church, and a more definite objective. With gratitude to God for His guidance in the past, we lift a prayer for His blessing on the Christian Education of the young.

Respectfully submitted,

ABRAM DURYEE,
Educational Secretary.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MISSIONARY EDUCATION

The Committee on Missionary Education has carried forward the plans announced to the boards a year ago, and takes pleasure in now reporting the publication, about January 1st, 1918, of two missionary story books for Primary and Junior grades in the Bible School. These two books, both written by Miss Margaret T. Applegarth under the direction of this Committee, have been received with the warmest commendation, not only in our own churches, but by those interested in Missionary Education in other denominations. The books were published at the expense of this Committee by the Board of Publication and Bible School Work, and already about one-half of the first Edition has been sold. It is conceded by leaders of missionary education in most of the denominations that no better method of presenting missionary fundamentals to little children has ever been presented than is found in these books. The Reformed Church through them, has taken a place of leadership in this endeavor. Everyone of our churches and Bible Schools should be glad to use this exceptional opportunity of teaching missions to children in the school and in the home.

The Committee regrets that the course of twenty-four Missionary Travelogues, constituting its series of lessons for Intermediate grades in the Bible School is not yet published. Much of the work of preparation has been done, and it is expected that this course will be available for the use of schools by the early fall. Each of these travelogues will be illustrated by an attractive poster in colors, for wall display, and suitable for permanent adornment of the school or class room.

It is expected that the two mission study books for senior and adult grades, one on denominational Home Missions and one on Foreign, will be written during the coming summer and be published not later than January 1st, 1919.

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The planning and preparation of this Mission Study material has occupied a great deal of the time of the Committee, whose members all occupy places of responsibility with their several boards. Under the circumstances the work could not have been pushed to completion in the time originally contemplated. The matter is too important for haste, and it is believed that the Church will patiently await the completion of what the Committee sincerely believes will be recognized as a model system of graded missionary instruction.

For the Committee,

WM. T. DEMAREST,
Chairman.

DONATIONS

- 50 Chapel HymnalCentral College.
- 50 Hymns of W. and S. (Chapel) Sunnyside (L. I.) Church.
 Bible School HelpsTyndall (Avon, S. D.) Church.
 Bible School HelpsMuskegon (Mich.) Church.
- 8 Corwin's Manual|New Brunswick Seminary.
 8 Digest |
- 1 Chalice Holder & Cover.....Zion, G. Rapids (Mich.) Church.
- 11 DigestWestern Theological Seminary.
 1 Digest |New Brunswick Seminary.
 1 Corwin's Manual|
- 40 Christian PraiseKechy Mission (Ia.).
 1 Minute BookValley Springs (S. D.) Church.
 1 Church RecordUpper Ridgewood Community
 Church, New Brunswick, N. J.
- 200 Sunday School Hymnal.....Ferris Theological Seminary, Yokohama, Japan.
- 60 Hymns of W. & S.....Rochelle Park (N. J.) Church.
- 25 Church HymnaryArabian Mission, Busrah.
 Bible School HelpsTrinity, Grand Rapids (Mich.)
 School.
- 1 Church RecordValley Springs (S. D.) Church.
- 200 AlleluiaDumont (N. J.) Church.
- 25 Hymns of W. & S.....Beverly (Mich.) Church.
- 30 Gospel Hymns 1-6.....Rev. A. Klerk, Spokane, Wash.
 Bible School HelpsIndian Mission, Dulce (N. M.)
- 38 Italian Hymn BooksItalian Mission, Hackensack, N. J.
 Bible School HelpsWinnebago Indian Mission.
- 100 Hymns of W. & S.....St. Thomas, Virgin Islands Church.
- 1 Wooden Communion Service, Sunnyside (L. I.) Church.

CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED MAY 1, 1917, TO APRIL 30, 1918

CHURCHES, MISSION SOCIETIES, ETC.

CLASSIS OF ALBANY.

Albany, 1st	\$25 00
Albany, 4th	5 00
Albany, 6th	14 75
Clarksville	52
Delmar, 2nd Bethlehem	2 50
Jerusalem	5 00
Knox	1 00
New Baltimore	2 83
New Salem	1 33
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	\$57 93

CLASSIS OF GERMANIA.

Clara City, Bethany ..	\$32 15
Davis, Bethel	5 00
Dell Rapids, Logan	5 00
Dempster	3 00
George, Hope	5 00
Little Rock, Salem....	5 00
Sibley	3 51
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	\$58 66

CLASSIS OF BERGEN.

Bogart Memorial, Bogota, N. J.	\$6 84
Closter	10 96
Dumont, Schraalenburgh	21 56
Hackensack, 1st	12 00
Harrington Park	8 38
Hasbrouck Heights....	20 00
Oradell	9 31
Rochelle Park	5 00
Westwood	25 64
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	\$119 69

SOUTH CLASSIS OF BERGEN

Bayonne, 1st	\$20 00
Bayonne, 3rd	2 00
Bayonne, 5th St.	41 98
Jersey City, 1st Van Vorst	26 79
Jersey City, Bergen ..	58 99
Jersey City, Lafayette..	12 18
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CLASSIS OF CASCADES.

Big Timber, Hope....	\$2 37
Lynden	16 11
Manhattan	5 22
Monarch	7 00
North Yakima	5 00
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	\$35 70

CLASSIS OF DAKOTA.

Armour, Grand View ..	\$7 00
Aurora	2 00
Harrison	8 85
Maurice, American	3 00
North Marion	5 00
Orange City	27 20
Platte, Charles Mix....	5 00
Springfield, Emanuel...	19 70
Strasburg	5 00
Twin Brooks	1 00
Junior Catechumens, Litchville	1 00
Ladies' Aid Society, Sandham Memorial, Monroe	10 00
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	\$94 75

CLASSIS OF GRAND RIVER.

Coopersville	\$3 00
Decatur	2 00
Detroit, First	5 00
Fremont	14 87
Grand Rapids, 3rd	8 50
Grand Rapids, 4th	10 00
Grand Rapids, 5th	11 25
Grand Rapids, 7th	3 00
Grand Rapids, 9th	5 00
Grand Rapids, Beverly.	3 67
Grandville	5 00
Kalamazoo, 1st	5 00
Kalamazoo, 3rd	4 00
Kalamazoo, 4th	3 00
Kalamazoo, Twin Lakes	3 50
Muskegon, 3rd	4 00
New Era	4 00
Spring Lake	12 80
Edna L. Niemeyer, Cradle Roll Dept., Kalamazoo	25
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	\$107 84

CLASSIS OF GREENE.

Athens	\$5 00
Catskill	22 83
Coxsackie, 1st	5 90
Coxsackie, 2nd	3 21
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CLASSIS OF HOLLAND.

Beaverdam	\$3 00
Cleveland, Calvary	6 27
Hamilton, 1st	11 90
Holland, 1st	13 66
Holland, 3rd	6 30
Holland, Ebenezer	8 00
Jamestown, 1st Hudsonville	29 75
North Holland	15 00
South Blendon	4 53
Vriesland	2 70
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CLASSIS OF HUDSON.

Claverack	\$3 25
Germantown	2 00
Hudson	10 61

Linlithgo, Livingston	
Memorial	8 30
Mellenville	9 50
Philmont	23 67
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CLASSIS OF ILLINOIS.

Chicago, Bethany	\$5 00
Chicago, North Western	2 00
Chicago, Trinity	7 39
Fairview	2 00
Spring Lake, Manito ..	1 00
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CLASSIS OF IOWA.

Alvord	\$4 15
Archer	5 00
Boyden	30 60
Chandler	3 00
Doon, 1st	6 02
Edgerton	9 50
Holland	24 00
Hospers	5 00
Hull	29 73
Ireton	5 00
Leota, Bethel	10 50
Matlock	2 00
Maurice	23 76
Middleburg, Free Grace	15 00
Orange City, 1st	10 00
Pella	13 00
Rock Valley	19 16
Rock Valley, Carmel...	48 49
Rock Rapids	4 50
Roseland	13 97
Sanborn, 1st Holland ..	4 28
Sandstone, 1st	3 10
Sheldon	15 00
Silver Creek, Maple Lake	18 00
Sioux Center, 1st	30 00
Steen	9 31
Volga	2 07
Jr. Catechumens, Alton.	4 00
Catechumens, Prairie	
View, Luctor	5 00
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	\$373 14

CLASSIS OF KINGSTON.

Accord, Rochester	2 50
High Falls, Clove	76
Hurley	8 00
Kingston, Fair St.	3 73
Stone Ridge, Marbletown	6 00
Tillson, Rosendale	
Plains	2 01
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	\$23 00

NORTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND.

Astoria, 1st	\$9 71
Astoria, German 2nd ..	2 41
Brooklyn, Kent St.	4 82
Brooklyn, South Bush-	
wick	11 15
College Point	36 19
Glen Head, Oyster Bay	5 00
Jamaica, 1st	24 65
Long Island City, 1st..	3 00

Long Island City, Sun-	
nyside	1 00
Manhasset, North Hemp-	
stead	7 50
New Hyde Park	5 00
Queens	5 50

\$115 93

SOUTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND.

Brooklyn, Bay Ridge..	\$20 00
Canarsie	5 00
Church on the Heights.	12 65
Edgewood	8 00
Flatbush, 1st	23 00
Flatlands	25 00
Forest Park	10 00
Grace	25 00
Herkimer St.	4 68
New Utrecht	10 00
Ocean Hill	5 08
Woodlawn	10 00
Mission Society, Bethany	7 50

\$165 91

CLASSIS OF MICHIGAN.

Grand Haven, 2nd	\$5 00
Grand Rapids, 2nd	17 57
Grand Rapids, Calvary	5 00
Grand Rapids, Grace..	20 00
Grand Rapids, Immanu-	
uel	10 00
Grand Rapids, Knapp	
Ave.	3 45
Grand Rapids, Trinity.	4 00
Hamilton, American...	13 19
Holland, Hope	35 28
Holland, Trinity	5 58
Kalamazoo, North Park	
Kalamazoo, 2nd	5 00
St.	8 52
Catechetical Classes.	
Grand Rapids, Bethel	3 00

\$135 59

CLASSIS OF MONMOUTH.

Asbury Park	\$1 85
Colt's Neck	5 00
Freehold, 1st	10 47
Freehold, 2nd	21 51
Keyport	6 00
Middletown	6 21

\$51 04

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY.

Amsterdam, 1st	\$7 44
Amsterdam, Trinity ...	2 43
Canajoharie	5 02
Fonda	11 19
Fort Plain	3 00
Fultonville	8 00
Hagaman	14 19
Lodi	5 00
Owasco	4 17
St. Johnsville	5 00
Sprakers	1 52
Syracuse, 2nd	5 00
Utica, Christ	2 39

\$74 35

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CLASSIS OF NEWARK.

Belleville	\$20 40
East Orange, Hyde Park	6 70
Linden	2 75
Montclair Heights	10 00
Newark, 1st German	3 00
Newark, Clinton Ave.	9 35
Newark, North	19 25
Newark, Trinity	80
Nutley, Franklin	10 00
Plainfield, Netherwood.	4 12
Plainfield, Trinity	3 40
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	\$89 77

CLASSIS OF NEW BRUNSWICK

Bound Brook	\$5 32
East Millstone	5 95
Franklin Park, Six Mile Run	8 23
Griggstown	5 25
Metuchen	24 84
New Brunswick, 1st	12 00
New Brunswick, 2nd	15 00
New Brunswick, Suydam St.	12 71
Perth Amboy	2 00
Spotswood	10 00
Christian Endeavor Society, Middlebush ..	5 00
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	\$106 30

CLASSIS OF NEW YORK.

68th St., German	\$5 00
Anderson Memorial	4 34
Bethany Memorial	5 00
Brighton Heights	15 00
Collegiate	234 72
Comforter	10 87
Grace	10 00
Hamilton Grange	28 70
Harlem	2 00
High Bridge	10 00
Knox Memorial	25 00
Melrose, German	3 00
Mott Haven	17 45
Port Richmond	39 90
West Farms	2 50
Zion, German	5 00
Christian Endeavor Society, Fourth German Missionary Society, 34th Street	10 00
Women's Missionary Society, Knox Memorial	5 00
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	\$443 48

CLASSIS OF ORANGE.

Ellenville	\$23 59
Grahamsville	2 00
Montgomery	8 40
Newburgh, American ..	10 35
New Hurley, Gardiner. .	1 00
Port Jervis, Deer Park. .	4 00
Port Jervis, West End. .	2 00
Wallkill	4 02
Wallkill, Shawangunk..	2 47
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	\$57 83

CLASSIS OF PALISADES.

Coytesville	\$2 68
Guttenberg	5 00
Jersey City, Central Av. .	24 95
New Durham, Grove. . .	50 00
North Bergen	5 00
West Hoboken, Hope ..	20 00
West New York, Trinity	5 00
Woodcliff	11 70
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	\$124 33

CLASSIS OF PARAMUS.

Athenia, Centerville ...	\$1 63
Clifton	25 15
Ho-Ho-Kus	2 00
Passaic, Acquackanock. .	88 88
Passaic, Holland 1st. . .	5 00
Passaic, North	49 46
Paterson, 1st Holland. .	25 00
Paterson, 2nd	30 00
Paterson, Broadway	10 00
Paterson, Covenant. . .	32 14
Piermont	7 00
Warwick	17 09
Upper Ridgewood Society	5 00
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	\$298 35

CLASSIS OF PASSAIC.

Little Falls, 1st	\$8 68
Little Falls, 2nd	3 00
Mountain Lakes	5 00
Paterson, 6th Holland. .	24 99
Paterson, Riverside	10 00
Paterson, People's Park ..	2 00
Paterson, Preakness	5 50
Paterson, Union	15 00
Wanaque	5 00
Miss E. Moore, Preakness ..	1 00
Rev. Geo. W. Labaw, Preakness	2 00
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	\$82 17

CLASSIS OF PELLA.

Eddyville, 1st	\$5 00
Leighton, Ebenezer ...	5 00
New Sharon, 1st	5 68
Otley	20 00
Pella, 1st	84 00
Pella, 2nd	10 00
Pella, 3rd	10 00
Pella, Bethel	6 25
Sully, Bethany	4 02
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	\$149 95

CLASSIS OF PHILADELPHIA.

Addisville	\$3 90
Blawenburgh	1 56
Philadelphia, 4th	13 44
Philadelphia, 5th	5 00
Philadelphia, Talmadge Memorial	15 00
Three Bridges	2 00
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	\$40 90

CLASSIS OF PLEASANT
PRAIRIE.

Alexander	\$3 23
Bristow	1 00
Buffalo Center	5 00
Chapin, Zion	2 00
Fairview	1 00
Forreston	20 00
German Valley, Silver Creek	5 00
Kings, Elim	4 00
Oregon, Ebenezer	10 00
Parkersburg	10 00
Titonka, Ramsay	5 00
Wellsburg	20 00
Young People's Society, Stout	11 55

\$97 78

CLASSIS OF POUGHKEEPSIE.

Beacon	29 63
Hopevell	23 66
New Hackensack	10 68
Poughkeepsie	17 29
Upper Red Hook	10 86

\$92 12

CLASSIS OF RARITAN.

High Bridge	\$8 53
Lebanon	5 13
North Branch	5 20
Raritan, 2nd Somerville	94 25
Raritan, 3rd Somerville	3 85
Readington	8 72
South Branch	4 00

\$129 68

CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER.

Blooming Grove	\$4 00
Castleton	5 00
Ghent, 1st	1 50
Ghent, 2nd	2 16
Greenbush	5 00
Stuyvesant	2 10

\$19 76

CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER.

Buffalo	\$5 00
Clymer, Abbe	8 00
Clymerhill	4 80
East Williamson	2 00
Marion, 1st	5 00
Marion, 2nd	13 83
Ontario	3 50
Pultneyville	3 00
Rochester, 1st	3 00
Rochester, 2nd	3 15
Rochester, Brighton	5 00
Williamson	4 83

\$61 11

CLASSIS OF SARATOGA.

Boght	\$3 00
Cohoes	4 70
Gansevoort	1 25
Greenwich	7 49
Watervliet, West Troy North	9 03

\$25 47

CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.

Altamont	\$2 00
Guilderland, Helderberg	6 70
Niskayuna	5 00
Schenectady, Mt. Pleasant	13 00
Schenectady, Woodlawn	1 62
Scotia	15 00
Griffis Missionary Soc., 1st Schenectady	4 00

\$47 32

CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE.

Cobleskill	\$8 10
Howes Cave, 2nd	3 25
Lawyersville	3 00
Schoharie	1 65
Sharon Center, N. Y....	2 00

\$18 00

CLASSIS OF ULSTER.

Kingston, 1st	\$8 85
Kingston, Comforter ..	15 00
Plattekill	3 18
Port Ewen	15 00
Saugerties	8 61
Saugerties, High Woods	1 70
Shokan	3 00
Rev. & Mrs. Geo. W. Gulick	5 00

\$60 34

CLASSIS OF WESTCHESTER.

Elmsford, Greenburgh..	\$10 00
Hawthorne	1 96
Mt. Vernon	2 47
Montrose, Cortlandtown	3 00
Peekskill, 1st Van Nest	5 00
Tarrytown, 1st	14 49
Yonkers, Mile Square..	2 00
Yonkers, Park Hill....	5 63

\$44 55

CLASSIS OF WISCONSIN.

Alto	\$5 00
Baldwin	10 50
Chicago, 1st	20 00
Chicago, Englewood 1st	5 00
Chicago, Gano	10 00
Erie, Newton	7 64
Friesland	11 00
Fulton, 2nd	3 20
Hingham	10 80
Indianapolis	3 00
Lansing	18 00
Milwaukee, 1st	13 82
Oostburg	15 00
Randolph	12 18
Ringle, Forrestville	3 06
Sheboygan, Hope	4 00
South Holland	5 00
Spring Valley	5 77
Thayer, DeMotte	14 74
Waupun	24 52
Christian Endeavor Soc., Gibbsville	8 00

\$210 23

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BIBLE SCHOOLS

CLASSIS OF ALBANY.

Albany, 6th	\$5 00
Clarksville	2 32
Coeymans	7 61
Delmar, Bethlehem	9 00
Feura Bush, Unionville	5 84
Westerlo	3 00
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	\$32 77

CLASSIS OF BERGEN.

Hackensack, 3rd	\$4 00
Harrington Park	5 00
North Hackensack	14 16
Westwood	6 00
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	\$29 16

CLASSIS OF SOUTH BERGEN.

Bayonne, 1st	\$13 86
Bayonne, 5th St.	10 00
Jersey City, 1st Van Vorst	7 73
Jersey City, 1st German Evangelical	5 00
Jersey City, Bergen....	4 48
Jersey City, Lafayette..	14 07
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	\$55 14

CLASSIS OF THE CASCADES.

North Yakima	\$5 00
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CLASSIS OF DAKOTA.

Corsica	\$5 00
Springfield	15 00
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	\$20 00

CLASSIS OF GERMANIA.

Lennox, Second	\$4 12
Little Rock, Salem	10 00
North Sibley	3 89
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	\$18 01

CLASSIS OF GRAND RIVER.

East Paris	\$4 27
Grand Rapids, Beverly..	9 35
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	\$13 62

CLASSIS OF GREENE.

Catskill	\$25 12
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CLASSIS OF HOLLAND.

Holland, 3rd	\$4 37
North Blendon	3 00
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	\$7 37

CLASSIS OF HUDSON.

Hudson	\$13 46
Linlithgo, Livingston	
Memorial	5 95
Mellenville	3 71
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	\$23 12

CLASSIS OF IOWA.

Hospers	\$10 00
Melvin	1 50
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	\$11 50

CLASSIS OF KINGSTON.

Bloomington, Bloomingdale	\$5 00
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NORTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND.

Astoria, German 2nd... ..	\$2 00
Brooklyn, South Bushwick	7 50
College Point	5 00
Elmhurst, Newtown ...	21 00
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	\$35 50

SOUTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND.

Brooklyn, Greenwood..	\$10 00
Brooklyn, New Utrecht..	30 25
Brooklyn, Ocean Hill...	2 50
Brooklyn, South	15 00
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CLASSIS OF MICHIGAN.

Grand Rapids, 1st.....	\$15 88
Grand Rapids, Bethany ..	5 00
Grand Rapids, Grace ..	15 53
Grand Rapids, Immanuel	10 00
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	\$46 41

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY.

Amsterdam, 1st	\$6 34
Amsterdam, Trinity....	10 77
Ephratah	2 50
Johnstown	3 40
Lodi	5 00
Stone Arabia	3 00
Utica, Christ	10 21
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CLASSIS OF NEWARK.

Belleville	\$2 52
Linden	17 00
Plainfield, Trinity	10 00
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	\$29 52

CLASSIS OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

Belle Mead, Pleasant View	\$5 00
Bound Brook	7 25
East Millstone	14 38
Griggstown	2 00
Middlebush	28 77
New Brunswick, 2nd... ..	10 00
Rocky Hill	2 50
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\$69 90	

CLASSIS OF NEW YORK.

Brighton Heights	\$6 65
Huguenot Park	3 50
New York—	
34th St.	10 00
Bethany Memorial ...	10 00
Elmendorf Chapel ...	46 69
Knox Memorial	5 00
Fourth German	10 00
Manor	7 00
Middle Collegiate ...	12 75
Mott Haven	5 75
Zion, German Evan- gelical	5 00
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CLASSIS OF ORANGE.

Newburgh, American... ..	\$5 00
Woodbourne, Fallsburgh ..	5 09
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CLASSIS OF PALISADES.

Guttenberg	\$3 00
New Durham, Grove ..	60 00
North Bergen	40 00
Secaucus	5 10
West Hoboken, Hope... ..	10 00
Woodcliff	10 00
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\$128 10	

CLASSIS OF PARAMUS.

Athenia	\$9 33
Garfield	5 00
Glen Rock	4 87
Ho-Ho-Kus	11 30
Lodi, 1st	5 00
Passaic, Lakeview Ave. ..	5 10
Paterson, Covenant ...	5 00
Piermont	5 00
Ridgewood	15 00
Ridgewood, Paramus ..	8 13
Tappan	5 00
Upper Ridgewood	3 00
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\$81 73	

CLASSIS OF PASSAIC.

Mountain Lakes	\$18 00
Pompton Plains	21 29
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\$39 29	

CLASSIS OF PELLA.

Killduff	\$5 65
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CLASSIS OF PHILADELPHIA.

Churchville	\$4 00
Harlingen	23 23
Philadelphia, 1st	15 00
Philadelphia, 4th.....	13 43
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\$55 66	

CLASSIS OF PLEASANT PRAIRIE.

Kings, Elim	\$2 00
Meservey	11 00
Peoria	12 46
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\$25 46	

CLASSIS OF POUGHKEEPSIE.

Poughkeepsie	\$10 00
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CLASSIS OF RARITAN.

Lebanon	\$1 25
North Branch	5 27
Peapack	60
Raritan, 2nd Somerville ..	10 00
Raritan, 3rd Somerville ..	17 22
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\$34 34	

CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER.

Ghent, 1st	\$1 00
Rensselaer	5 14
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\$6 14	

CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER.

Sodus	\$3 13
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CLASSIS OF SARATOGA.

Fort Miller	\$2 50
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CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.

Lisha's Kill	\$4 75
Niskayuna	4 59
Schenectady, 1st	15 62
Schenectady, Woodlawn ..	8 00
Scotia	4 62
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\$37 58	

CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE.

Middleburgh	\$5 00
Schoharie	10 73
Sharon Center	4 00
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\$19 73	

CLASSIS OF ULSTER.

Kingston, Comforter ...	\$10 68
Saugerties, Katsbaan ..	7 54
Shokan	3 00
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\$21 22	

42 PUBLICATION AND BIBLE-SCHOOL WORK

CLASSIS OF WESTCHESTER.		Anonymous	\$1 00
Mt. Vernon	\$2 10	RECAPITULATION.	
Tarrytown, 1st	13 96		
	<hr/> \$16 06	361 Churches	\$3,895 38
CLASSIS OF WISCONSIN.		129 Bible Schools	1,185 79
		4 Mission Societies ..	26 50
Chicago, Roseland 1st.	\$27 66	4 Catechumen Classes	13 00
Chicago, West Side....	13 00	4 C. E. Societies	34 55
	<hr/> \$40 66	4 Personal	8 25
		1 Ladies' Aid Society.	10 00
		1 Anonymous	1 00
		<hr/> 508	<hr/> \$5,174 47

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES, APRIL 30, 1918

ASSETS.

CASH—

In Bank	\$3,423 29	
Business Agent's Acc't	67 89	
On Hand	701 41	
	<hr/>	\$4,192 59

INVESTMENTS—

U. S. Liberty Bond	\$50 00	
Mortgages	2,000 00	
	<hr/>	2,050 00

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	7,585 22	
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INVENTORIES—

Merchandise	\$6,015 91	
Office Stationery	219 03	
	<hr/>	6,234 94

FURNITURE AND FIXTURES	576 58	
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TOTAL ASSETS	<hr/>	\$20,639 33
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LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL.

NOTES PAYABLE	\$3,600 00	
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ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	6,905 52	
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TOTAL LIABILITIES	<hr/>	\$10,505 52
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CAPITAL—May 1, 1917.....	\$15,050 45	
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RESERVE—May 1, 1917..	\$3,490 07	
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Additions	450 00	
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3,940 07

Loss for year	5,256 71	
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Deficit	<hr/>	1,316 64
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13,733 81

LESS GOOD WILL—

Purchase-price of The Christian

Intelligencer	3,600 00	
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NET CAPITAL, April 30, 1918.....	<hr/>	10,133 81
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\$20,639 33

BUSINESS AGENT'S STATEMENT, YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 1918

INCOME.

Profit on sales (including Donations).....	\$9,406 30	
Contributions—Bible Schools	1,184 89	
Contributions—Miscellaneous	3,989 58	
Discounts	36 75	
Interest on Bank Balances	75 69	
Interest on Investments	204 20	
Royalty	2 34	
Christian Intelligencer—		
Subscriptions Received	\$5,333 65	
Contributions Received	595 00	
Advertising Revenue	1,909 70	
	<hr/>	7,838 35
Total Income	<hr/>	\$22,738 10

EXPENSES.

Donations	\$613 43	
Salaries	5,331 33	
Rent	1,702 91	
Postage and Expressage	1,838 28	
Advertising	671 66	
Insurance	66 43	
Telephone	67 07	
Miscellaneous	1,045 76	
Committee on Evangelism	109 51	
Bad Debts	11 74	
Depreciation on Furniture and Fixtures.....	64 06	
	<hr/>	\$11,522 18
Educational Department—		
Salaries	\$3,089 96	
Traveling Expenses	249 10	
Miscellaneous	284 30	
	<hr/>	\$3,623 36
Christian Intelligencer—		
Printing	\$4,987 26	
Paper	2,114 78	
Salaries	4,502 10	
Advertising	33 59	

Commissions	229 88	
Classical Agents Traveling Exp.	56 71	
Fixtures	48 85	
Miscellaneous	876 10	
	<hr/>	12,849 27
Total Expenses	<hr/>	<hr/> \$27,994 81
Deficits for the year		<hr/> \$5,256 71

TREASURER'S CASH ACCOUNT, YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 1918

1917.			
May	1—Balance		\$3,918 11
May	Receipts.....	\$2,882 53	
June	"	3,530 83	
July	"	3,838 23	
Aug.	"	3,498 83	
Sept.	"	3,945 85	
Oct.	"	5,460 67	
Nov.	"	5,158 67	
Dec.	"	6,703 64	
1918.			
Jan.	"	7,654 64	
Feb.	"	8,199 67	
Mar.	"	6,545 31	
Apr.	"	10,848 67	
		<hr/>	68,267 54
			<hr/>
			\$72,185 65

1917.			
May	Payments.....	\$3,194 05	
June	"	2,638 58	
July	"	4,619 68	
Aug.	"	3,369 30	
Sept.	"	5,055 68	
Oct.	"	4,904 47	
Nov.	"	5,867 11	
Dec.	"	6,323 91	
1918.			
Jan.	"	8,005 05	
Feb.	"	7,636 59	
Mar.	"	7,573 83	
Apr.	"	8,804 81	
		<hr/>	\$67,993 06
			<hr/>
	April 30, 1918, Balance		\$4,192 59

JOHN F. CHAMBERS,
Treasurer.

THE ACTS AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE ONE
HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH REGULAR SESSION

OF THE

GENERAL SYNOD

OF

The Reformed Church in America

CONVENED IN

Grand Avenue Reformed Church

Asbury Park, New Jersey

June, 1919



THE BOARD OF PUBLICATION
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QUOTATIONS OF
MATTERS TO WHICH THE SPECIAL ATTENTION OF
THE CHURCHES IS CALLED BY THE
GENERAL SYNOD.

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARIES.

We recommend the passage of the following resolution:

That General Synod urges every one of its churches in the East to give its members an opportunity for contributing to the Seminary at New Brunswick, the Churches' own institution.

Fifth: Resolved, That the Churches be requested to make larger gifts to meet the increasing expenses incurred in the maintenance of Hertzog Hall.

This Fund is now a dependable source of income, to meet the financial problems of the Seminary. Your Committee would recommend in connection with this financial report, that the Salary Fund of the Western Theological Seminary be brought to the attention of our Churches, with the request that they give this important work a place in their Annual Budget.

EDUCATION.

Your Committee offers the following recommendations:

1. That the last Thursday or Sunday of January be observed throughout the Church as a Day of Prayer for schools, colleges, and seminaries.

7. That Hope College be recommended to the various Synods and Classes of the Church for their support and co-operation, so that no closed doors may be encountered in the effort to advance the kingdom.

8. That Central College be commended to the care of all the churches, especially that section which the College primarily serves.

15. That the General Synod accept the following as embodying its ideas in recruiting students for the Ministry:

- (1) That the responsibility of recruiting for the Ministry and other forms of Christian leadership should be put on every member of the Church, especially on parents, Bible School teachers, ministers, college and seminary professors.
- (2) That individual churches and communities should feel called upon to recruit as far as they can and to make much of those who are in preparation.

- (3) That the Church should achieve more fully the New Testament view of the great significance of the Church and of its mighty world task, both evangelistic and community.
 - (4) That the seminaries and colleges should recruit according to their opportunity and should co-operate to form seminary preparatory courses.
 - (5) That the enterprise of recruiting should become more, the continuous co-ordinated task of the whole Church.
16. That consistories and classes exercise great care in recommending students for aid and in renewing such recommendation from year to year, paying particular attention to the ability of the student to secure means for his support apart from those furnished by the Board of Education.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

1. That the custom of preceding years be followed and the last Sunday of February be designated for the special presentation of the cause of Foreign Missions in our Churches and in their Sunday Schools.

2. That we continue to emphasize our approval and recommendation of the Every Member Canvass, in successful use in a continually increasing number of Churches, as the best method of enlisting the financial assistance of the entire constituency of our Church in support of the local Church and the denominational agencies, and that it be urged that such annual canvass be conducted through the personal visits of members of a committee of the consistory or congregation.

3. That the One Day's Income Fund for Missions be discontinued; as it represented an emergency policy to meet special contingencies arising from war conditions which it is fully expected will soon improve.

4. That we urge upon individuals the method of Conditional Gifts or Annuities, as an increasingly satisfactory and dependable source of income, advantageous alike in the direction of carrying out the purpose of the donor and of making such purpose ultimately available for the work of the Board and the Church.

5. That we place ourselves on record as profoundly of the belief that the closing of the World War must be the signal to the Church of Christ to go forward and that co-operation and united advance of all branches of the Church are demanded as never before.

In recognition of this solemn consciousness of responsibility to God, that we recommend to General Synod the following course of action for the strengthening of the cause of Foreign Missions in response to the demands of the hour:

(a) As a concrete expression of our resolve and our faith in its achievement in view of the results of this year, we as a Board and as a Church definitely and purposefully undertake to move forward our financial goal from \$350,000 to \$400,000, as our fair obligation and attainable object for the coming year.

(b) The cordial support of the Reformed Church Progress Campaign which involves the following budget for the next five years, based on a careful study of the Field: The maintenance budget for five years, \$1,700,000; advance budget for maintenance and equipment, \$942,000; total, representing a five year budget for the Progress Campaign, \$2,642,000.

(c) Co-operation in the Interchurch World Movement representing the marshalling of the forces of Protestant Christianity in America to cope with the world problems of the Church, this co-operation to be maintained so far as may appear practicable and wise in the judgment of the Board as the plans of the Movement are developed.

Your committee recommended the following:

I. This Synod approves the proposal to create a Central Board to administer the Foreign Missionary Work of the Reformed Presbyterian Family of Churches in the United States.

II. That it empowers its Board of Foreign Missions to enter into negotiations with the constituted Boards of these sister Churches in accordance with the proposed plan submitted to this Synod.

III. That it authorizes its Board to fully co-operate with the Boards of the other Churches to consummate the creation of one Central Board of Foreign Missions. Provided,

- (a) That the integrity of the Denomination be not impaired.
- (b) That the personal relationship between Missionaries and individual Churches be continued.
- (c) That the utmost care be exercised in the selection and appointment of Missionaries with a view to maintaining the definitely Scriptural character of the Missionary's message.
- (d) That in the consummation of this plan full conference be had with the missionary force of our Church.

DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

Resolved, That the Board of Domestic Missions be authorized to co-operate with the Interchurch World Movement insofar as its plans may harmonize with the Reformed Church Progress Campaign.

In co-operation with the spirit and plan of the Progress Campaign, the Budget for the year proposed by both Synod's Board and the Woman's Board is divided into two parts: a maintenance bud-

get and a progress budget. The maintenance budget presents the following estimate: By the Church's Board—Church Sustentation, \$85,000; Church Extension, \$40,000; Church Building Fund, \$50,000; Immigrant Work, \$20,000; Student Missionaries, \$7,000; Negro Work, \$2,500; making a total of \$204,500. The Woman's Board presents the following maintenance budget: General Fund, \$46,900; Kentucky Mountain Mission, \$41,000; Indian Mission, \$40,000, making a total of \$127,900, or a total maintenance budget of \$332,400. The progress budget presents the following estimate: By Synod's Board—Church and parish building, \$80,000; Repairs and Additions, \$2,000; Equipment, \$1,000; additional workers, \$30,000; Unchurched Fields, \$10,000; New Alien Missions, \$10,000, making a total of \$133,000. By the Woman's Board—General Fund, \$15,890; Kentucky Mountain Mission, \$9,000; Indian Mission, \$7,000, making a total of \$31,890,—or a total progress budget of \$164,890. Your Committee recommend Synod's approval of this maintenance budget of \$332,400, and the progress budget of \$164,890, making a total for the year of \$497,290.

The Committee on Missionary Education has prepared a graded course in Mission Study, and it is urged upon the churches to avail themselves of the splendid material for missionary education.

Your Committee recommends (a) that the last Sunday in November be observed as Domestic Mission Sunday, and the week preceding, as Home Mission Week; (b) that at the public meet-

PUBLICATION.

We offer the following resolution: The General Synod recommends that the members of the Consistories of our churches become subscribers to the *Christian Intelligencer*, and also endeavor to secure a larger number of subscribers in each Church.

Our Church is rich in having two ably conducted papers. The second is owned by Hope College,—The *Leader*—and is specially directed to the life and work of the Western portion of our Church. It has a large circulation in the West and comparatively a small circulation in the East. We wish it would increase its circulation in the East, as we desire the increase of the circulation of the *Intelligencer* in the Western branch. Local interests would thus interest all portions, and would blend and combine in the interest of the whole. We recommend this high ideal of both papers and to both portions of our Church. The time may come when the aeroplane delivers the mail more rapidly, when there will be no East and no West, and when the two papers may be combined in one.

Our Church has another paper that is worthy of our commendation. It is the *Mit Arbiter* published by a classis, for the some 50 of our churches speaking the German language.

2. The financial business and condition of the Board is bright. It has received an increase of 25 per cent. in Church and general contributions, a total of \$4,997. Its total sales for the year have been \$51,057, an increase of \$4,089.

In accord with the Five Year Progress Campaign, the Board submits a budget which calls for a doubling of the contributions of the Churches in the next five years.

The Board has secured an efficient business agent of wide experience in the book trade, and is well able to supply all the books of our own and other publishers of all kinds, especially those needed in Bible School work. We offer the following resolution:

The General Synod recommends that her ministers and her people and especially her Bible Schools purchase their books from our Board of Publication as far as possible. The General Synod approves the Five Year Budget of the Board and urges each Church to take a yearly collection for the Board in growing amounts.

3. The educational work of the Board has been conducted in Bible School and Young People societies on large and tested lines. There has been a constant and earnest endeavor to lift higher the standard and efficiency of Christian Education.

We recommend the following resolution:

The General Synod commends the educational methods of the Board to the adoption of our Bible Schools, securing trained teachers, graded schools, and aiming to an intelligent and active membership in the Church.

4. The Report of the Committee on Evangelism to the Board seeks to enlist the entire membership of the Church in the effort of doubling the membership of the Church in five years. Each preacher is to preach many evangelistic sermons, to proclaim Christ as the only Savior, and to urge souls to trust Him as their Savior. So should the officers of the Church, the elders and the deacons, seek to win souls to Christ, and not only the officers of the Church but every member of the Church should preach Christ by word and life, by all personal influence,—personal work with persons for a personal Savior,—surely the General Synod will commend and approve this heartily.

WIDOWS' FUND.

Your Committee is convinced that it is altogether possible for the churches to increase their gifts to this Fund. That there is no indifference on the part of the Synod's representatives in reference to the support of aged or disabled ministers, and of widows and orphans of servants of God who fell by the way, has already been grandly demonstrated by the initial generous subscription to the one million dollar fund.

The Reformed Church ought not to forget the helpless and dependent among her ministers or their families. She helped care for the widows and orphans of Belgium and France; she ought not to neglect her own.

Resolved, That while steps are being taken to secure a million dollar fund in the near future the churches be urged to continue their contributions for the support of the existing Widows' Fund. The source of supply should not be permitted to lack funds for present needs.

DISABLED MINISTERS' FUND.

1. Resolved, That Rev. Jos. R. Duryea, D. D., and Rev. Seth Van der Werf, be a Special Committee to prepare one or more leaflets suitable for widespread circulation throughout the Denomination, setting forth concretely the urgent need. That said Committee also be asked to send the literature to the Agent of this Fund in each Classis, with a suggested goal for each Classis to strive to secure.

2. Resolved, That the Agent for this Fund in each Classis be urged to get the claim of this Fund before all the churches, with a call for increased contributions.

3. Resolved, That the maximum annuity be raised from \$200 to \$400, and that all the Classes be directed to carefully investigate each application, and recommend for only so much as seems positively needed; that the Board of Direction then grant to the ministers on the Fund the full amount asked if the funds permit, and if the funds do not permit the full amount, such proposition as the increased contributions will permit.

Should the increased contributions more than supply the sums asked by the ministers, that the surplus be divided among the widows on the Fund, according to their needs.

4. Resolved, That we express to Dr. Dennis Wortman our appreciation of his earnest efforts in behalf of this Fund for so many years, and extend to him our sympathy in the weakness due to the infirmity of years.

LORD'S DAY ALLIANCE.

Resolved, That the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America commends to all our Churches, so far as practicable, the sending of Delegates to the 31st Annual Convention of the Lord's Day Alliance of the United States, to be held in Washington, D. C., December 11-14, 1919.

Resolved, That the General Synod commends the Lord's Day Alliance of the United States for launching a movement to secure a

Federal Sunday Law to reinforce and safeguard the State Sunday Laws, and that we call upon our Churches to co-operate in this movement, and earnestly hope for the early realization of these most worthy projects.

Resolved, That in line with the general reconstruction of our life after the War, the General Synod affirms its strong and emphatic disapproval of all secular uses of the Lord's Day, all games and sports, all unnecessary traveling and excursions, and urges all employers of labor to recognize the need of the laboring man for his weekly day of rest and worship, and secures him in this right, thereby securing his larger efficiency and happiness.

AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY.

Resolved, That the General Synod earnestly endorses the work and efforts of the American Bible Society and the New York Bible Society, and all kindred organizations, in giving to the whole world this precious Book.

AMERICAN TRACT SOCIETY.

Resolved, That the General Synod reaffirms its former deliverances and commendations of the work of the American Tract Society, and urges that its world-wide service be given a larger place in the hearts and gifts of our people, and especially as to the needs of the hour, and earnestly requests Pastors and Consistories to give the Tract Society a place in their benevolent budget for an annual offering.

CHICAGO TRACT SOCIETY.

Concerning the Chicago Tract Society, which was represented on the floor of Synod by the Rev. John Lamar, and which not only ministers to the needs of that City, but to all the great States surrounding it. We would recommend the Churches in that section of the Synod to give their liberal support and patronage to it.

BIBLE CAUSE.

Your Committee recommends the adoption of the following resolutions:

Whereas, the Bible is fundamentally necessary to the existence and spreading of Christianity; and its publication and circulation in generous quantities at moderate prices are essential; and

Whereas, the Reformed Church is not equipped to publish Scriptures on a scale adequate to meet even its own needs, and,

Whereas, the American Bible Society, organized in 1816 in the Garden Street Reformed Church, New York City, and carrying on this work for over a century as a non-denominational organization,

depends for its support on the great Christian bodies of the country, and is placed among their official benevolences by some of the leading denominations, and

Whereas, the commendation which the General Synod has always given the American Bible Society has not produced a general response on the part of the Reformed Churches.

Resolved, That General Synod recognizes the work of the American Bible Society in producing and distributing the Word of God as essential to the life and development of the Kingdom, and therefore a work which should have the financial support of all the churches of the Reformed Church in America.

Resolved, That General Synod authorizes the Committee on the Progress Campaign to make some provision in the Progress Campaign budgets for this fundamental work.

Resolved, That the Reformed Church in America unite with other great Churches in emphasizing the importance of the Bible to the individual, the Church, the Nation and the World by the observance of a Bible Sunday in November, as suggested by the American Bible Society; and, to this end

Resolved, That General Synod designates the 3rd Sunday of the month for such observance; and calls upon the Churches to co-operate in making the day significant in the better appreciation, wider use, and larger distribution, of the Bible.

SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE.

To your Committee was also referred the report of the Permanent Committee on Systematic Beneficence of 1919.

The Committee reports that a larger number of Churches than ever before are adopting the every member canvass, the duplex-envelopes and other methods of securing regular gifts, and with gratifying success.

The Committee also lays before us the budget showing the financial needs of the Boards for the current year:

Foreign Missions	\$517,800 00
Domestic Missions	497,290 00
Education	30,000 00
Publication and Bible School Work.....	18,000 00
Disabled Ministers' Fund	25,000 00
Widows' Fund	15,000 00

A total of\$1,103,090 00

This sum is large, yet not too large for the Church to set as its goal for this year. It means almost \$15.00 per family or \$8.23 per member per year for these six great and closely related causes of the kingdom.

If only the Church of Christ would realize her stewardship, and learn to give proportionately as well as systematically, giving to the Lord week by week as He has prospered us, the treasury of our Lord would be full to overflowing.

Let us as ministers and elders seek to arouse and lead out our fellow christians also to this privilege and joy of fellowship with our Lord in consecrated stewardship.

Resolved, That the Synod, recognizing our stewardship, and the opportunity which this larger budget places before us, adopt this sum of \$1,103,090.00 as our goal for these six great causes this year, and that we pledge ourselves heartily for the attainment of this goal.

PROGRESS CAMPAIGN.

Your Committee believes the time is now ripe for one great general advance along wider lines. At a December meeting of the Committee, the Boards of the Church were requested to make a full survey of their respective fields and draw up a comprehensive budget for the next five years, designed to cover the necessary expenditure to place the work of each Board on a thoroughly efficient basis, meeting all pressing opportunities. These reports were submitted to the Committee at its May meeting; and detailed statements regarding them appear in the reports of the several Boards submitted to General Synod. The Budgets of the Board of Publication and Bible School Work, the Board of Education, the Boards of Domestic Missions and the Boards of Foreign Missions, totalled over five million dollars for the period of five years. With strong faith and brave hearts your Committee believes that this financial goal should be the measure of our opportunity for service during the next five years, and, therefore, submits the following recommendations to this General Synod:

1. That the sum of Five Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars be fixed as the financial objective of the Progressive Campaign for the next five years.

2. That the Budget of the Ministerial Pension Fund be also incorporated in this objective, the sum being added whenever the General Synod approves the plans of the Commission.

3. That beginning with November, 1919, there be inaugurated a Go-to-Church campaign, and that we also concentrate on a great Intercession Campaign, urging the establishment or re-establishment of the Family Altar in our homes, the assembling of the people in the mid-week meetings for seasons of special prayer and culminating in a pledged enrollment of the membership of our churches in a mighty Intercession movement.

4. That beginning with January there be inaugurated a Christian Stewardship Educational Campaign leading up to a Stewardship

enrollment pledging a definite percentage of income for the administration of the affairs of the Kingdom of God.

5. That the month of March mark a united effort throughout our church for the securing of sufficient funds and pledges for the five-year Progress Campaign budget as outlined by the respective surveys—a drive for “The Whole Work of the Whole Church.”

6. That your Committee be given full authority to harmonize the plans outlined in sections 3, 4 and 5 with any similar plans which may be inaugurated by the Inter-Church World Movement.

7. That in order to insure a successful accomplishment of this great task, the organization of the Progress Campaign Committee be enlarged so as to include the following:

(1) An Executive Committee, a Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary-Treasurer, a paid Executive Secretary and the following departmental Committees: Publicity, Stewardship, Prayer, Minute Men. (2) A Synodical organization in each one of our Particular Synods consisting of a Chairman, a Synodical Executive Secretary who is to be a paid official, a small Committee of laymen and clergymen and a representative from each Classis known as a Classical Chairman. (3) A Classical organization consisting of the Classical Chairman and a Local Church Chairman from each Church within the Classis. The Classical Chairmen to be selected by the Executive Committee in conference with the Synodical Committee.

PUBLIC MORALS.

1. That the General Synod approves of the work of the Permanent Committee on Public Morals and directs them to continue their efforts during the coming year.

2. That the General Synod requests all Classes that have not yet appointed a Classical agent to co-operate with the Committee on Public Morals to do so at their earliest opportunity and also approves of and requests the payment by Consistories or Classes of a yearly sum not to exceed one dollar per congregation for the work of Synod's Committee.

4. That the General Synod heartily endorse and commends the action of our Particular Synods in calling upon the pastors and people of our Churches to observe the third Sabbath of June, 1919, (June 15) as a Day of Prayer and pastoral instruction for the better observance of the Lord's Day and for the lawful enforcement of the Prohibition Amendment to the Federal Constitution.

5. The General Synod especially and emphatically calls upon our Churches to resist by all lawful and proper means the growing secularization of the Lord's Day and all that makes more easy its non-observance by our various communities as a day of rest and worship. Especially do we urge those of our Churches which are

situated in the smaller communities, in which their influence is still so powerful, to prevent, by every lawful means, the adoption of all local ordinances by which the operation of moving picture theatres and the public playing of baseball games for profit may be legalized under recently enacted State laws.

Lastly, the General Synod heartily approves of the principles and objects of the Lord's Day Alliance of the United States, and of the Anti-Saloon League of America and commends these organizations to the confidence, the support and the co-operation of all our Churches and people.

The Committee on Public Morals begs leave to make a supplementary report as follows:

Whereas, There has lately been made widespread and frequently successful efforts to secularize and commercialize the Lord's Day by the weakening or removal of civil restraint as to the observance of that day; therefore,

Resolved, That the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America again puts itself on record as strongly deprecating and disapproving the recent action by the Legislatures and Executives of several of our states, which has made more easy the non-observance of the Christian Sabbath; and calls upon all our citizens irrespective of race and creed to demand from the civil government a Day of Rest and Worship, to the glory of God and their own highest welfare.

Resolved, That we expressly call upon all our pastors and elders to zealously instruct and influence their people on the question of the spiritual observance of the Lord's Day, and that both pastors, Consistories and people cast their whole influence as citizens as well as Christians against the foes of the Christian Sabbath, that this indispensable bulwark against public immorality, civic disorder and spiritual irreligion may be steadfastly maintained.

STATE OF RELIGION.

A comparison of the grand totals of the statistical tables of this year with those of last year reveals the following facts:

The General Synod has 5 churches less than last year; one minister less; 876 families more; 494 less received on confession of faith; 410 less received on certificate; 269 less in full communion; 246 more adherents; 2,016 less on the absent list; 2,986 more on the inactive list; 49 less infants baptized; 207 less adults; 666 more of baptized non-communicants; 1,433 more of catechisms; 20 less Bible Schools; 4,090 less scholars enrolled in the Sunday Schools; \$60,772 more for denominational objects; \$74,455 more for other objects, and \$4,721 more for congregational purposes.

Although the reports of the Particular Synods have in a measure prepared us for it, nevertheless it comes with somewhat of a shock when the figures reveal the fact that the Church has hardly held its own, except in finance, if it has not actually fallen behind, not only of previous records, which as quite possible, (for every year is not equally fruitful), but that the loss in membership is greater than the gain. This falling off is comparatively slight, only 256, but large enough to cause us some concern. There may be exceptional years; possibly this is one of them, when conditions are abnormal, but no Church can be satisfied when statistics are against it in the line of addition. If she is in a healthy condition it must arouse her to greater activity and consecration. Her chief task is to bring sinners to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and an open confession of his name. Increase in numbers is essential to her future existence.

Another serious fact registered by the figures is the reduced enrollment in the Bible Schools and the loss in the number of schools. What has happened—twenty schools less and 4,090 less enrolled? About one in thirty are missing. While this condition, as we have seen, is the most serious in the Synods of New Brunswick and New York, the gain in Albany and Chicago is so small that all boasting is excluded. Is it possible that our more energetic neighbors are getting away with our children? This ought not to continue.

The amounts contributed for denominational purposes, other objects, and congregational needs, are significant and a sign of a healthy religious life. In the face of extraordinary financial demands on account of the war, the churches gave \$60,772 more for denominational purposes, \$74,456 more for other objects, and \$4,721 more for congregational expenses. This is \$136,228 more than last year for benevolence—a deserving record indeed.

Another hopeful and encouraging fact from the statistics is the increase in the number of catechumens. For some time this need has been felt by many and emphasized in our Seminaries and from the pulpit. Evidently the Church is beginning to recognize the importance of religious education, the instruction of the youth in the fundamentals of the Christian faith, and is apparently moving in that direction.

At the end of this brief statistical survey we may feel somewhat depressed in spirit, in view of the loss in membership. Your Chairman confesses to such a state of mind. It is not a pleasant task to recount apparent defeats. It is, however, wise to look at conditions as they are. While an excellent financial record is not to be under-valued as an indication of the state of religion, it cannot compensate for the want of gains in membership. More than one

reason can be given for the apparent stand-still. During eight months of this ecclesiastical year the World War, being at its height, was the all-absorbing subject of thought, feeling and effort, and the religious interest suffered. Many of our best workers, among young people especially, were in the camps, the trenches, and going "over the top." Much time, otherwise given to religion by those at home, was taken up with war work. Many of the ministers were away from their congregation. The influenza epidemic closed churches for a month, and longer in some places. For a while it put a stop to the religious activities of a public character, and at a time of the year when they are most fruitful. Many also died. The number of deaths among the members of the Church is a fourth larger than last year.

While statistics have their value, and their warnings must not be neglected, we will bear in mind that it is an incomplete running up of the religious life. In the language of one of the reports: "Our statistical table has no column for spiritual experience and growth in character, no symbol to represent mercy, compassion, brotherly love and philanthropy."

Some of us may be tempted to think, if not to say, that, however unsuccessful the Progress Program may have been in other respects, it has signally failed in the first item, the increase in Church membership. This would be a wrong conclusion. By themselves programs accomplish nothing, however excellent they may be. They are guides for work. The fact is that we have failed the program. It pointed us all year to a great and blessed obligation. The program faces us now as a lawful accuser. Let us thank God that at the end of the year, in this way, he brings us face to face with our shortcomings as stewards of His saving grace. If it were not for this sharp reminder we might go home from this Synod satisfied with our failure.

We have endeavored to face the facts. What of the future? The situation calls for thanksgiving, for humiliation and confession, for renewed consecration and prayer, for courage and determination. Christ was never defeated and through him we are more than conquerors.

As a denomination we possess a splendid equipment for service in the kingdom. We have over seven hundred houses of worship, and which are centers of religious life and activity.

Our denominational equipment, East and West—the church building in New York, the Church House in Holland, Rutgers College in New Jersey, Hope College in Michigan, Central College in Iowa, the New Brunswick and Western Theological Seminaries, a number of Academies in different states,—are all vital parts of a magnificent equipment for spiritual efficiency. And while church buildings, denominational houses, college halls, seminary lecture rooms, church

papers, and progress programs have no power in themselves, nevertheless as instruments they are indispensable. God works through means, and these instruments He has placed at our disposal. There is, however, something more essential to success in the Lord's work than equipment—namely, the vital forces. In our communion there are over seven hundred ministers and one hundred and thirty-three thousand Church members, who are united in prayers and labors for the coming of the kingdom in their own hearts and lives, and that of their fellow men at home and to the ends of the earth. We have a highly trained ministry: consecrated to the work; able as preachers and conscientious in the performance of pastoral duties. They are backed by and equally devoted and intelligent laity and bound together by a brotherly spirit that is as strong as it is admirable.

The word of God is a living force. God has said, and experience has proved the statement: "My word shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing hereto I sent it." The men in the pulpit are preaching the unadulterated gospel of the love of God to man. If we were under the necessity of choosing between a sour orthodoxy and a sweet herodoxy, we would prefer the latter, but true orthodoxy, the up-to-date orthodoxy, the orthodoxy of Jesus, is the grandest and the sweetest thing there is. The chief vitalizing force, however, is the Holy Spirit. He renews the nature and dwells in the soul. He is the author of the Scriptures, the illuminator and vitalizer of the truth. He is the *sine qua non* of religious effort. "Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit," saith the Lord of hosts." The Holy Spirit in the mind and heart of the Church is the assurance of ultimate triumph.

We are not alone. We are in vital touch with the labors in other communions. While the Church of God is divided we realize that, like the sea, it is chiefly on the surface and that deeper down there is wonderful unity. After all there is but "one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, and who is above all and through all and in you all." In our denominational life we feel the pulse-beat of the whole Church of God. We are an inseparable part of a great whole.

* Like a mighty army
 Moves the Church of God,
 Brothers, we are treading
 Where the Saints have trod;
 We are not divided,
 All one body we,
 One in hope and doctrine,
 One in charity.

EVART J. BLEKKINK.

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ACTS AND PROCEEDINGS.

THE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH GENERAL SYNOD OF THE REFORMED CHURCH IN AMERICA CONVENED IN REGULAR SESSION IN THE GRAND AVENUE REFORMED CHURCH OF ASBURY PARK, N. J., ON THURSDAY, THE FIFTH DAY OF JUNE, ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND NINETEEN, AT TWO-THIRTY O'CLOCK P. M., AND ADJOURNED ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE ELEVENTH AT THE NOON HOUR.

FORMATION OF SYNOD.

ARTICLE I.

OPENING OF SYNOD.

The Synod was called to order by the President, the Rev. Evart J. Blekkink, D. D., who led the Synod in prayer. Dr. Blekkink presided until the close of the afternoon session and preached the synodical sermon at the evening service from the text Eph. IV:10 "He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that He might fill all things."

ARTICLE II.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

PARTICULAR SYNOD OF NEW YORK.

CLASSIS OF HUDSON—*Ministers*, Revs. H. Hageman, B. F. White. *Elder*, H. A. Laurence.

CLASSIS OF KINGSTON—*Ministers*, Revs. F. B. Seeley, C. N. Stevens. *Elders*, John Millard, Arthur Wood.

NORTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND—*Ministers*, Revs. Charles K. Clearwater, William H. Jackson, Fred Stoebener. *Elders*, E. Covert Hulst, Conrad Heckert, J. D. McPherson.

SOUTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND—*Ministers*, Revs. J. M. Farrar, J. F. Berg, G. W. Carter, O. M. Fletcher. *Elders*, C. W. Osborne, Geo. Tiffany, Chas. F. Hartman.

CLASSIS OF NEW YORK—*Ministers*, Revs. Jos. R. Duryee, Edgar Tilton, Jr., J. Howard Brinckerhoff, John A. DeBoer, Edgar Franklin Romig, Wm. N. McNeill. *Elders*, A. L. Schwab, Daniel McClure, H. Dean Swift, John M. Kyle, Geo. E. Knight.

CLASSIS OF ORANGE—*Ministers*, Revs. Walter S. Maines, Bruce Ballard, M. Seymour Purdy. *Elders*, M. E. Clark, A. D. Burnett, Nathan S. Taylor.

CLASSIS OF POUGHKEEPSIE—*Ministers*, Revs. Wm. Bancroft Hill, Addison C. Bird. *Elders*, Chas. J. Brower, Theron J. Briggs.

CLASSIS OF WESTCHESTER—*Ministers*, Revs. W. P. Bruce, James Mulder, John Black. *Elder*, Charles Ruston.

PARTICULAR SYNOD OF ALBANY.

CLASSIS OF ALBANY—*Ministers*, Revs. Henry T. Jones, Howard Kanter, Joseph Millet. *Elders*, Bronk Van Slyke, Orville H. Brate.

CLASSIS OF GREENE—*Ministers*, Revs. Wm. A. Dumont, H. J. Herge.

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY—*Ministers*, Revs. Joshua R. Kyle, Joel Loucks, Victor J. Blekkink. *Elders*, J. D. Frederici, William Bellinger.

CLASSIS OF RENNELAER—*Ministers*, Revs. E. A. Collier, E. C. Vanderlaan. *Elder*, M. A. Kingman.

CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER—*Ministers*, Revs. G. H. Hospers, C. Van der Schoor, J. A. Thurston. *Elders*, A. Van Ameele, C. Van Aalst, Peter A. Contant.

CLASSIS OF SARATOGA—*Ministers*, Revs. C. W. Kinney, H. F. Hamlin. *Elders*, Jas. Andrews, J. A. MacDougal.

CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY—*Ministers*, Revs. E. O. Schmit-

ters, C. P. Ditmars, Cor. DeYoung. *Elders*, Henry Bateholtz, A. L. Frederick.

CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE—*Ministers*, Revs. H. C. Morehouse, H. D. Frost. *Elders*, T. J. Wood, L. C. Berger.

CLASSIS OF ULSTER—*Ministers*, Revs. J. V. Wemple, C. Van Ostenbrugge. *Elders*, Wm. S. Myer, H. V. Storey.

PARTICULAR SYNOD OF CHICAGO.

CLASSIS OF CASCADES—*Minister*, Rev. T. W. Muilenburg.

CLASSIS OF CHICAGO—*Ministers*, Revs. Jean A. Vis, J. F. Heemstra, F. Zandstra. *Elders*, A. Nywening, Geo. Ottens, J. F. Vandyk.

CLASSIS OF DAKOTA—*Ministers*, Revs. David McEwan, J. De Beer. *Elder*, A. J. Brink.

CLASSIS OF GERMANIA—*Ministers*, Revs. E. Aeilts, G. Kramer. *Elder*, H. Block.

CLASSIS OF GRAND RAPIDS—*Ministers*, Revs. J. H. Kregel, A. DeYoung, N. Boer. *Elders*, N. Steensma, H. Hamminga.

CLASSIS OF HOLLAND—*Ministers*, Revs. M. A. Stegeman, H. J. Veldman, G. Hankamp. *Elders*, Arend J. Von Zoeren, Gerrit Oonk, B. Vinkemulder.

CLASSIS OF ILLINOIS—*Ministers*, Revs. John Lamar, L. Potgeter. *Elders*, H. Teninga, Henry Smidt.

CLASSIS OF MICHIGAN—*Ministers*, Revs. Henry A. Vruwink, J. Alex. Brown, C. H. Spaan. *Elders*, S. J. Wykket, Herman Brower, Peter Meindersma.

CLASSIS OF PELLA—*Ministers*, Revs. B. F. Brinkman, B. M. Flikkema. *Elders*, G. H. Wormhoudt, Gysbert Van Zante.

CLASSIS OF PLEASANT PRAIRIE—*Ministers*, Revs. Geo. W. Bonte, F. Reeverts. *Elder*, Peter DeBeer.

CLASSIS OF EAST SIOUX—*Ministers*, Revs. H. Douwstra, J. P. De Jong, T. E. Welmers. *Elders*, R. Menning, J. H. Beltman, T. Dykema.

CLASSIS OF WEST SIOUX—*Ministers*, Revs. G. Bosch, J. Vanderbeek. *Elders*, Wm. A. Lammers, G. W. Sterken.

CLASSIS OF WISCONSIN—*Ministers*, Revs. J. H. Straks,

M. J. Duven, G. J. Hekhuis. *Elders*, J. L. Rademaker, G. J. Beuhler, G. Ten Haken.

WESTERN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY—*Minister*, Rev. John E. Kuizenga.

PARTICULAR SYNOD OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

CLASSIS OF BERGEN—*Ministers*, Revs. Edgar I. McCully, P. T. Pockman. *Elders*, Charles W. Barton, A. K. Goodrich.

SOUTH CLASSIS OF BERGEN—*Ministers*, Revs. Willard P. Soper, George C. Muller, F. S. Wilson. *Elders*, William Paulsen, John Watson, W. C. Oliver.

CLASSIS OF MONMOUTH—*Ministers*, Revs. M. T. Conklin, W. MacNair. *Elders*, Henry T. Gulick, John Bingham.

CLASSIS OF NEWARK—*Ministers*, Revs. Albertus T. Broek, Charles E. Waldron, George D. Hulst, George H. Donovan. *Elder*, Edward L. Duncan.

CLASSIS OF NEW BRUNSWICK—*Ministers*, Revs. Jasper S. Hogan, Frederick K. Shield. *Elders*, R. Y. Sutphen, Henry P. Schneeweiss.

CLASSIS OF THE PALISADES—*Ministers*, Revs. I. W. Gowen, Joseph D. Peters, William Mager. *Elders*, Clifford A. Morton, Henry L. Peterson.

CLASSIS OF PARAMUS—*Ministers*, Revs. John A. Terhune, A. J. Van Houten, E. B. Van Arsdale, Henry D. Cook. *Elders*, A. Voorman, Walter E. Duryea, J. J. Morrison, A. H. Storms.

CLASSIS OF PASSAIC—*Ministers*, Revs. Geo. W. Labaw, John B. Church, Thos. Powell Vernoll. *Elders*, Fred Berdan, J. R. Vanderbeek, J. G. Botbyl.

CLASSIS OF PHILADELPHIA—*Ministers*, Revs. William R. Raerick, W. L. Sahler. *Elders*, William F. Beatty, Cicero Hunt.

CLASSIS OF RARITAN—*Ministers*, Revs. C. G. Mallery, C. J. Fingar, A. C. Van Raalte. *Elders*, C. M. Wyckoff, A. L. Stillwell, Charles Fritts.

NEW BRUNSWICK THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY—*Minister*, Rev. F. S. Schenck.

ARTICLE III.

MODERATORS.

The President appointed Rev. Geo. H. Donovan and Rev. Thos. E. Welmers as tellers.

The Rev. J. Frederic Berg, D. D., of Brooklyn, N. Y., was elected President.

The Rev. Jasper S. Hogan, D. D., of New Brunswick, N. J., was elected Vice President.

The Revs. Geo. H. Donovan and Thos. E. Welmers were elected Temporary Clerks.

At the closing session the Rev. William E. Compton was appointed Press Clerk for the coming year, and

The Rev. Jasper S. Hogan, D. D., was appointed chairman, and Elder George Tiffany was appointed Elder-at-large, on the Committee on Correspondence and Program for the coming year. The other members of the Committee are, ex-officio, the President of the General Synod, the Stated Clerk, and the pastor of the church entertaining General Synod in 1920.

ARTICLE IV.

READING OF MINUTES.

On motion the reading of the minutes of last session was omitted.

II—ACTS OF THE SYNOD.

ARTICLE I.

RULES OF ORDER.

On motion the reading of the Rules of Order was omitted, and copies were placed upon the President's desk.

PRELIMINARY REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON
CORRESPONDENCE AND PROGRAM.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America:

In accordance with the requirements of the Rules of Or-

der, the Committee on Correspondence and Program herewith submits its preliminary report.

Various meetings and conferences of the committee have been held. Considerable correspondence has also been necessary in order to perform the duties assigned to us.

The special part of the report submitted at this time is the printed "Program of the General Synod." In the preparation of this important guide for the business sessions and religious exercises, the committee has endeavored to profit by its former mistakes. In seeking to expedite the work of the Synod, the effort has been made to provide for the thorough consideration of all important items of business.

In the arrangement of the proposed program, special prominence has been given to the work and plans of the Progress Campaign Committee. Provision has also been made for two addresses bearing upon the vital importance of Evangelism and the Interchurch World Movement of North America; the one by Dr. Goodell on Monday morning and the other by Dr. J. Campbell White on Tuesday morning.

As usual the program for Friday night, Monday night, Tuesday night and Ladies' Day have been planned by the respective Boards in whose interests they are held. The committee hereby expresses to the officers of these Boards its appreciation of their cordial co-operation in the preparation of these parts of the program.

The final report of the committee on the mass of correspondence which is generally referred to it, will of necessity be deferred until the closing session of this body. The committee begs leave to submit at this time the printed "Program of the General Synod," recommending its adoption as the order of business for the various sessions of the General Synod of 1919.

JASPER S. HOGAN,
Chairman.

The report was adopted.

At the Wednesday morning session the following Resolution in regard to privileges of Theological Professors at Synod, was introduced and adopted.

Resolved, That any professor of the New Brunswick or Western Seminary, who has not been appointed a representative of the Seminary to General Synod shall be recognized as a corresponding member of General Synod with privileges of the floor, and he shall receive the regular per diem allowance for entertainment in this and in future meetings of General Synod.

The hours of meeting and adjournment were fixed.

The limits of the house were fixed, and later in the sessions were made to include the whole body of the church.

The Van Benschoten Bequest was read.

ARTICLE II.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

DIRECTION—*Elders*, G. Tiffany, E. C. Hulst, H. P. Schneeweiss, W. Bellenger, T. J. Wood, R. Y. Sutphen, W. Paulson, H. Brower, G. H. Wormhoudt, C. W. Osborne.

PROFESSORATE—*Ministers*, Revs. I. W. Gowen, J. M. Farrar, D. McEwan, E. A. Collier, A. DeYoung, M. J. Duven, G. H. Hospers, F. K. Shield. *Elders*, A. Wood, B. Vinke-mulder, J. Beltman, C. J. Brower, H. Bateholtz, C. Hunt.

FOREIGN MISSIONS—*Ministers*, Revs. J. R. Duryea, W. B. Hill, J. H. Brinckerhoff, E. F. Ronig, C. DeYoung, J. Lamar, W. P. Soper, G. Kramer, H. J. Hamlin, J. V. Wemple. *Elders*, H. W. Wood, A. L. Frederick, J. F. Van Dyk, J. Poppenga, C. A. Morton, D. McClure, S. V. Waldron.

DOMESTIC MISSIONS—*Ministers*, Revs. F. B. Seeley, A. T. Broek, C. H. Spaan, J. DeBeer, G. D. Hulst, T. W. Muilenburg, G. C. Muller, H. Kanter, W. N. MacNeill. *Elders*, J. Millard, H. Dean Swift, B. Van Slyke, P. Contant, N. Eisen-ga, N. Steensma, C. W. Barton, C. Fritts.

OVERTURES—*Ministers*, Revs. P. T. Pockman, W. P. Bruce, G. W. Bonte, N. Boer, J. Loucks, B. F. White, F. Stoebener, D. M. Fletcher, E. B. Van Arsdale. *Elders*, J. D. Frederici, L. C. Berger, A. G. Van Zoeren, P. Meindersma.

EDUCATION—*Ministers*, Revs. J. E. Kuizenga, H. Hageman, J. A. Thurston, C. Van Ostenbrugge, J. H. Straks, B. F. Brinkman, V. J. Blekkink, J. Mulder. *Elders*, J. D. McPherson, G. E. Knight, C. Ailst, J. A. McDougal, J. Wyckel, P. DeBeer, H. V. Story, M. E. Clark.

PUBLICATION—*Ministers*, Revs. F. S. Schenck, J. F. Heemstra, M. S. Purdy, Professor Hartman, J. A. DeBoer, F. S. Wilson, C. G. Mallery. *Elders*, J. M. Kyle, N. S. Taylor, A. Von Ameele, W. Blenis, F. Huisman, A. H. Storms.

WIDOWS' FUND—*Ministers*, Revs. J. P. DeJong, C. Vander Schoor, A. C. Bird, G. Bosch, H. D. Cook, W. Mager. *Elders*, W. E. Duryea, J. R. Vanderbeek, M. E. Clark, C. Ruston, W. Lamerson.

DISABLED MINISTERS' FUND—*Ministers*, Revs. E. Tilton, T. P. Vernol, W. A. Dumont, W. Douma, J. Black, W. Mager, J. H. Kregel. *Elders*, O. H. Brate, H. Block, A. K. Goodrich, G. Ten Haken.

SYNODICAL MINUTES—*Ministers*, Revs. C. W. Kinney, C. J. Fingar, H. D. Frost, C. E. Waldron, A. J. Van Houten, J. Mulder. *Elders*, A. D. Burnett, S. Nywenning, J. Watson, H. L. Peterson.

JUDICIAL BUSINESS—*Ministers*, Revs. J. R. Kyle, M. J. Duven, F. Reeverts, W. MacNair, B. M. Flikkema. *Elders*, T. Briggs, H. T. Gulick, C. M. Wyckoff.

BENEVOLENT SOCIETIES—*Ministers*, Revs. C. P. Ditmars, J. A. Brown, W. H. Jackson, H. T. Jones, H. Dowstra, J. D. Peters, A. C. Van Raalte. *Elders*—M. A. Kingman, J. Andrews, H. Teninga, W. C. Oliver, J. J. Morrison.

SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE—*Ministers*, Revs. G. Heckhuis, M. T. Conklin, M. A. Stegeman, L. Potgeter, W. R. Rearick. *Elders*, W. S. Myer, G. Oonk, G. Van Zante.

NECROLOGY—*Ministers*, J. H. Raven, J. Weber, P. G. M. Bahler, G. De Jonge.

ACCOUNTS—*Ministers*, Revs. H. J. Herge, J. B. Church, G. Hankamp, E. Aeilts, E. C. VanderLaan, B. Ballard. *Elders*, J. L. Rademaker, S. B. Thompson, A. G. Brink, F. Berdan, H. A. Laurence.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE—*Ministers*, Revs. G. W. Labaw, J. A. Vis, C. N. Stevens, J. Vanderbeek, E. O. Schwitters. *Elders*, R. Menning, G. J. Buehler, E. A. Vroom.

RESOLUTIONS—*Ministers*, Revs. H. J. Veldman, W. S. Sahler, E. I. McCully, G. W. Carter, J. Millett, F. Zandstra. *Elders*, G. W. Sterken, T. Dykema, J. B. Botbyl, H. Hemminga.

NEXT PLACE OF MEETING—*Ministers*, Revs. C. K. Clearwater, H. Vruwink, H. C. Morehouse, W. S. Maines. *Elders*, E. L. Duncan, W. Beatty, A. L. Stillwell.

STATE OF RELIGION—*Ministers*, Revs. E. J. Blekkink, W. J. Leggett. *Elder*, C. Dosker.

CORRESPONDENCE AND RELIGIOUS EXERCISES—*Ministers*, Revs. J. S. Hogan, E. J. Blekkink, H. Lockwood, G. M. Conover. *Elder*, George Tiffany.

ARTICLE III.

COMMUNICATIONS.

Communications were received and disposed of as follows:

Report of Board of Direction June, 1919.

Financial Statements of Treasurer of General Synod.

Overture from Classis of Cascades to be exempted from one-half of Classical Assessment and Endorsement of this routine by P. S. of Chicago.

Protest from Classis of New York against the constantly increasing assessments on the Classes.

Resolution from Federal Council Executive Committee in reference to expenses of members.

Actions of the Classes in regard to the Constitutional Amendment of sec. 113.

All referred to Committee on Board of Direction.

Annual Report of the Board of Superintendents of New Brunswick Theological Seminary.

Nominations for Board of Superintendents of New Brunswick Theological Seminary.

Report of the Standing Committee on Seminary Grounds and Property, at New Brunswick and Report of the Treasurer.

Report of the Board of Superintendents of the Western Theological Seminary.

Nominations for the Board of Superintendents of the Western Theological Seminary.

Report of the General Synod's Permanent Committee on the Finances of the Western Theological Seminary.

Overtures for Dispensations.

All referred to the Committee on Professorate.

Eighty-fourth Annual *Report* of the Board of Education.

The 53d Annual *Report* of the Council of Hope College.

Financial Statement of the Benevolent Boards of Hope College, North Western Classical Academy and Pleasant Prairie Academy and Classical Board of Education of the Northwest.

Report of Special Committee regarding Western District Committee on Education.

Report of the General Synod's and the Board of Education's Committee on Survey.

Report of the Educational Conference and addresses.

Report of Central College, Pella, Iowa.

Report of the Pleasant Prairie Academy.

Report of the Board of Trustees of the North Western Classical Academy.

Recommendation for aid to the North Western Classical Academy by the Classis of Iowa.

Report of the Wisconsin Memorial Academy.

Recommendation for aid for the Wisconsin Memorial Academy made by the Classis of Wisconsin.

All referred to the Committee on Education, Academies and Colleges.

Annual Report of the Board of Foreign Missions.

Year Book of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions containing its 45th Annual *Report*.

Proposal to create a Central Board to Administer the Foreign Missionary Work of the Reformed-Presbyterian Family of Churches in the United States.

Referred to Committee on Board of Foreign Missions.

87th *Annual Report* of Board of Domestic Missions and 36th *Annual Report* of the Woman's Board of Domestic Missions.

Offer as gift of a Colored School in North Carolina from the Industrial Union of America of Southern Pines, N. C.

Recommendation from Particular Synod of Chicago that the Board of Domestic Missions assume control of The Normal and Industrial Institute of Brewton, Alabama.

Referred to Committee on Domestic Missions.

65th *Annual Report* of Board of Publication and Bible School Work.

Report of Permanent Committee on English Preaching at The Hague.

Second Annual Report of the War Service Commission of the Reformed Church in America.

Report of Committee on Zwingli Publications.

All referred to Committee on Publication and Bible School Work.

Financial Statement of Widows' Fund of Treasurer Frank R. Van Nest.

Referred to Committee on Widows' Fund.

Financial Statement of Disabled Ministers' Fund of Treasurer Frank R. Van Nest.

Overture from Particular Synod of Chicago to raise Annuity paid by Disabled Ministers' Fund.

Referred to Committee on Disabled Ministers' Fund.

Report of the Commission on Ministerial Pensions.

Acted upon by Synod.

Actions of Classes on Constitutional Amendments to sections 113 and 21.

Overtures from Classes West of the Mississippi River in regard to formation of a new Particular Synod.

Overture from the Particular Synod of Chicago and En-

dorsement in regard to formation of a new Particular Synod, with accompanying papers.

Overture from the North Classis of Long Island, that General Synod "consider again the desirability of abolishing the Particular Synods."

All referred to Committee on Overtures.

Overture from the Classis of Cascades through the Particular Synod of Chicago concerning "Modern Heresies."

Overture from the No. Classis of Long Island to amend sec. 85 of Constitution.

Both referred to Committee on Judicial Business.

Overture from the Classis of Dakota, that the "Inactive" column in the Statistical Tables be eliminated.

Overture from the Classis of Dakota, that General Synod Memorialize Congress against adoption of Universal Military Training.

Referred to Committee on Resolutions.

Overture from the Classis of Philadelphia, that General Synod appoint the four delegates in response to the invitation of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., in the matter of church union.

Overture from the Council of Reformed Churches Holding the Presbyterian System, that General Synod adopt "*An Enabling Act*" which gives powers to Boards to appoint representatives to act with representatives of similar Boards from other Presbyterian and Reformed Bodies.

Both referred to Committee on Closer Relations.

Minutes of General Synod and the four Particular Synods were referred to the Committee on Synodical Minutes and References.

Report of Committee on Necrology. (Read.)

Request for hearing of Mr. Duncan J. McMillan, N. Y. Sabbath Com.

Request for hearing of D. Allen Mac Rossie of campaign for relief in France and Belgium.

Request of Rev. H. L. Bowlby to speak in the interests of the Lord's Day Alliance.

Request for Rev. John Lamar to speak in the interests of the Chicago Tract Society.

Request for Rev. J. P. Searle to speak representing the Alliance of Reformed Churches holding the Presbyterian system (Western section).

Request for hearing for Mr. Frank W. Mann of American Bible Society.

Request for hearing for Rev. Judson Swift, in behalf of American Tract Society.

Report and Minutes of Executive Commission of Alliance of Reformed Churches holding Presbyterian system.

Annual Report and Minutes of Council of the Reformed Churches in America, holding Presbyterian system.

Credentials of Rev. J. P. Searle, D. D., to represent Council of Reformed Church in America holding the Presbyterian system and alliance of Reformed Churches.

Communications to the Constituent Bodies from the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America.

Message from Cleveland meeting of Federal Council—"From World War to World Brotherhood."

Request for hearing for Mr. J. Campbell White in behalf of the Inter-Church World Movement.

Request for hearing of Dr. Henri Anet of the Belgian Christian Missionary Church, and Adolf Keller, Swiss Federation of Protestant Churches.

Request for hearing of Rev. Sidney L. Gulick, D. D., on "Paris Peace Conference as Related to Japan and to Immigration."

Request for Appointment of Committee of Co-operation with the Federal Council Commission on Relations with the Orient from Dr. Sidney L. Gulick.

Notice of Formation of Provincial General Assembly of the Presbytery Church in China in Chinese Language with Translations.

All referred to the Committee on Correspondence and Program.

Address of Rev. H. L. Bowlby, D. D.

Address of Mr. Frank H. Mann.

Address of Mr. Duncan J. McMillan.

Address of Rev. John Lamar.

Address of Rev. Judson Swift.

Report of the Permanent Committee on Public Morals.

Recommendation of Resolution on Prohibition by the National Service and War-time Commission of the American churches.

Report of the special committee of the Lord's Day Alliance on Sabbath Observance.

All referred to the Committee on Benevolent Societies.

Address of Mr. J. Campbell White was referred to Committee on Resolutions.

Report of the Permanent Committee on Systematic Beneficence.

Referred to the Committee on Systematic Beneficence.

Invitations for next meeting of General Synod.

Referred to Committee on Next Place of Meeting.

Report of Committee on Church Progress Campaign.

Referred to Special Committee consisting of Revs. E. J. Blekkink, A. T. Broek, T. W. Muilenburg, J. R. Kyle and Elder A. L. Schwab.

Other references were made during the sessions of Synod as follows:

Resolution in regard to the death of Elder George Pool referred to Com. on Correspondence and Program.

Report of Committee on Constitutional Blanks referred to Permanent Committee on Revision of the Constitution.

Cablegram from Rev. Abram Duryee from Naples with greetings from near East.

Telegram from C. V. Vickery cabled from Carpenter from Beirut, Syria, concerning needs in near East.

Both referred to Committee on Resolutions.

Resolution in Report of Com. on Judicial Business in regard to combination of churches referred to Permanent Committee on Revision of the Constitution.

ARTICLE IV.

BOARD OF DIRECTION OF THE CORPORATION.

The following Report with accompanying documents was received from the Board of Direction of the Corporation.

It was referred to the Committee on Board of Direction.

Report of the Board of Direction

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America.

Together with the report of the Treasurer of the Church we respectfully offer the following statement: The Board has held monthly and several special meetings throughout the year. It has exercised the utmost care and judgment in administering the trust committed to it. A majority of the Classes approved the recommendation of the last Synod to amend the 113th Section of the Constitution of the Church so as to increase the membership of the Board to six trustees, by due process of law. As soon as possible the Counsel of the Board, C. V. Pallister, Esq., applied, through the Secretary of State of New York, for legislative permission to change the act of incorporation of Synod. Owing to delays, this request cannot come before the Legislature until it meets January, 1920, the following opinion is submitted by Mr. Pallister: "It would seem to me advisable to have inserted in Section 113 (of the Constitution of the Church) a proviso that, after the passage of the new act by the Legislature of New York and until the next General Synod, the remaining Board of Direction may appoint additional directors to Act." "The General Synod cannot pass an amendment which will be effective until the Legislature authorizes the increase. They can, however, pass an amendment which will become effective as soon as the act is signed by the Governor, and by providing that the present officers appoint additional directors to serve until the next Synod."

The Board recommends such action by the Synod.

The following Legacies have been received: for the Widows' Fund from R. Dwight Clark, \$1,000. For the Disabled Ministers' Fund from Caroline M. Hertzel, \$1,000. From the Church of Schraalenbergh, N. J., Liberty Bond, 3 1-2 per cent., \$50. From Job C. Kenyon, \$2,000. From R. D. Clark, \$1,000. The income for both funds shows a slight increase over the past year.

There has been a net increase of about \$5,000 in interest and rents; the largest since the present treasurer took office 26 years ago. All the real estate owned by the Synod is fully rented.

The Board earnestly re-affirms its suggestion of past years that the Synod exercise the utmost care in incurring expenses and also consider ways and means for reducing the increasing cost of Synod. All such expenses can only be met by assessments on the Churches.

The member of the Board whose term of office expires this year is the Treasurer, Mr. Frank R. Van Nest.

The following is the list of monies received i. e., for the several funds during the year:

The Theological Seminary at New Brunswick, N. J.

Temporary Expenses	\$2,062 93
Alumni Fund, per Rev. Henry Lockwood, Treasurer	175 00

Endowment of the Widows' Fund.

Legacy of R. Dwight Clark	1,000 00
Payment by Ministers at one time, 3 per cent. on \$1,250	37 50
Discount, premium on bonds	5 47

Widows' Fund Income.

From Churches, Individuals and Annual Payments..	11,060 89
Interest on Annual Payments deferred	44 77
Refund, Annuities returned	270 00
Interest on Fund, net	5,744 83
75 per cent. of Annual Payments withdrawn.....	725 85
Payments	16,142 96

Disabled Ministers' Fund.

Legacy, Caroline M. Hertzell	1,000 00
Legacy, Job C. Kenyon	2,000 00
Legacy, R. Dwight Clark	1,000 00
One Liberty Bond, Ref. Church Schraalenbergh, N. J.	50 00

Disabled Ministers' Fund, Income.

Sale, Two \$50 Liberty Bonds, 2nd	93 63
From Churches and Individuals	10,654 16
Interest on fund, net	9,765 72
Payments	17,158 03

Salary Fund of Western Theological Seminary.

By Prof. James F. Zwemer	2,300 00
By Board of Education, R. C. A.	1,500 00
By Collegiate Reformed Church, N. Y.	266 49
By Reformed Church, Lansing, Ill.	45 00

WM. L. BROWER,

President.

JOSEPH R. DURYEE, D. D.,

JOHN M. KYLE,

WILLIAM G. GASTON,

FRANK R. VAN NEST,

Directors.

New York, May 1, 1919.

EQUITABLE BUILDING, 120 Broadway, New York, May 29, 1919.

Mr. William L. Brower, President,
Board of Direction,
Reformed Church in America,
New York City, New York.

DEAR SIR:—Having completed our audit of the books of account and cash transactions as shown by the records of the Treasurer of the Board of Direction for the year ended April 30, 1919, we submit herewith

STATEMENT OF CONDITION

as at April 30, 1919.

CASH SUMMARY FOR YEAR

ended April 30, 1919.

We find that the total amount of bequests and donations, of which the principal is to be invested, is one million seven hundred forty-eight thousand five hundred sixty-seven dollars and thirty-three cents (\$1,748,567.33); also that the total amount of income which will be disbursed subsequent to April 30th, 1919, according to the stipulations of bequests or donations or which is to be paid to the several church boards, is seventy-six thousand two hundred and nine dollars and ninety cents (\$76,209.90); which has been accounted for as shown in the attached statement of conditions.

By a perusal of the cash summary, attached hereto, it will be noticed that the total principal receipts during the year amounted to twenty-one thousand six hundred sixteen and ninety-eight cents (\$21,616.98); while, twenty-one thousand fifteen dollars and two cents (\$21,015.02) was invested, there being four thousand eight hundred thirty-four dollars and twenty-two cents (\$4,834.22) available for investment.

We would call your attention to the fact that during the year ended April 30th, 1919, the proportion of net earnings credited to the Widows' Fund Income amounted to five thousand seven hundred and forty-four dollars and eighty-three cents (\$5,744.83), which together with the contributions by churches and individuals amounting to eleven thousand three hundred seventy-five dollars and sixty-six cents (\$11,375.66), making a total of seventeen thousand one hundred twenty dollars and forty-nine cents (\$17,120.49), from which payments have been made amounting to sixteen thousand eight hundred sixty-eight dollars and eighty-one cents (\$16,868.81).

A similar condition prevailed as to the Disabled Ministers' Fund Income, as the proportion of net earnings credited amounted to nine thousand seven hundred sixty-five dollars and seventy-two cents (\$9,765.72), which, together with the contributions by churches and individuals amounting to ten thousand seven hundred forty-seven dollars and seventy-nine cents (\$10,747.79), making a total of twenty thousand five hundred thirteen dollars and fifty-one cents (\$20,513.51), from which payments have been made amounting to seventeen thousand one hundred fifty-eight dollars and three cents (\$17,158.03).

It will therefore be seen that there is a constant and heavy call upon the income from these invested funds, and if the good work of the past is to be continued or enlarged upon, it would appear to us as important that your representatives to the General Synod earnestly urge the representatives of the churches that if possible they increase the amount of their former contributions.

We have verified the amount shown as balance in the Corn Exchange Bank as well as verified by inspection the several bonds and mortgages, also stocks and bonds as shown in the attached statement of condition. The amount shown as real estate and property consists of the original cost together with subsequent expenditures. We have satisfied ourselves that all cash transactions have been properly accounted for.

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. F. McWHORTER & CO.,
By CHAS. F. McWHORTER,
Certified Public Accountants,
University of the State of New York.

GENERAL SYNOD REFORMED CHURCH IN AMERICA.
STATEMENT OF CONDITION APRIL 30, 1919.

PRINCIPAL FUNDS TO BE INVESTED:

Education Fund	\$230,858 74
Parochial School Fund	11,507 50
Permanent Seminary Fund	200,000 00
Donation of Colonel Henry Rutgers	5,000 00
Permanent Contingent Fund	10,888 00
Widows' Fund	125,014 17
Disabled Ministers' Fund	215,950 25
John Antonides Scholarship Fund	97,111 73
Bequest of Hiram J. Meenk	384 00
James Suydam Professorial Fund	60,000 00
George A. Sandham Scholarship Fund	4,000 00
James Suydam Fund for repairs and improvements, Professorial Dwellings	11,135 00
Mrs. A. Hertzog Legacy for repairs to Peter Hertzog Hall	10,000 00
Board of Foreign Missions	12,206 08
Board of Domestic Missions	15,159 08
Hope College Endowment Fund	53,420 06
A. C. Van Raalte Professorship of Didactic and Polemic Theology in Western Theological Seminary	30,000 00
A. C. Van der Meulen second Professorship in Western Theological Seminary	30,000 00
James A. H. Cornell, Professorship of Historical Theology in Western Theological Seminary..	30,000 00
Fourth Professorship in Western Theological Seminary	10,018 09
Fifth Professorship in Western Theological Seminary	1,000 00
Property and Contingent Fund, Western Theological Seminary	10,681 30
Augustus Elmendorf Theological Educational Fund	2,383 00
Arcot Theological Seminary Fund	58,673 78
Margaret Antoinette Thompson Fund	2,000 00
James Anderson Memorial Fund	1,278 63
G. A. Sage Endowment for support and maintenance of Peter Hertzog Hall	25,000 00
Endowment Fund for support and maintenance of G. A. Sage Library	35,015 00
Endowment Fund for the purchase of books for G. A. Sage Library	20,000 00
G. A. Sage Professorial Fund	50,000 00
James Suydam Legacy for support and maintenance of James Suydam Hall	20,000 00
James Suydam Legacy for repairs and improvements of Seminary buildings and grounds...	20,000 00
Nathan F. Graves Lecture Fund	8,114 00
Church Building Fund	4,728 00
Library Alcove Endowment	18,214 42
Abraham J. Swit's Scholarship Fund in Western Theological Seminary	1,825 00
Angelina Silvernail Fund	25,000 00
Alida Van Schaick Legacy	109,669 10
Library of Theological Seminary, New Brunswick, N. J.	5,000 00
S. Helen Knieskern Annuity	1,000 00
Archibald Laidlie, D. D., Memorial Fund	5,000 00
Ralph Voorhees Fund	25,000 00
Board of Publication	2,193 12
Mrs. Ann Hertzog Memorial Fund	75,000 00
Catskill Church Faculty Fund	5,000 00
Fund for Professorial Dwelling	52 38
Alumni Endowment Fund for Theological Seminary, New Brunswick, N. J.	6,811 01
Property Fund of the Theological Seminary, New Brunswick, N. J.	14,536 48
Museum, Theological Seminary at New Brunswick, N. J., Legacy of John S. Bussing	2,000 00
Legacy of Mrs. Anna H. Carver	25,000 00
Legacy of Rev. Peter Lepeltak in trust for Arabian Missions	1,505 50

Legacy of Mrs. Mary B. Pell for the benefit of the Theological Seminary, New Brunswick, N. J.	13 91
Legacy of Abie J. Bell income, in perpetuity to be credited one-half each to Disabled Ministers' Fund Income and Permanent Seminary Fund Income	220 00
Bequest of Annie M. Van Zandt in trust	4,000 00
	\$1,748,567 33

INCOME FROM INVESTMENT OF FUNDS NOT AS YET DISBURSED:

Education Fund	\$1,965 43
Parochial School Fund	75 10
Permanent Seminary Fund	7,881 83
Donation of Colonel Henry Rutgers	237 06
Widows' Fund	13,008 16
Disabled Ministers' Fund	16,971 94
John Antonides Scholarship Fund	633 86
Bequest of Hiram J. Meenk	2 51
James Suydam Professorial Fund	916 65
George A. Sandham Scholarship Fund	320 68
James Suydam Fund for repairs and improvements, Professorial Dwellings	268 10
Mrs. A. Hertzog Legacy for repairs to Peter Hertzog Hall	265 27
Board of Foreign Missions	292 91
Board of Domestic Missions	355 30
Hope College Endowment Fund	685 48
Fifth Professorship in Western Theological Seminary	46 53
Salary Fund, Western Theological Seminary	3,835 23
Property Contingent Fund, Western Theological Seminary	296 95
Augustus Elmendorf Theological Education Fund	220 21
Expense Account	2,686 97
Arcot Theological Seminary Fund	663 13
Margaret Antoinette Thompson Fund	13 05
G. A. Sage Endowment for support and maintenance of Peter Hertzog Hall	613 18
Endowment Fund for support and maintenance of G. A. Sage Library	879 13
Endowment Fund for the purchase of books for G. A. Sage Library	530 53
James Suydam Legacy for support and maintenance of James Suydam Hall	530 53
James Suydam Legacy for repairs and improvements of Seminary buildings and grounds	530 53
Nathan F. Graves Lecture Fund	377 51
Church Building Fund	119 97
Library Alcove Endowment	398 32
Abraham J. Swit's Scholarship Fund in Western Theological Seminary	84 91
Entertainment Fund	3,387 36
Angelina Silvernail Fund	855 25
Alida Van Schaick Legacy	2,261 85
Library of Theological Seminary, New Brunswick, N. J.	232 63
S. Helen Knieskern Annuity	89 96
Archibald Laidlie, D. D., Memorial Fund	462 05
Board of Publication	52 03
Mrs. Ann Hertzog Memorial Fund	8,006 48
Catskill Church Faculty Fund	462 05
Special Fund for Expenses of Theological Seminary, New Brunswick, N. J.	1,527 59
Alumni Endowment Fund for Theological Seminary, New Brunswick, N. J.	1,195 36
Property Fund of the Theological Seminary, New Brunswick, N. J.	426 31
Museum, Theological Seminary at New Brunswick, Legacy of John S. Bussing	93 05
Contingent Expenses at the Western Theological Seminary	207 53
Legacy of Mrs. Anna H. Carver	1,163 19
Legacy of Rev. Peter Lepeltak in trust for Arabian Missions	70 01

GENERAL SYNOD.

Legacy of Abie J. Bell, income in perpetuity to be credited one-half each to Disabled Ministers' Fund Income and Permanent Seminary Fund Income		10 24	\$76,209 90
REPAIR FUND, unexpended balance			422 24
TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR			\$1,825,199 47
ACCOUNTED FOR AS FOLLOWS:			
Bonds and Mortgages		\$1,374,351 00	
Stocks and Bonds		38,752 02	
			\$1,413,103 02
Real Estate		150,582 29	
Property 25 East 22nd St., N. Y.		81,958 70	
Van Schaick Legacy Real Estate		40,000 00	
			272,540 99
ARCOT SEMINARY FUND:			
Bonds and Mortgages		\$39,550 00	
Stocks and Bonds		9,750 00	
		\$49,300 00	
Real Estate		8,831 18	
			58,131 18
CASH IN CORN EXCHANGE BANK:			
Principal of funds, not invested		\$4,834 22	
Income from investments, of funds, not as yet dis- bursed		76,590 06	
			81,424 28
TOTAL ACCOUNTED FOR			\$1,825,199 47

BOARD OF DIRECTION REFORMED CHURCH IN AMERICA.
CASH SUMMARY.

Year Ended April 30, 1919.

PRINCIPAL:

Balance, May 1, 1918 \$4,232 26

Receipts:

Legacies	\$5,000 00	
Church Contributions	50 00	
Individual Contributions	175 00	
		\$5,225 00
Bonds and Mortgages Repaid		11,425 00
Bonds and Mortgages Repaid (Arcot)		2,250 00
Income credited to or transferred to principal of funds		2,716 98
Total		21,616 98

\$25,849 24

Disbursements:

Bond and Mortgage Loans		\$8,500 00
Liberty Bonds Purchased	\$6,000 00	
Liberty Bonds Purchased (Arcot)	5,750 00	
Liberty Bonds Received as donation	50 00	
		11,800 00
Real Estate		260 00
Property 25 East 22nd St., Alterations....		455 02
Total		21,015 02

Balance, April 30, 1919

\$4,834 22

INCOME:

Balance, May 1, 1918 \$75,980 38

Receipts:

Contingent Expenses, General Synod		\$6,655 16
Entertainment Fund, General Synod....		3,260 03
Widows' Fund, General Synod	\$5,941 35	
From Churches for pastors	3,059 68	
From Ministers for annual payments....	2,104 63	
		11,105 66
Disabled Ministers' Fund		10,747 79
Arcot Theological Seminary		4,117 73
Board of Education for Permanent Seminary Fund		500 00
Rent, Van Schaick Real Estate		2,592 52
Contributions for Salary Fund, Western Theological Seminary		6,011 49
Miscellaneous Contributions		2,480 01
Miscellaneous Refunds		310 21
		47,780 60
Interest	\$71,529 42	
Rents, Real Estate	8,645 88	
Rents received from Boards	8,402 15	
Expenses Refunded	60 16	
		88,637 61

\$136,418 21

Disbursements:

Fund Income Payments	\$70,298 65
Widows' Fund	16,319 68
Disabled Ministers' Fund	16,270 53
Rev. D. Wortman	1,166 63
Entertainment Fund	2,905 83
Expense Account, General Synod	7,353 77
Real Estate Expenses	3,793 05
Bangor Flats Fire Repairs	6,582 00
Property Expenses, 25 E. 22nd St., N. Y.	3,904 83
Expenses apportioned to Boards	4,496 58
Income transferred to Principal of Funds	2,716 98

\$135,808 53

Balance, April 30, 1919

\$76,590 06

TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT.

The General Synod of the Reformed Church in America,
Year Ended April 30, 1919.

Balance brought forward from last report	\$80,212 64
LEGACIES RECEIVED FOR SPECIAL PURPOSES:	
R. Dwight Clark, for Widows' Fund	\$1,000 00
R. Dwight Clark, for Disabled Ministers' Fund	1,000 00
Caroline M. Hertz, for Disabled Ministers' Fund....	1,000 00
Job C. Kenyon, for Disabled Ministers' Fund	2,000 00
	\$5,000 00
CHURCH CONTRIBUTIONS FOR SPECIFIED PURPOSES:	
North Reformed Church, Schraalenburg, N. J. (Liberty Bond Donated)	\$50 00
INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS FOR SPECIFIED PURPOSES:	
Alumni Endowment Fund, by Hy. Lockwood, Treas...	175 00
BONDS AND MORTGAGES REPAID	11,425 00
ARCOT THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY FUND, BONDS AND MORTGAGES REPAID	2,250 00
To Cash received from the following Classes for Contingent Expenses of General Synod, during the year, viz:	
April 30, 1919.	
Classis of Saratoga	1917 374 63
North Classis of Long Island	" 239 40
Classis of Illinois	" 54 99
" " Michigan	" 178 62
" " Kingston	" 93 99
South Classis of Bergen	" 177 74
Classis of Rensselaer	1918 98 49
" " Germania	" 46 76
" " Iowa	" 295 31
" " Dakota	" 81 49
" " Pella	" 113 67
" " Albany	" 185 55
" " New York	" 680 77
" " Greene	" 73 15
" " Chicago	" 227 73
" " Wisconsin	" 185 88
" " Ulster	" 141 83
South Classis of Long Island	" 369 17
Classis of Schoharie	" 57 42
" " Passaic	" 192 67
" " Bergen	" 138 41
" " Hudson	" 103 79
" " Grand River	" 333 18
" " Philadelphia	" 132 28
" " Orange	" 196 54
" " Palisades	" 227 84
South Classis of Bergen	" 217 91
Classis of Westchester	" 184 12
" " Raritan	" 199 02

Classis of Rochester	1918	177 77	
" " Holland	"	281 61	
" " Montgomery	"	258 26	
" " Illinois	"	79 39	
" " Schenectady	"	204 49	
" " Paramus	"	351 29	
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			\$6,655 16

To Cash received from the following Classes for Entertainment Fund of General Synod during the year, viz:

April 30, 1919.			
Classis of Saratoga	1917	\$36 25	
" " Illinois	"	26 71	
" " New Brunswick	"	65 79	
" " Michigan	"	86 76	
South Classis of Bergen	"	86 33	
Classis of Kingston	"	45 65	
" " Rensselaer	1918	44 60	
" " Hudson	"	47 00	
" " Germania	"	21 18	
" " Iowa	"	133 72	
" " Dakota	"	36 90	
" " New York	"	308 27	
" " Greene	"	33 12	
" " Chicago	"	103 13	
" " Wisconsin	"	84 18	
" " Ulster	"	64 22	
" " Palisades	"	103 17	
" " Raritan	"	90 13	
" " Schoharie	"	26 00	
" " Bergen	"	62 67	
South Classis of Long Island	"	167 18	
Classis of Albany	"	84 02	
" " Pella	"	51 47	
" " Grand River	"	150 87	
" " Passaic	"	87 25	
" " Newark	"	164 90	
" " Orange	"	89 00	
South Classis of Bergen	"	98 67	
Classis of Westchester	"	83 37	
" " Rochester	"	80 50	
" " Holland	"	127 52	
" " Montgomery	"	116 95	
" " Philadelphia	"	59 90	
" " Illinois	"	35 95	
" " Schenectady	"	92 60	
North Classis of Long Island	"	133 27	
Classis of New Brunswick	"	71 75	
" " Paramus, account	"	59 08	
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			\$3,260 03

WIDOWS' FUND.

Received Personal Contributions during the year, viz:

April 30, 1919.		
Estate of Rev. J. W. Wickers		\$100 00
Mrs. John D. Parsons, Jr.		100 00
A Friend, Albany, N. Y.		50 00
Legacy of Mrs. Rachel E. Kirk		25 00
C. A. Furman		25 00
Mrs. Elizabeth C. Garretson		25 00
Mrs. Electa H. Jube		12 50
Mrs. Henry Bosch		12 50
Friend in Jersey		10 00
Rev. Lewis Francis, D. D.		10 00
A Sister, at Oak Harbor, Wash.		5 00
Rev. Horace P. Craig		5 00
Rev. A. DeWitt Mason, D. D.		5 00
Liberty Bond, coupon		1 00
Liberty Bond, Convertible Gold Coupon		1 00
Cornelius Lampa, Grand Rapids, Mich.		50
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		\$387 50
Interest on deferred annual payments		44 77

Received from churches, during year, for detail refer to
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Cash received from churches to apply to the credit of
Pastors during the year, viz:

1918.		Ref. Ch.		
May	4.	Interlaken, N. Y., Rev.		
		Geo. G. Seibert	\$20 00	
	6. Fourth	" Kalamazoo, Mich., Rev.		
		John H. Kregel	20 00	
	13. Flatlands	" Brooklyn, N. Y., Chas W.		
		Roeder	30 00	
	14.	" Harlingen, N. J., Rev.		
		Wm. L. Sahler	30 00	
	17.	" Friesland, Wis., Rev. A.		
		Vander Werf	20 00	
	20.	" Flushing, N. Y., Rev.		
		Thos. H. Mackenzie ..	20 00	
	22. Edgewood	" Brooklyn, N. Y., Rev. A.		
		Wouters	30 00	
	22. Grace	" Corsica, S. Dak., Rev. H.		
		M. Pettersson	20 00	
	24.	" Oostburg, Wis., Rev. Pet-		
		er Swart	30 00	
	24. Ger. Ev.	" Hoboken, N. J., Rev. Jno.		
		Rudolph	20 00	
June	5.	" Coopersville, Mich., Rev.		
		A. De Young	20 00	
	7. Gano	" Chicago, Ill., Rev. John		
		Sietsema	9 30	
	12. Bergen	" Jersey City, N. J., Rev.		
		Corn'l's Brett, D. D. ..	20 00	
	13.	" Altamont, N. Y., Rev.		
		Geo. W. Furbeck	20 00	
	17. First	" Jamaica, N. Y., Rev.		
		Robt. K. Wick	40 00	
	17.	" Otley, Iowa, Rev. Peter		
		Grooters	20 00	
	19. First Holl.	" Passaic, N. J., Rev. A. M.		
		Van Duine	20 00	
	20.	" Holland, Neb., Rev. Z.		
		Roetman	15 00	
	21. Second	" Paterson, N. J., Rev. Wm.		
		J. Lonsdale	30 00	
	21.	" Overisel, Mich., Rev. John		
		Steuensberg	20 00	
	26. Second	" Marion, N. Y., Rev. John		
		Wolterink	4 12	
	24. First	" Pella, Ia., Rev. J. Wessel-		
		ink	30 00	
	29.	" Grandville, Mich., Rev. J.		
		G. Brouwer	20 00	
July	1.	" Baldwin, Wis., Rev. A. T.		
		Laman	20 00	
	6.	" Queens, N. Y., Rev. J. S.		
		N. Demarest	20 00	
	6.	" Queens, N. Y., Rev. D. E.		
		Lyon	40 00	
	10.	" Niskayuna, N. Y., Rev. C.		
		P. Ditmars	20 00	
	10. American	" Newburgh, N. Y., Rev. M.		
		Seymour Purdy	8 19	
	11.	" Aplington, Ia., Rev. Geo.		
		Schnucker	25 00	
	11. First Van V.	" Jersey City, N. J., Rev.		
		W. Reese Hart	30 00	
	16.	" Glen Rock, N. J., Rev.		
		David C. Weidner	7 00	
	20.	" Doon, Iowa, Rev. E. S.		
		Schilstra	9 08	
	20.	" Germantown, N. Y., Rev.		
		Benj. F. White	18 00	

	25.	First	Ref. Ch.	Chicago, Ill., Rev. Hy. Schipper	30 00
	26.	Unionville	"	Hawthorne, N. Y., Rev. J. C. Forbes	30 00
	30.	First	"	New Brunswick, N. J., Rev. J. S. Hogan	15 00
Aug.	12.	First	"	Zeeland, Mich., Rev. Hy. Harmeling	25 00
	12.	West Side	"	Chicago, Ill., Rev. H. J. Pietenpol	20 00
Sept.	4.		"	Claverack, N. Y., Rev. H. Hageman	20 00
	10.	Roseland	"	Svea, Minn., Rev. P. Siegers	30 00
	10.	Second	"	Marion, N. Y., Rev. John Wolterink	4 12
	19.		"	Fairview, Ill., Rev. J. P. Winter	20 00
	20.		"	New Kirk, Iowa., Rev. R. D. Douwstra	20 00
	25.	New Concord	"	Ghent, N. Y., Rev. John Black	1 00
	30.	First	"	Coxsackie, N. Y., Rev. Wm. A. Dumont	10 45
	30.	First	"	Sioux Center, Ia., Rev. F. Lubbers	30 00
Oct.	10.	Second	"	Coxsackie, N. Y., Rev. C. F. Stube	20 00
	14.	Bloomington	"	Bloomington, N. Y., Rev. A. A. Zabriskie	20 00
	15.	Collegiate	"	Harlem, N. Y. City, Rev. Edgar Tilton, Jr.	20 00
	15.	First	"	Passaic, N. J., Rev. Edw. Dawson	30 00
	21.	Pella	"	Adams, Neb., Rev. Wm. Rottschaefer	16 00
	23.		"	Florida, N. Y., Rev. R. A. Pearse	5 00
	23.	Third	"	Muskegon, Mich., Rev. John Brock	10 00
	28.	Bethel	"	Leota, Minn., Rev. J. J. V. D. Schaaf	10 00
	26.		"	Linden, N. J., Rev. Wm. Schmitz	5 00
	31.	DeMotte	"	Thaya, Ind., Rev. A. Oosterhof	20 00
Nov.	1.		"	Walden, N. Y., Rev. T. F. Bayles	3 94
	1.		"	Harlingen, N. J., Rev. W. L. Sahler	30 00
	1.		"	Firth, Neb., Rev. S. E. Koster	40 00
	2.	Second	"	New Brunswick, N. J., Rev. John A. Ingham	30 00
	2.		"	Alvord, Iowa, Rev. D. Scholten	7 00
	4.	Staten Island	"	Port Richmond, N. Y., Rev. O. L. F. Mohn	30 00
	4.	First	"	West Sayville, N. Y., Rev. Corn'l Muller	20 00
	1.	First Holl.	"	Wortendyke, N. J., Rev. Wm. Pool	14 60
	6.	Madison Ave.	"	Albany, N. Y., Rev. N. I. M. Bogert	20 00
	7.	First	"	College Point, N. Y., Rev. Henry Sluyter	30 00
	11.	Hamilton Gr.	"	New York City, Rev. John A. Dykstra	6 00
	15.		"	Neshanic, N. J., Rev. Jno. Hart	3 37
	16.		"	Neshanic, N. J., Rev. Jno. Hart	3 56
	18.		"	Boyden, Ia., Rev. A. J. Van Lummel	30 00

	8.	Ref. Ch.	Lester, Ia., Rev. Fred G. Dekker	20 00
	20.	Trinity	" Plainfield, N. J., Rev. Jno. Y. Brock	20 50
	22.	"	" Canajoharie, N. Y., Rev. Victor J. Blekkink	20 00
	22.	Y. L. S., 1st H.	" Wortendyke, N. J., Rev. Wm. Pool	5 00
Dec.	3.	Twelfth St.	" Brooklyn, N. Y., Rev. Jno. C. Rauscher	20 00
	4.	Third	" Holland, Mich., Rev. M. Flipse	20 00
	5.	First	" New Brunswick, N. J., Rev. J. S. Hogan, bal..	5 00
	6.	First	" Grand Haven, Mich., Rev. Hy. Schipper	30 00
	6.	Second	" Marion, N. Y., Rev. John Wolterink	4 72
	11.	"	" Scheboygan Falls, Wis., Rev. Van der Ploeg...	10 00
	16.	"	" Flatbush, N. Y., Rev. J. Fred Berg	40 00
1919.				
Jan.	3.	Linlithgo	" Livingston, N. Y., Rev. M. J. Den Herder ...	20 00
	3.	First	" Hasbrouck Heights, N. J., P. T. Pockman	20 00
	6.	"	" Pompton Plains, N. J., Rev. F. E. Foertner ..	20 00
	7.	Sunday School	" Hospers, Iowa, Rev. Geo. H. Douwstra	20 00
	8.	People's Park	" Paterson, N. J., Rev. Titus Hager	40 00
	8.	American	" Newburgh, N. Y., Rev. M. Seymour Purdy	7 96
	9.	Bellevue	" Schnectady, N. Y., Rev. Cornl's De Young	20 00
	9.	Broadway	" Paterson, N. J., Rev. Simon Blocker	20 00
	11.	Bethany	" Clara City, Minn., Rev. C. Bauer	30 00
	11.	First Roseland	" Chicago, Ill., Rev. J. F. Heenstra	30 00
	13.	"	" Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Rev. C. P. Case	30 00
	14.	"	" Scotia, N. Y., Rev. H. B. Roberts	20 00
	16.	"	" Fultonville, N. Y., Rev. T. A. Hageman	20 00
	16.	Bethel Monroe	" Aplington, Iowa., Rev. E. K. Russmann	40 00
	18.	First	" Hackensack, N. J., Rev. A. Von Schlieder	30 00
	29.	S. Bushwick	" Brooklyn, N. Y., Rev. A. J. Meyer	20 00
	31.	Bethel	" Leota, Minn., Rev. J. J. Vander Schaaf	12 50
Feb.	7.	Sandham Mem.	" Monroe, S. D., Rev. John A. Roggen	20 00
	15.	W. M. S., Gano	" Chicago, Ill., Rev. John Sietsema	5 00
	19.	Third	" Pella, Iowa., Rev. Peter Braak	40 00
	24.	"	" Neshanic, N. J., Rev. Jno. Hart	3 53
	28.	"	" Greenleafston, Minn., Rev. M. J. Duven	20 00
Mar.	5.	Fourth	" Kalamazoo, Mich., Rev. J. H. Kregel	20 00
	7.	"	" Oostburg, Wis., Rev. Peter Swart	30 00
	10.	Hamilton Gr.	" New York City, N. Y., Rev. J. A. Dykstra..	12 00

12.	Seventh	Ref. Ch.	Grand Rapids, Mich., Rev. A. J. Van Lummel	30 00
13.		"	Holland, Neb., Rev. Z. Roetman	10 00
13.	Union Holland	"	Paterson, N. J., Rev. Jno. Luxen	20 00
17.		"	Harrington Park, N. J., Rev. Thomas Adams	20 00
18.		"	Metuchen, N. J., Rev. Fred'k Zimmerman	20 00
19.	First	"	Conrad, Mont., Rev. Wm. Duvon	20 00
22.	Fourth	"	Grand Rapids, Mich., Rev. H. Frieling	20 00
24.	Sixth Holland	"	Paterson, N. J., Rev. H. P. Schuurmans	30 00
26.	First	"	New Brunswick, N. J., Rev. J. S. Hogan	18 00
26.	First	"	Kalamazoo, Mich., Rev. J. J. Hollebrands	25 00
27.	Third	"	Holland, Mich., Rev. M. Flipse	20 00
Apr. 2.	Ramapo	"	Mahwah, N. J., Rev. Ame Vennema	20 00
5.	Bethel	"	Leota, Minn., Rev. J. J. V. D. Schaaf	10 00
5.	First Ger. Ev.	"	Jersey City, N. J., Rev. Geo. C. Muller	40 00
5.	First	"	Somerville, N. J., Rev. Nathl J. Sproul, D. D.	30 88
5.	Clinton Ave.	"	Newark, N. J., Rev. A. T. Broek	20 00
3.	First	"	Little Falls, N. J., Rev. Elmer Mould	20 00
9.		"	Lucas, Mich., Rev. Wm. S. Gruys	5 00
9.		"	Beacon, N. Y., Rev. A. C. V. Dangremond	20 00
9.	Fourth	"	Albany, N. Y., Rev. Fred. Mueller	20 00
9.	American	"	Newburgh, N. Y., Rev. M. Seymour Purdy	3 85
9.		"	Mt. Vernon, N. Y., Rev. Chas. H. Tyndall	20 00
11.	Emmanuel	"	Castleton, N. Y., Rev. E. A. MacCullum	20 00
11.		"	Ellenville, N. Y., Rev. Walter S. Mains	10 00
11.	First	"	Hudson, N. Y., Rev. Jas. M. Martin	20 00
14.	Fifth Street	"	Bayonne, N. J., Rev. Ferd. S. Wilson	40 00
15.	First	"	Somerville, N. J., Rev. N. J. Sproul, D. D., bal.	9 12
15.	First	"	Somerville, N. J., Rev. W. S. Cranmer, D. D.	20 00
16.		"	Clifton, N. J., Rev. J. C. A. Becker	30 00
17.	Holland	"	Clifton, N. J., Rev. J. H. E. Tegrootenhuis	20 00
18.	Free Grace	"	Middleburg, Ia., Rev. H. Douwstra	40 00
18.	First	"	Kalamazoo, Mich., Rev. J. J. Hollebrand	20 00
21.	Grove	"	New Durham, N. J., Rev. I. W. Gowen	20 00
21.		"	Roseland, Minn., Rev. P. Siegers	30 00
21.	Ebenezer	"	Morrison, Ill., Rev. Jean A. Vis	20 00
24.	Hamilton Gr.	"	New York City, Rev. Jno. A. Dykstra	2 00
24.	Hamilton Gr.	"	New York City, Rev. Jno. A. Dykstra	7 71

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25.	Ref. Ch. Fonda, N. Y., Rev. H. P. Cussler	30 00
28.	" Doon, Ia., Rev. E. S. Schilstra	6 50
28.	" Neshanic, N. J., Rev. Jno. Hart	2 25
28. First	" Brooklyn, N. Y., Rev. Jas. M. Farrar	20 00
29. Zion's	" Grand Rapids, Mich., Rev. R. Bloemendal	25 00
30. Broadway	" Paterson, N. J., Rev. Simon Blocker	13 33
30. Fifth	" Philadelphia, Pa., Rev. Chas. F. C. Suckow	20 00
30.	" Interlaken, N. Y., Rev. Geo. G. Seibert	20 00
30.	" Flushing, N. Y., Rev. Thos. H. Mackenzie	20 00
30. First	" Albany, N. Y., Rev. J. S. Kittell	20 00

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Cash received from ministers for annual payments to the Widows' Fund during the year, viz:

1918.			\$10 00
May	3.	Rev. Henride Vries	10 00
	6.	" O. J. Hogan, on account	20 00
	4.	" G. Veenker	20 00
	13.	" B. M. Flikkema	20 00
	17.	" M. V. Oggel	20 00
	20.	" H. Pannkuk	10 00
	22.	" H. M. Pettersson	20 00
June	3.	" Hy. D. Cook	10 00
	4.	" John A. Thurston	20 00
	7.	" John Hoffman	20 00
	24.	" Ira Van Allen	20 00
	26.	" H. W. Brink	20 00
	28.	" John G. Gebhard	20 00
July	1.	" Chas. S. Wright	20 00
	2.	" James F. Zwemer, year 1917	20 00
	2.	" James F. Zwemer, year 1918	20 00
	9.	" E. C. Calverly	20 00
	9.	" A. L. Warnshuis	20 00
	9.	" L. A. Scudder	20 00
	9.	" W. T. Scudder	20 00
	9.	" J. H. Warnshuis	20 00
	9.	" W. G. Hoekje	20 00
	9.	" A. Oltmans	20 00
	9.	" H. V. S. Peeke	20 00
	9.	" A. Pieters	30 00
	9.	" D. C. Ruigh	30 00
	9.	" S. W. Ryder	30 00
	9.	" John Van Ess	20 00
	9.	" James Cantine	20 00
	9.	" B. Rottschaefer	20 00
	11.	" A. Oosterhoff	13 00
	16.	" David C. Weidner	8 64
	20.	" E. S. Schilstra, on account, 1917	2 00
	20.	" Benj. F. White	20 00
	25.	" John Ossewaarde	20 00
	26.	" W. J. Van Kersen	1 81
	27.	" E. S. Schilstra, 1917	30 00
	29.	" John Webinga	20 00
Aug.	2.	" J. E. Lyall	5 00
	2.	" B. Van Heuvelen	20 00
	16.	" G. Hondelink	20 00
	26.	" John S. Gardner, D. D.	20 00
Sept.	4.	" Peter Crispell	20 00
	4.	" Frank S. Scudder	20 00
	9.	" Jas. L. Amerman	20 00
	7.	" L. B. Chamberlain	6 10
	10.	" John Wolterink	20 00
	19.	" Henry Unglaub	

Sept.	20.	Rev. John Baumeister	20 00
	21.	" Geo. W. Labaw	20 00
	27.	" Edw. G. Read	20 00
	30.	" Wm. A. Dumont, balance	9 55
	30.	" A. J. Reeves	20 00
Oct.	1.	" O. J. Hogan, balance	10 00
	2.	" J. O. Van Fleet	20 00
	3.	" P. H. Milliken, D. D.	20 00
	3.	" J. W. Kots, 1917	30 00
	3.	" J. W. Kots, on account, 1918	28 00
	7.	" Geo. W. Gulick	20 00
	7.	" Rich'd H. Harker, balance	15 00
	8.	" G. C. Dangremond	20 00
	8.	" John Luxen	20 00
	10.	" J. Meulendyke	20 00
	11.	" Jas. E. Graham	20 00
	14.	" S. M. Hogenboom	40 00
	16.	" E. J. Blekkink	20 00
	21.	" Wm. Rottschaefer	4 00
	22.	" John L. Stillwell	20 00
	23.	" Lawrence Dykstra	27 90
	23.	" R. A. Pearse	15 00
	23.	" John Broek	10 00
	29.	" Henry J. Scudder	20 00
	29.	" John H. Straks	20 00
	26.	" Wm. Schmitz, balance	5 00
Nov.	1.	" Wm. Pool	25 40
	1.	" D. Scholten	13 00
	1.	" H. Vander Ploeg	20 00
	4.	" W. E. Compton	15 00
	6.	" Ame Vennema	20 00
	7.	" Henri DeVries, on account	10 00
	9.	" Jesse W. Brooks	20 00
	18.	" A. F. Beyer	20 00
	29.	" John Hart	13 07
Jan.	2.	" P. S. Beekman	20 00
	7.	" A. Klerk, on account	10 00
	10.	" S. Vander Werf	20 00
	13.	" Wm. J. Leggett	20 00
Feb.	1.	" J. A. Thurston	10 00
	6.	" J. J. Burggraaff	3 00
	15.	" John Sietsema	5 70
Mar.	3.	" John G. Bosshart	30 00
	12.	" A. DeW. Mason	20 00
Apr.	1.	" Theo. F. Bayles	22 59
	7.	" John H. Gillespie	20 00
	7.	" A. Klerk	10 00
	14.	" Fred'k Stobener	20 00
	22.	" C. L. Palmer	30 00
	24.	" F. S. Schenck	20 00
	24.	" G. DeJonge	20 00
	25.	" J. H. Schoon	20 00
	25.	" W. E. Compton	30 00
	26.	" H. C. Willoughby	30 00
	26.	" F. C. Scoville	20 00
	26.	" H. C. Jacobs	20 00
	26.	" S. C. Nettinga	20 00
	28.	" E. S. Schilstra	3 50
	28.	" J. J. Burggraaff	40 00
	29.	" R. Bloemendal	15 00
	30.	" D. P. Doyle	30 00
	30.	" John Black	17 37
	4.	" G. Andreae	40 00
	4.	" J. A. Thurston	10 00

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DISABLED MINISTERS' FUND.

Received Personal Contributions during the year, viz:

April 30, 1919.	
Am. District Telegraph Co., interest	\$100 00
Mrs. John D. Parsons, Jr.	100 00
Estate of John J. Wickers	150 00

A Friend, Albany, N. Y.	50 00	
E. A. and W.	25 00	
W. W. Kouwenhoven	25 00	
Legacy of Mrs. Rachel E. Kirk	25 00	
Rev. Oscar Gesner	20 00	
Mrs. Electa H. Jube	12 50	
Mrs. Henry Bosch	12 50	
Rev. George Z. Collier	10 00	
Friend in Jersey	10 00	
Rev. Edward D. Read, D. D.,	10 00	
A Friend, Clymer, N. Y.	10 00	
Kingston	10 00	
National Bank, Newburgh, N. Y., dividend	16 00	
Rev. M. V. Oggel	5 00	
A Sister, at Oak Harbor, Wash.	5 00	
Rev. A. A. Zabriskie	5 00	
W. L. B. and F. R. V. N.	4 24	
John Vanderbilt	1 50	
Liberty Bond	1 00	
Liberty Bonds	2 00	
Liberty Bonds	2 00	
Liberty Bond	87	
Liberty Bond, convertible gold	1 00	
Cornelius Lamper, Grand Rapids, Mich.	50	
		<u>\$614 11</u>
Received from Churches, during year, for detail refer to Tabular Statement in Minutes of General Synod, 1919	\$10,035 00	
Sale of Liberty Bonds, sent in as refund of appro- priation	93 63	
Reformed Church, Chatham, N. Y., Abie J. Bell Legacy income	5 05	
		<u>\$10,747 79</u>
ARCOT THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY FUND, interest received		\$4,117 73
BOARD OF EDUCATION: For permanent Seminary Fund		500 00
CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE SALARY FUND OF THE WESTERN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY		6,011 49
MISCELLANEOUS CONTRIBUTIONS: Reformed Church, Chatham, Abie J. Bell Legacy Income Contingent Expenses of Western Theological Seminary For Expenses of the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick, N. J. Publication and Translation of Zwinglis Works	\$5 05 257 03 2,062 93 155 00	
		<u>\$2,480 01</u>
INTEREST RECEIVED FROM INVESTMENTS.....		\$71,529 42
RENTS: Alida Van Schaick Charged to Boards Real Estate owned	\$2,592 52 8,402 15 8,645 88	
		<u>\$19,640 55</u>
MISCELLANEOUS REFUNDS: Rev. Hy. Lockwood, Stated Clerk, unexpended advance for Entertainment Fund Rev. Hy. Lockwood, unexpended advance for Expense Fund Professor J. W. Beardslee Property, 25 East 22nd Street., refund of expenses.... Telephone refunded and exchange on checks	\$185 19 120 00 4 00 60 16 1 02	
		<u>\$370 37</u>
Total		<u>\$235,530 85</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

BOND AND MORTGAGE LOANS	\$8,500 09
REAL ESTATE, cost of obtaining title	260 00

LIBERTY BONDS:

Purchased for General Synod	\$6,000 00
Received as donation to Disabled Ministers' Fund.....	50 00
Purchased for Arcot Theological Seminary	5,750 00
	<hr/> \$11,800 00

PROPERTY, 25 East 22nd St., New York, alterations, etc.	\$455 02
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FUND INCOME PAYMENTS:

Education Fund	\$10,600 29
Parochial School Fund	528 03
Permanent Seminary Fund	9,925 75
Donation of Colonel Henry Rutgers	240 16
JOHN ANTONIDES, Scholarship Fund	4,456 04
Bequest of Hiram J. Meenk	17 63
JAMES SUYDAM, Professorial Fund	2,753 14
GEORGE A. SANDHAM, Scholarship Fund	183 54
JAMES SUYDAM, for repairs and improvements profes- sorial dwellings	510 94
MRS. A. HERTZOG, for repairs to Peter Hertzog Hall....	458 85
BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS	560 07
BOARD OF DOMESTIC MISSIONS	695 58
HOPE COLLEGE ENDOWMENT FUND	2,451 22
A. C. VAN RAALTE PROFESSORSHIP of Didactic and Polemic Theology in Western Theological Seminary.....	1,900 00
C. VAN DER MEULEN second Professorship in Western Theological Seminary	1,900 00
JAMES A. H. CORNELL PROFESSORSHIP of Historical The- ology in Western Theological Seminary	1,900 00
FOURTH PROFESSORSHIP IN WESTERN THEOLOGICAL SEM- INARY	1,900 00
PROF. JAMES T. ZWEMER, Emeritus	1,900 00
PROPERTY AND CONTINGENT FUND of Western Theological Seminary	313 95
ARCOT THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY FUND	3,856 52
AUGUSTUS ELMENDORF THEOLOGICAL EDUCATIONAL FUND	113 22
MARGARET ANTOINETTE THOMPSON FUND	91 77
G. A. SAGE ENDOWMENT, for support and maintenance of Peter Hertzog Hall	1,147 15
ENDOWMENT FUND for support and maintenance of G. A. Sage Library	1,606 70
ENDOWMENT FUND for the purchase of books for G. A. Sage Library	917 71
G. A. SAGE PROFESSORIAL FUND	2,750 00
JAMES SUYDAM, for support and maintenance of James Suydam Hall	917 71
JAMES SUYDAM, for repairs and improvements of Semin- ary buildings and grounds	917 71
NATHAN F. GRAVES LECTURE FUND	757 82
CHURCH BUILDING FUND	216 95
LIBRARY ALCOVE ENDOWMENT	787 91
ABRAHAM J. SWITS SCHOLARSHIP FUND in Western Theo- logical Seminary	83 74
ANGELINA SILVERNAIL FUND	965 62
ALIDA VAN SCHAICK LEGACY	5,628 13
LIBRARY OF THEOL. SEMINARY, New Brunswick, N. J....	229 42
S. HELEN KNEISKEN ANNUITY	9 16
ARCHIBALD LAIDLIE, D. D., Memorial Fund	237 56
BOARD OF PUBLICATION	100 63
SPECIAL FUND for expenses of Theological Seminary, New Brunswick, N. J.	1,697 62
CATSKILL CHURCH FACULTY FUND	237 56
PROPERTY FUND of Theological Seminary, New Bruns- wick, N. J.	666 99
CONTINGENT EXPENSES of the Western Theol. Seminary	304 99
LEGACY OF MRS. ANNA H. CARVER	2,334 94
LEGACY OF REV. PETER LEPELTAK in trust for Arabian Missions	69 06

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LEGACY OF ABBIE J. BELL, income in perpetuity to be credited one-half each to Disabled Ministers' Fund		
Income and Permanent Seminary Income.....	10	10
BEQUEST OF ANNIE M. VAN ZANDT in trust	200	00
PUBLICATION and Translation of Zwingle's Works	155	00
MUSEUM OF THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY at New Brunswick, N. J., Legacy of John S. Bussing	91	77
Total		\$70,298 65
WIDOWS' FUND, Payments		\$16,319 68
DISABLED MINISTERS' FUND, Appropriations		16,270 53
REV. D. WORTMAN, D. D., Services in behalf of Widows' Fund and Disabled Ministers' Fund		1,166 63
ENTERTAINMENT OF DELEGATES, Etc.		2,905 83
EXPENSE ACCOUNT, Sundry Payments		7,353 77
REAL ESTATE, Taxes, Insurance, Repairs, Etc.		3,793 05
PROPERTY EXPENSES, 25 East 22nd St., N. Y., wages of janitor and assistants, also telephone operator..	\$2,713	00
Light, fuel, repairs, etc.....	1,191	83
		\$3,904 83
BALANCE OF REPAIRS TO BANGOR FLATS.....		\$6,582 00
APPORTIONED TO BOARDS:		
Treasurer's Salary	\$3,416	67
Assistants	236	65
Expenses of Treasurer's Office	656	98
Auditors	100	00
Stationery, postage, etc.	60	28
Telephone	26	00
Total		\$4,496 58
Balance on hand April 30th, 1919		\$81,424 28
		<u>\$235,530 85</u>

FRANK R. VAN NEST,
Treasurer.

New York, May 29th, 1919.

The subscribers having examined the accounts of Frank R. Van Nest, with the vouchers exhibited by him, find them to be correct, having a balance of eighty-one thousand four hundred twenty-four dollars and twenty-eight cents (\$81,424.28) in the Corn Exchange Bank. Also bonds and mortgages, stocks and bonds amounting to one million seven hundred and thirty-six thousand four hundred and forty dollars and sixty-four cents (\$1,736,440.64).

JOSEPH R. DURYEE,
JOHN M. KYLE.

EXPENSE ACCOUNT OF THE GENERAL SYNOD.

To Cash, 160 Reports of Board of Direction	\$23 50	
Safe deposit, rent of safe, 1919-20	35 00	
J. D. Wyeth & Co., Inc., Royal, Ind., Co. Treas- urer's Bond	25 00	
Telephone service, June and July, 1918	6 55	
General receipt book for Treasurer	9 25	
H. K. Brewer & Co., memo. books, Widows' Fund, etc.	7 00	
Exchange on out of town cheques	8 89	
Pro rata share of Bullinger's Guide	1 75	
		\$116 91
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. Clk., advance for Synod expenses	100 00	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. Clk., salary to June 3, 1919	500 00	
Rev. C. P. Case, P. Clk., salary to June 1, 1918	300 00	
Rev. C. P. Case, P. Clk., on account to Dec. 1, 1918	150 00	
Rev. C. P. Case, P. Clk., advance on account expenses of Gen. Synod	50 00	
Rev. C. P. Case, P. Clk., expenses on account, \$1,000,000 drive for Disabled Ministers' and Widows' Funds	250 00	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. Clk., paid trav. expenses of Delegates	3,070 62	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. Clk., paid Rev. J. S. Hogan, Com. on Correspondence and Pro- gram	6 00	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. Clk., paid Home News Pub. Co., printing programs	63 00	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. Clk., paid stenography and typewriting	37 00	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. Clk., paid Rev. G. M. Conover, postage and incidental expenses..	1 00	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. Clk., paid Board of Publication, printing report of Com. on Con- stitution Revision	13 00	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. Clk., paid trav. expenses of Ira S. Wile	4 00	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. Clk., paid Press Clerk's expense account	17 31	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. Clk., paid Press Clerk's salary, 1918-19	50 00	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. Clk., paid Reformed Church, Asbury Park	50 00	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. Clk., paid Rev. E. P. Johnson's expenses, Hymnal Com.	9 90	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. Clk., paid W. R. Reed, stationery	4 60	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. Clk., paid postage, ex- penses on baggage, traveling, etc., and extra hotel expense	28 57	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. Clk., paid unexpended balance	20 00	
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. Clk., paid incidental ex- penses, postage, express and trav., etc.....	69 49	
T. E. Crossman, stenographic report of pro- ceedings of Gen. Synod	238 56	
Refund to Delegates, excess payments of trav. expenses, Asbury Park to western points, etc.	135 01	
		\$5,168 06
G. J. Diekema, trav. expenses, etc., to Wash- ington and Calif. with H. Hoover	75 00	
Prof. J. P. Searle, trav. expenses, etc., to Wash- ington and Calif. with H. Hoover	14 00	
Prof. J. P. Searle, trav. expenses, etc., Helder- berg Ch. 150th Anniversary	8 00	
		97 00
Revs. J. G. Gebhard and I. W. Gowen, trav. expenses attdg. meeting Council of Hope College	69 82	

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Rev. P. Moerdyke, trav. expenses attdg. meeting Council of Hope College	1 00	
Members trav. expenses attdg. meeting of Bd. of Supts. Western Theol. Seminary.....	160 52	231 34
Prof. Jas. F. Zwemer, trav. expenses in connection with revising the Constitution in for revision and foundation	29 34	
Prof. J. W. Beardslee, trav. expenses attdg. March meeting Council of Ref. Ch. in United States	8 00	
Prof. J. W. Beardslee, honorarium voted by General Synod	500 00	
Rev. T. H. Mackenzie, trav. expenses attdg. Conf. on Organic Union of other denominations of Ref. Chs.	14 50	
Revs. A. T. Broek and I. W. Gowen, trav. expenses attdg. Executive Committee Federal Council of Churches of Christ in Am.....	29 59	581 43
Insurance of Hope College Bldgs., on account..	594 00	
Rev. Hy. Hospers, expenses of moving Grand Rapids to Holland, Mich.	95 00	689 00
Pro rata of expenses and Alliance of Ref'd Chs.	160 00	
Pro rata of expenses of Federal Council of Chs. of Christ in America	135 00	
Pro rata of expenses of Council of Ref'd Chs. in the United States	50 00	
9,000 Pamphlets on State of Religion in Ref'd Ch. in America	125 00	
	\$7,353 77	
Balance	2,686 97	
	\$10,040 74	
By Cash, Refund exchange on out of town cheques.....		\$ 31
Refund Prof. J. W. Beardslee		4 00
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. C., refund of unexpended balance expenses of Gen'l Synod		20 00
N. Y. Telephone Co. refund on 57 calls		71
Rev. Hy. Lockwood, S. C., advance for Synod expenses		100 00
Contingent expenses and traveling expenses of Delegates		6,655 16
By balance from last account		3,260 56
		\$10,040 74
By balance brought down		\$2,686 97

FRANK R. VAN NEST,
Treasurer.

New York, May 1, 1919.

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ANNUAL DIGEST.

The Board of Direction submits to General Synod its Annual Digest, as follows:
(For Detail of Cash Received or Distributed see Treasurer's Report).

I.

FOR THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, AT
NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J.

	Principal Invested.	Income on hand.
THE "GARDNER A. SAGE ENDOWMENT."		
For the purchase of books for the Gardner A. Sage Library	\$20,000 00	\$530 53
THE "REV. ARCHIBALD LAIDLIE, D. D." MEMORIAL FUND.		
Principal to be invested and income used for seminary printing, exclusive of the Catalogue	5,000 00	462 05
THE ALUMNI ENDOWMENT FUND.		
Balance per statement of condition.....	6,811 01	1,195 36
NATHAN F. GRAVES LECTURE FUND.		
Balance per statement of condition	8,114 00	377 51
THE JAMES ANDERSON MEMORIAL FUND.		
For Elocution	1,278 63	
AUGUSTUS ELMENDORF THEOLOGICAL EDUCATIONAL FUND.		
Legacy of Jane Helen Elmendorf, for education of Theological Students	2,383 00	220 21

	Principal Invested.	Income on hand.
PERMANENT SEMINARY FUND.		
Invested, as per balance sheet	\$156,387 34	
Invested Fourth Professorial Fund	32,597 66	
Invested Thomas DeWitt Professorship	11,015 00	
Interest on hand April 30, 1919		7,881 83
THE "JAMES SUYDAM ENDOWMENT."		
For Professorship of Didactic and Polemic Theology	60,000 00	916 65
THE "GARDNER A. SAGE ENDOWMENT."		
For Professorship of Old Testament Languages and Exegesis	50,000 00	
THE "RALPH VOORHEES" FUND.		
For Professorship of Hellenistic Greek and New Testament Exegesis	25,000 00	
THE "JAMES SUYDAM" LEGACY.		
For maintenance and support of James Suydam Hall	20,000 00	530 53
THE "JAMES SUYDAM" LEGACY.		
For repairs and improvements of the Buildings and Grounds	20,000 00	530 53
THE "JAMES SUYDAM" FUND.		
For repairs and improvements of the Professorial Dwellings	11,135 00	268 10
THE "GARDNER A. SAGE" ENDOWMENT.		
For maintenance and support of the Gardner A. Sage Library	35,015 00	879 13
THE "GARDNER A. SAGE" ENDOWMENT.		
For maintenance and support of the Peter Hertzog Hall	25,000 00	613 18

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	Principal Invested.	Income on hand.
LEGACY OF MRS. ANN HERTZOG.		
"The income to be applied to keeping in good order and repair the Peter Hertzog Hall".....	10,000 00	265 27
LIBRARY ALCOVE ENDOWMENT FUND.		
For maintenance of the Gardner A. Sage Library	18,214 42	398 32
THE "ANGELINA SILVERNAIL" FUND.		
For maintenance and support of the Seminary....	25,000 00	855 25
THE SPECIAL FUND.		
For current expenses		1,527 59
PROPERTY FUND.		
For care and improvement of property.....	14,536 48	426 31
THE "CATSKILL CHURCH FACULTY FUND."		
For administration, lecture, etc.....	5,000 00	462 05
"GEORGE AUGUSTUS SANDHAM SCHOLAR- SHIP."		
Balance per statement of condition	4,000 00	320 68
LIBRARY OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMI- NARY, NEW BRUNSWICK.		
Purchase of books for Vedder Alcove.....	5,000 00	232 63
MRS. ANN HERTZOG MEMORIAL FUND.		
Income to be used in and about P. Hertzog Hall..	75,000 00	8,006 48
LEGACY OF MRS. ANNA H. CARVER.		
Memorial of Mrs. Hertzog	25,000 00	1,163 19

	Principal Invested.	Income on hand.
PROFESSORIAL DWELLING FUND.		
Proceeds of sale of gore of land College Ave. and Seminary Pl.....		52 38
Museum of the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick, N. J.	2,000 00	93 05

II.

**FOR RUTGERS COLLEGE,
AT NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J.**

THE VAN BENSCHOOTEN FUND.

Not on Books but reported by H. P. Schneeweiss, Esq., Treasurer of Rutgers College, Invested on bonds, secured by mortgages			20,000 00
Total amount of Fund			<u>\$20,000 00</u>

Interest Account.

Receipts.

Total interest income for year ending March 31, 1919	1,000 00
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Payments.

Allowance for pulpit supplies and music in Chapel services	<u>1,000 00</u>
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DONATION OF COL. HENRY RUTGERS.

Amount held in trust for Rutgers College.....	5,000 00	237 06
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KNOX FUND.

Not on Books, but reported by H. P. Schneeweiss,
Esq., Treasurer of Rutgers College.

Principal Account.

Present amount of Fund invested in bonds and mortgages	3,000 00
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	Principal Invested.	Income on hand.
Interest account receipts. Balance.....		150 00
Total interest income for year ending March 31, 1919		150 00
		<hr/> \$300 00

(No student in this Fund this year).

III.

FOR HOPE COLLEGE, AT HOLLAND, MICHIGAN.

ENDOWMENT FUND.

Balance per statement of condition	53,420 06	685 48
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IV.

FOR THE WESTERN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, AT HOLLAND, MICHIGAN.

THE ALBERTUS C. VAN RAALTE PROFES- SORSHIP OF DIDACTIC AND POLEMIC THEOLOGY.

Balance per statement of condition.....	30,000 00
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THE CORNELIUS VANDER MEULEN PRO- FESSORSHIP OF BIBLICAL LANGUAGES AND LITERTURE.

Balance per statement of condition	30,000 00
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THE JAMES A. H. CORNELL PROFESSOR- SHIP OF HISTORICAL THEOLOGY.

Invested, as per balance sheet.....	24,000 00
Donald Sage Mackay Scholarship	5,000 00
George Augustus Sandham Scholarship	1,000 00

THE FOURTH THEOLOGICAL PROFES- SORSHIP.

Legacy of John Lemmenes	480 50
Legacy of Jacob Den Herder	1,000 00

	Principal Invested.	Income on hand.
Legacy of Kommer Schaddelee	6,857 09	
Legacy of Rev. Peter Lepeltak	1,505 50	
Contribution, per Prof. J. F. Zwemer.....	1,150 00	
Contribution, per Prof. J. F. Zwemer	25 00	
THE FIFTH THEOLOGICAL PROFESSOR- SHIP.		
Invested as per balance sheet	1,000 00	46 53
Contingent Expense Fund		207 53
PROPERTY AND CONTINGENT FUND.		
Balance per statement of condition	10,681 30	296 95
SALARY FUND.		
Balance per statement of condition		3,835 23
LEGACY OF HIRAM J. MEENK.		
Income to be applied to the support and education of young men preparing for the ministry in the Western Seminary	384 00	2 51
ABRAHAM J. SWIT'S SCHOLARSHIP FUND.		
Balance per statement of condition.....	1,825 00	84 91
V. FOR EDUCATION.		
GENERAL EDUCATION FUND.		
Balance per statement of condition	230,858 74	1,965 43
PAROCHIAL SCHOOL FUND.		
Balance per statement of condition.....	11,507 50	75 10
JOHN ANTONIDES SCHOLARSHIP FUND.		
Legacy of John Antonides, on account.....	97,111 73	633 86
MARGARET ANTOINETTE THOMPSON FUND.		
Income to be applied to poor students preparing for the ministry in the Reformed Church in America	2,000 00	13 05

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Principal
Invested. Income
on hand.

ARCOT THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY FUND.

Invested, as per balance sheet.....	49,300 00	
On hand, uninvested principal	542 60	663 13
Real Estate	8,831 18	

VI.
MISCELLANEOUS FUNDS.

THE WIDOWS' FUND.

Invested as per balance sheet.....	122,763 17	
Legacy, R. Dwight Clark.....	1,000 00	
Payments at one time by ministers.....	1,250 00	
Income on hand April 30, 1919.....		13,008 16

DISABLED MINISTERS' FUND.

Invested as per balance sheet, May 1, 1919.....	211,900 25	
Liberty Bond, North Reformed Church, Schraalen- bergh, N. J.	50 00	
Legacy, Caroline M. Hertzell	1,000 00	
Legacy, Job C. Kenyon	2,000 00	
Legacy, R. Dwight Clark	1,000 00	
	215,950 25	
Balance income on hand May 1, 1919.....		16,971 94

FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Legacy of Nicholas F. Vedder.....	4,386 23	
Legacy of Rev. John Vanderveer, D. D.....	950 00	
Legacy of John Antonides	4,728 00	
From family of the late Rev. Goyn Talmage, D. D.	250 00	
Legacy of Phoebe Cowenhoven	891 85	
Legacy of Jane C. Morris, Morris Memorial.....	1,000 00	
Balance of interest on hand April 30, 1919.....		292 91

ARABIAN MISSIONS.

Legacy of Rev. Peter Lepeltak.....	1,505 50	70 01
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	Principal Invested.	Income on hand.
FOR DOMESTIC MISSIONS.		
Legacy of Nicholas F. Vedder.....	4,386 23	
Legacy of Rachel Ann Ryerson.....	2,000 00	
Legacy of Rev. J. Vanderveer, D. D.....	950 00	
Legacy of Jane Helen Elmendorf.....	953 00	
Legacy of John Antonides	4,728 00	
From the family of the late Rev. Goyen Talmage, D. D.	250 00	
Legacy of Phoebe Cowenhoven	891 85	
Legacy of Jane C. Morris, Morris Memorial....	1,000 00	
Balance of interest on hand April 30, 1919.....		355 30
CHURCH BUILDING FUND.		
Legacy of John Antonides	4,728 00	
Balance of interest on hand April 30, 1919.....		119 97
ALIDA VAN SCHAICK LEGACY.		
Balance per statement of condition.....	109,669 10	2,261 85
S. HELEN KNIESKERN LEGACY.		
Balance per statement of condition.....	1,000 00	89 96
BOARD OF PUBLICATION.		
Legacy of N. F. Vedder.....	2,193 12	52 03
PERMANENT CONTINGENT FUND.		
Balance per statement of condition.....	10,888 00	
FUND FOR ENTERTAINMENT OF SYNOD- ICAL DELEGATES.		
Amount April 30, 1919.....		3,387 36
Annie M. Van Zandt Trust Fund	4,000 00	
Legacy of Mrs. Mary B. Pell for benefit of Theo. Sem., New Brunswick	13 91	
Legacy of Abie J. Bell income to be divided one- half each to Permanent Seminary Fund and Disabled Ministers' Fund	220 00	10 24

ENDOWMENT SCHOLARSHIPS

in the

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARIES, ETC., EAST AND WEST

May 1, 1919.

		Principal Invested.
Van Rensselaer	1,700	00
Wm. Patterson Van Rensselaer	1,700	00
Rutgers	1,700	00
Heyer	1,700	00
Cornell	2,000	00
Wyckoff	2,500	00
Margaret Burgess	1,700	00
John Clark	3,000	00
James Bogert, Jr.	2,000	00
Isaac L. Kipp	1,700	00
Tannake Turk	1,700	00
Richard Cadmus	2,000	00
Stryker	2,000	00
Hornbeck, Two Scholarships	4,000	00
Freeborn	2,000	00
James Bogert, Jr., Second Scholarship	2,000	00
Cuyler	2,000	00
Margaret Ten Eyck	2,000	00
Catalina Ten Eyck	2,000	00
Daniel L. Schanck	3,000	00
Moses Cowen	2,500	00
Bequest of Samuel Gates	1,745	98
Theodore Frelinghuysen De Witt	2,500	00
James Suydam. Four Scholarships	12,000	00
Edward Lansing Pruyn	2,500	00
Maria R. Lefferts	8,402	64
Garret Y. Lansing	2,500	00
Ernest Blois	2,500	00
Bequest of Joshua Hornbeck	2,000	00
Bequest of Ann James	2,500	00
Bequests of James B. Laing	7,500	00
Louisa Hasbrouck	5,000	00
Jacob Polhemus	2,500	00
Abram Storms	2,000	00
Gardner A. Sage. Two Scholarships	5,000	00
Amount carried forward		\$103,548 62

		Principal Invested.
Amount brought forward		\$103,548 62
Bequest of Maria Van Antwerp. For the James Van Antwerp Scholarship	2,522 72	
Bequest of Jane Brinkerhoff	5,000 00	
Bequest of Frederick J. Hosford. For Frederick Hosford Scholarship	2,500 00	
Bequest of David A. Jones	3,000 00	
Bequest of Robert Gaston	2,000 00	
Bequest of John Antonides	97,111 73	
Bequest of Peter P. Schoonmaker	2,850 00	
Bequest of Sarah Benham	7,397 60	
Bequest of James E. Hedges. For James E. Hedges Scholarship	2,500 00	
Bequest of Mary A. Bogardus. For James W. Bogardus Scholarship	3,000 00	
Bequest of Elias J. Hendrickson	10,000 00	
Bequest of Margaret Antoinette Thompson.....	2,000 00	
Bequest of Elizabeth H. Monroe. For Monroe Scholarship	2,500 00	
Sarah Suydam Lott, per Peter Lott.....	3,000 00	
Legacy of Anthony Rue	2,740 00	
Bequest of Dr. Edward L. Beadle. For Edward L. and Adeline Beadle Scholarship	3,500 00	
Bequest of Peter Lott	6,448 78	
Legacy of Nicholas F. Vedder	4,386 23	
Legacy of Peter Wyckoff	50,000 00	
John N. Jansen Scholarships	9,000 00	
Legacy of Catherine Jane Pryer, on account.....	1,200 00	
Legacy of Elizabeth Diehl	500 00	
		<hr/> \$223,157 06
Bequests, etc., for the education of pious young men in preparing for the Gospel Ministry in the Theological Seminaries.		\$326,705 68
Bequest of John Kline	500 00	
Bequest of Nicholas Lansing	600 00	
Bequest of Janet Hinchman	470 00	
Gain on Sale of Government Bonds	468 54	
From family of the late Rev. Goyen Talmage, D. D.	250 00	
Bequest of Sarah V. B. Benham	500 00	
Bequest of Albert H. Randell	476 25	
		<hr/> \$3,264 79
		<hr/> \$329,970 47
New York, May 1st, 1919.	FRANK R. VAN NEST,	Treasurer.

ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES OF GENERAL SYNOD.

May 1, 1919

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America:

In accordance with the resolution of the General Synod, I herewith forward an estimate of the amount necessary to be raised to meet the deficiency in the revenues of Synod for the year commencing May 1st, 1919.

EXPENSES RELATING TO THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AT
NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J.

Salaries of four Professors	\$12,000 00
Salaries, etc., of Stated Clerk of the Board of Superintendents	40 00
Salary, etc., of the Treasurer of General Synod, Apportionment	386 00
	<hr/>
	\$12,806 00

No deficiency.

OTHER EXPENSES.

By balance on hand, May 1, 1919.....	\$2,686 97
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Traveling expenses of Delegates to Corresponding Bodies....	200 00
Salary, etc., of Stated Clerk	525 00
Salary, etc., of Permanent Clerk	325 00
Traveling expenses of Synod's Members of the Board of Superintendents of the Western Theological Seminary and Hope College Council	275 00
Pro rata expenses of Alliance of Reformed Churches.....	160 00
Expenses of meeting of General Synod.....	100 00
Sundries	1,370 00
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	\$2,955 00

Traveling expenses of Delegates to General Synod to be adjusted at this meeting of Synod.

FRANK R. VAN NEST,

New York, May 1st, 1919.

Treasurer.

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY IN INDIA.

Endowment Fund.

Professorships.

The General Synod	\$8,027 24
The Collegiate Church	13,109 82
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	\$21,137 06
Amount carried forward	\$21,137 06

Amount brought forward \$21,137 06

Scholarships Church.

Church at Hudson	\$2,000 00	
Collegiate Church at Harlem	2,001 00	
First Church, Albany	400 00	
Madison Ave. Church, Albany	2,000 00	
First and Fair Sts. Churches, Kingston.....	782 00	
Clinton Ave. Church, Newark	1,255 00	
Flatbush Church	2,000 00	
		<hr/> \$10,438 00

Scholarships Individual.

A Missionary Friend's half	\$1,000 00	
The Family Semelink	2,000 00	
Ormiston Memorial	2,000 00	
S. Talmage Mather	2,000 00	
Greenwood	2,000 00	
Donald Memorial	2,000 00	
Katherine A. Rockwell	2,000 00	
In His Name	2,000 00	
Gamaliel G. Smith	2,000 00	
Thomas and Sarah A. Jessup	2,000 00	
William Brush	2,000 00	
The Erskine Memorial	2,000 00	
		<hr/> \$23,000 00

Total endowment paid in.....		\$54,575 06
Railroad bonds bought below par, difference.....		44 01
Gain on 12 shares Flatbush Gas Light Co. Stock		58 50
Gain on sale of Brooklyn City R. R. Co. Stock and		
Bond	1,891 87	
Gain on sale of One Bond Cedar Falls and Minne-		
sota R. R.	46 25	
Gain on sales of Brooklyn real estate	483 60	
Gain on sale of St. Joseph and Grand Island R. R.		
Stock	759 18	
		<hr/> \$57,858 47
Legacy of Sara J. Monteath	1,000 00	
		<hr/> \$58,858 47
Note of Maurice E. Viele, deceased, not paid, can-		
celled	200 00	
		<hr/> \$58,658 47

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Sale 2 shares 1st Ref. and 1 share 2nd Ref. stock
Wheeling and Lake Erie R. R.....

15 31

\$58,673 78

The Fund at the present time amounts to \$58,673 78.

During the year just closed \$3,844.52 have been received, amount being interest, etc., received on the invested Fund.

Balance of income on hand May 1, 1919, \$663.13.

FRANK R. VAN NEST,

New York, May 1st, 1919.

Treasurer.

The Committee on Board of Direction of the corporation rendered their Report, which was accepted and adopted.

To the One Hundred and Thirteenth Session of the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America.

Fathers and Brethren:—There have been received by the Committee on the Board of Direction the following matters:

First. The Annual Report of the Board of Direction with the Report of the Treasurer of Synod thereto annexed.

Second. Certain questions raised in the Report of the Board of Direction which call for the action of Synod.

Third. Various matters referred to the Committee by the Stated Clerk of Synod on which action would seem to be necessary.

1. Your Committee would therefore respectfully report that from the Annual Report of the Board of Direction, it appears that an audit has been made by Charles F. McWhorter & Co., Certified Public Accountants of the City of New York, covering the financial condition and the cash summary for the year ending April 30, 1919, from which it appears that they have examined and verified the bonds, mortgages, and stocks, and the amounts shown as balances. They certify that they have satisfied themselves that all cash transactions have been properly accounted for. The printed report has been checked against the originals signed by the Treasurer and found to agree therewith.

The Board reports that the total contributions for the Widows' Fund for the past year were \$17,120.49 and for the Disabled Ministers' Fund, the sum of \$20,513.51, showing in both cases an increase over the amount received last year. It also appears from the Report of the Board of Direction that there has been a net increase of about \$5,000 in interest and rents, the largest since the present Treasurer took office, 26 years ago, and that all the real estate owned by the Synod is fully rented.

The Board of Direction earnestly affirms its suggestion of past years that the Synod exercise the utmost care in incurring expenses, and also consider ways and means for reducing the increasing cost of Synod.

2. The member of the Board whose term of office expires this year is the Treasurer, Mr. Frank R. Van Nest. The term of office of Mr. Van Nest as Treasurer also expires this year, and the term of office of Mr. William L. Brower, as President of the Board of Direction, expires this year. The Committee, therefore, offers the following resolutions for adoption by the Synod:

First: Resolved, That the Report of the Treasurer be accepted and approved and incorporated into the records of Synod.

Second: Resolved, That Mr. William L. Brower be and he

hereby is elected President of the Board of Direction, to serve for the term of one year.

Third: Resolved, That Mr. Frank R. Van Nest be and he hereby is elected a member of the Board of Direction, to serve for the term of five years, and

It is further resolved, That said Frank R. Van Nest be and he hereby is elected Treasurer of the General Synod for the term of one year next ensuing, at an annual salary of \$3,500, payable quarterly, upon his executing and delivering to the Board of Direction a bond in the penal sum of \$10,000, conditioned upon the faithful performance of all the duties of his office, and on such terms, and in such form as may be approved by the Board of Direction and with a surety company thereon as surety, to be approved by such Board, the premium on such bond to be paid from the funds of Synod.

Fourth: Resolved, That the following appropriations be made under the precedents and practice established in 1909, (minutes 1909, pp. 359-360), and be chargeable upon the assessments upon the classes for the year 1919-1920.

(a) A sum not to exceed \$160 for the expenses attaching to membership in the Alliance of the Reformed Churches throughout the world, being the allotment or pro rata of the Reformed Church.

(b) A sum not to exceed \$50 for the expenses attaching to membership in the Council of the Reformed Churches in the United States holding the Presbyterian System, being the pro rata or allotment of the Reformed Church.

(c) A sum not to exceed \$135 for the expenses attaching to membership in the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, being the allotment or pro rata of the Reformed Church.

Fifth: That the Synod authorize and direct the Treasurer of Synod to assess the Classes for the entertainment of the delegates to Synod to an amount not to exceed two and one-half cents per communicant member.

Sixth: Resolved, That the Synod authorize and direct the Treasurer of Synod to assess the Classes pro rata to meet the traveling expenses of the delegates to Synod to an amount not to exceed the sum of \$4,000.

Seventh: Resolved, That the Synod authorize and direct the Treasurer of Synod to assess the Classes pro rata to meet the contingent expenses of Synod to an amount not to exceed the sum of \$4,200.

We have had referred to us a request from The Grand Avenue Reformed Church of Asbury Park, New Jersey, asking for an allowance from the Board of Direction of the sum of One Hundred Dollars for entertaining Synod this year, instead of the sum of Fifty Dollars heretofore paid, and stating that the previous allowance is

insufficient to pay the actual expenditures of the Church. As to this request the Committee recommends that the sum of \$100 be paid to said Church for this purpose, instead of the sum of \$50 heretofore paid, and that Synod express its appreciation of the hospitality it has enjoyed therein.

A request has come from the Classis of the Cascades to be exempted from the payment of one-half of the Synodical assessments, which is adopted by the Particular Synod of Chicago. The Committee presents, as to this request, the following resolution:

Resolved, That whereas, a similar request from this Classis sent to General Synod last year, to be statelily relieved by a General Resolution and exempted from all Synodical assessments, was declined by Synod, but the said Classis was relieved from such assessment for the year beginning May 1st, 1918, and whereas the request this year to be exempted from paying one-half the said assessment shows a praiseworthy attempt on its part to pay the Synodical assessment, we recommend that said Classis be exempted from the payment of one-half of the assessment for the year beginning May 1, 1919.

We have also received from the Classis of New York a communication adopted by its Committee on Accounts and Assessments as follows:

Resolved, That Classis protest against the constantly increasing expenses voted by General Synod to be raised by assessment on the Churches.

We have also received a communication from the Stated Clerk of General Synod, relating to this matter, which we deem it wise to insert in full in the Report at this point, believing that it will give to our Classes and Churches satisfactory information on this question:

CLASSICAL ASSESSMENTS

"In reference to the protest that has been made by a Classis against the constantly increasing assessments upon the Classis; it might be well to put in a word of explanation at this time.

Going back to the year 1916, when the Synod met at Holland, Michigan, we find that there was a heavy travelling expense to meet, and the assessment to meet that was inadequate, the attendance at that Synod being unusually large—about 190 delegates. The entertainment expense at that Synod was also much larger than anticipated; and there was a deficit of about \$1,500 which came upon the assessment for the year 1917. The travelling expenses for the year 1918 increased about 25 per cent. on account of the increase in railroad rates. This year the increase in traveling

expense is about 50 per cent. over two years ago and amounts to about \$1200 more than two years ago.

In the last five years the entertainment has increased from \$1.50 per day to \$2.00, and then to \$2.50, an increase of 66 per cent. Contingent expenses have been about the same, with some special expenditures each year, which have not affected the contingent expense to any large extent.

The main increase has come through increase in entertainment and travelling expense—50 per cent. increase in travelling expense and 66 per cent. in entertainment.

Can we expect to keep the expense figure anywhere near that of five years ago, while the cost of living has increased from fifty to one hundred per cent.?

But what is the actual assessment on the Classes? or what is the overhead expense in our denomination? In the Classis of New Brunswick, the assessment last year was 10 cents per member. It has been 8 and 9 cents for years. In this Classis the increase is about 25 to 30 per cent. The Presbytery of New Brunswick assessed its members 12 cents this last year.

Here is a denomination about 10 times the size of our own, with an overhead expense 20 per cent. greater, and about one-half the per capita representation in General Assembly.

It is hard to obtain figures for comparison concerning the Congregational or Baptist Churches as each church is more or less independent. But the Methodist Church will serve excellently for comparison. The overhead expense of the Methodist Churches in this same district is from 75 cents to \$1.00 per member.

A denomination 40 times the size of our own, with an overhead expense, 7 to 9 times as great!

The comparison does not need to be carried further. But it would seem that the larger the organization, the greater is the per capita overhead expense.

And it would also seem to be a fact that the overhead expense of the Reformed Church in America is as small as, if not less than, any other denomination."

In view of the foregoing explanation, your Committees make no recommendation as to this protest.

In the Report referred to us is an item showing real estate held by Synod, amounting to the sum of \$150,582.29, which we believe to be the item of \$143,822.29 reported last year, together with some additional real estate which now appears to be owned by the Board of Direction.

We recommended last year that this real estate be sold, and that a list of such real estate be incorporated in the Report of the Board of Direction this year. This \$150,582.29 in real estate does not appear

to produce a net income much in excess of 3 per cent. We, therefore, repeat our recommendation of last year, that the said real estate be sold, and the proceeds invested, so as to produce a suitable income. We do not know what this real estate consists of as the list requested by us last year has not been incorporated in the Board's Report.

Your Committee has received from the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America a communication showing a resolution of the Council taken at its annual meeting, Atlantic City, in December, 1918, as follows:

"Voted, in reference to the overture of the Committee of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A. regarding expenses of members of the Executive Committee, that a communication be sent to the constituent churches of the Council, that they should regard the payment of traveling expenses of their delegates to the Federal Council, and to the meetings of the Executive Committee, as an additional item in their support of the Federal Council."

As to this communication, it is the opinion of the Committee that the amount above appropriated for the expenses attaching to membership in the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, and for contingent expenses, is a sufficient compliance with this request.

The Board of Direction in its Report recommends action in the matter of perfecting amendments to Section 113 of the Constitution of the Reformed Church in America recommended by the General Synod of 1918, and sent down to the Classes, by authorizing and making necessary applications to the Legislature of the State of New York, which by reason of delay has not been done, and which cannot now be done before the convening of the next Legislature in January of 1920.

The following is a copy of Section 113 of the Constitution as it is proposed to be amended, as recommended by the Synod of 1918, and approved by the Classes:

Section 113: The Board of Direction of the Corporation of General Synod shall consist of six persons elected by the General Synod in accordance with its articles of Incorporation. These members of the Board of Direction shall be elected at the stated meeting of the General Synod and shall serve for three years. They shall be divided into three classes of two members each, and the term of two members shall expire at each stated meeting of The General Synod.

The General Synod at its stated meeting shall elect one of the members of the Board of Direction to be its President for one year.

The Board of Direction as soon as it has been constituted by the General Synod shall elect a treasurer of the General Synod and

of the Board, to serve for one year, such Treasurer need not be a member of the Board of Direction, and unless previously elected thereto by General Synod he shall have no vote therein. He shall execute and give a bond approved by the Board for the faithful and satisfactory performance of his duties and at its expense.

The By-Laws of the Board of Direction must be approved by the General Synod and may be amended only by the latter and at its stated meeting.

The Board of Direction shall report to the General Synod at its stated meeting a full statement of the funds, receipts and expenditures, during its fiscal year. The fiscal year shall be from May 1 to the following April 30th.

And Whereas said proposed amendment to Section 113 of the Constitution of the Reformed Church in America has since been duly acted upon by the Classes and more than two-thirds of the Classes have approved the same.

We, therefore, offer the following resolutions and recommend their adoption by Synod:

First. Resolved, That The General Synod of the Reformed Church in America, at its stated meeting, held at Asbury Park, N. J., in June, 1919, does hereby declare that the proposed Amendment to Section 113 of the Constitution of the Reformed Church in America shall be and become an authoritative part of the Constitution of the Reformed Church in America, provided that said Amendment shall become operative and in force after permission therefor has been obtained from the Legislature of the State of New York, or any other body or court having jurisdiction in the premises.

Second. Be It Further Resolved, That General Synod petition the Legislature of the State of New York for permission to substitute the aforesaid amendment of the Constitution in place of the present Section 113, such Amendment to become effective on June 7, 1920, at which time General Synod is to be in regular session, and will be able to fulfill the requirements of the Amendment in electing a new Board of Direction in pursuance of the specifications and requirements of the amended Section 113 of the Constitution.

Third. Be It Further Resolved, That the election of the new directors of the corporation, and the organization thereof, shall be done and accomplished at the stated meeting of General Synod to be held in June, 1920, and in the meantime said Board as now constituted shall continue to act as the Board of Direction of the Corporation.

Fourth. And Be It Further Resolved, That necessary steps be taken and the necessary applications be made to the Legislature of the State of New York, or to any other body or court, having jurisdiction in the premises, to obtain authority and permission to make

the changes contemplated by the amendment to Sec. 113 of the Constitution of the Reformed Church in America, and that a Committee be appointed to consist of three members, the President, Stated Clerk, and the Permanent Clerk of General Synod, whose duty it shall be to take the necessary steps provided for in this resolution, and with power to said Committee to employ counsel if necessary.

Dated Asbury Park, New Jersey, June 9th, 1919.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE TIFFANY, *Chairman*,
E. COVERT HULST,
R. Y. SUTPHEN,
C. W. OSBORNE,
THOS. J. WOOD,
WILLIAM BELLINGER,
HENRY P. SCHNEEWEISS,
G. H. WORMHOUDT,
HERMAN BROWER.

ARTICLE V.

PROFESSORATE AND THEOLOGICAL SEMINARIES.

The following Reports were received and referred to the Committee on Professorate.

Annual Report of the Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick, N. J.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America:

The Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick, N. J., met in the chapel of Hertzog Hall, Wednesday morning at ten o'clock, May 21, 1919.

All members of the Board were present except representatives from the Classes of South Long Island, Newark, Palisades, Poughkeepsie, Rensselaer, Westchester; and the members from the Particular Synod of Albany and New York.

Rev. Peter Crispell was elected President and Rev. Charles G. Mallery, Temporary Clerk.

The annual report of the Faculty was read, showing that the following students were in attendance during the year:

POST-GRADUATE

Rev. Marion Gerard Gosselink, South Branch, N. J., A. B (Hope College, 1915).

SENIOR CLASS.

Charles Henry Campbell, New York City, A. B. (College City of New York, 1915).

•Douwe De Boer, Hull, Iowa. Hope College.

John Gabriel Gebhard, Jr., Mount Vernon, N. Y., A. B. (Hope College, 1916).

Erich Theodore Muller, Jersey City, N. J., Bloomfield Seminary, Academic Department.

*Alexander Turner Paxson, New Brunswick, N. J.

George Steininger, Woodhaven, N. Y. A. B. (Hope College, 1916).

*Paul Van Erden, New Brunswick, N. J.

Frederick Zimmerman, Paterson, N. J. Rutgers College.

MIDDLE CLASS.

Charles Edward Bloodgood, Catskill, N. Y., A. B. (Rutgers College, 1917).

‡Hugh St. Leger Booth, Yokohama, Japan, A. B. (Hamilton College, 1914).

Martin Eugene Flipse, Montville, N. J., A. B. (Hope College, 1916).

Lawrence Henry French, North Plainfield, N. J., B. Sc. (Rutgers College, 1917).

Tiede Hibma, Orange City, Iowa, A. B. (Hope College, 1917).

George Carl Hock, Newark, N. Y.

James Edward Hoffman, Overisel, Mich., A. B. (Hope College, 1917).

‡Robert Wyckoff Searle, New Brunswick, N. J., A. B. (Rutgers College, 1915).

*†John Christian Tanis, Paterson, N. J.

‡George Henry Whisler, Buskirk, N. J., A. B. (Rutgers College, 1916).

**Arthur Winfield Winter, Mahwah, N. J., A. B. (Hope College, 1917).

JUNIOR CLASS.

William Arthur Burner, Upper Montclair, N. J.

John J. De Boer, New Brunswick, N. J., A. B. (Hope College, 1915); A. M. (Uni. Michigan, 1916).

*Not taking Hebrew and Greek.

**Left during the year.

‡On leave of absence for war service.

*Not taking Greek.

†A licentiate of the Presbyterian Church.

¥*Antonio Del Monaco, New Brunswick, N. J.

²John August Hitzelberg, Brooklyn, N. Y., A. B. (Rutgers College, 1905).

‡John Seymour Moore, New York City, A. B. (Hope College, 1917).

**Walter Augustus Scholten, Valley Springs, S. D., A. B. (Hope College, 1918).

Arthur Henry Voerman, Paterson, N. J., A. B. (Hope College, 1918).

SPECIAL STUDENT.

Royal Franklin Nicholas, New Brunswick, N. J., A. B. (Rutgers College, 1918).

Reports were received from the Committees on the Reception of Students and the Mid-Winter Examinations. The Committee on the Written and Oral Examinations, just completed, were also received. These showed that the students had done faithful work.

Messrs. French, Hock and Scholten, two of whom had been absent a part of the year on account of war work, petitioned with the approval of the Faculty, for permission to take certain examinations in September, or earlier. The petition was granted and the Faculty directed to make arrangement for such examinations. With these exceptions all of the members of the Middle and Junior Classes were duly advanced, and professorial certificates were granted to the members of the Senior Class.

Messrs. Booth, Searle and Whisler are still absent on leave of absence for war service. Mr. Searle, in view of the prospect of long delay in the return from France, received "school leave" from his regiment and is taking the spring term in Edinburgh University. He and Mr. Whisler are expected to return in September. Mr. Booth may not be able to do so on account of the severe illness from which he is suffering.

Messrs. Zimmerman and Hoffman have been the George Augustus Sandham Scholars of the Senior and Middle Classes respectively. The Rev. Edward Lodewick Prize for preaching has been awarded to Mr. Zimmerman.

‡On leave of absence for war service.

*Not taking Hebrew and Greek.

¥Not a candidate for a professorial certificate.

²Entered the second semester.

The Lectors, Dr. Gillespie and Rev. Simon Blocker, and the Acting Lector, Dr. Beardslee, Sr., have performed faithful and valuable service. The Board recommends that they be engaged to continue their important work.

The Committee on the Nomination of a Professor of the English Bible and Christian Education reported that they had held several meetings and given earnest and continued consideration to the matter. They had been unable to reach a conclusion fully answering to the duty charged upon them. They recommended an arrangement for the course or courses in Christian Education for the coming year, assuming at the same time that the arrangement made for the course or courses in the English Bible the past year be allowed to continue. The Board approved their recommendation that Mr. Edward P. St. John, lately Professor at Hartford School of Pedagogy and at Boston University, now Professor of Education at the Y. W. C. A. Training School in New York City, be instructor in Christian Education at a salary of \$650, for the year 1919-1920, to give a course or courses during a half year.

President Edward L. Southwick of the Emerson College of Oratory, Boston, gave his usual and valuable week of instruction in Pulpit Oratory. Professor Barbour, of Rutgers College, has given his valued instruction in the Art of Expression.

Mr. Dietman has given twelve evenings of two and a half hours each, as Instructor in Music, with continued appreciation on the part of the students.

A successful Missionary Conference of the Seminary and representatives of the Mission Boards of our Church was held in April.

Rev. Cornelius Woelfkin, D. D., Litt. D., gave the Faculty Lectures on the Christian Ministry.

Edgar Banks, Ph.D., archeologist, gave an instructive lecture on his personal explorations in Mesopotamia.

Rev. J. Addison Jones, D. D., gave a vitally interesting and helpful address on his experiences in war work.

Lectures and addresses were also given before the Society of Inquiry by

Rev. E. G. W. Meury, D. D.,
Rev. Simon Blocker,
Prof. Harry Lewis,
Prof. Frank App,
Mr. William T. Demarest,
Rev. Wm. I. Chamberlain, D. D.,
Prof. Alva Agee,

Dr. Carl Kumm,
Mrs. Sites,
Mr. M. F. Potter,
Rev. James Dykema,
Rev. E. F. Romig,
Dr. J. G. Lipman,
Rev. J. R. Sizoo.

Five of these were missionary addresses. Four were on the Country Church and its relations.

Professors Johnson and Raven represented the Seminary in the Conference of Theological Professors at Cambridge, Mass., in the summer of 1918. Professor Searle was appointed to represent the Seminary as a member of the Continuation Committee appointed by this Conference.

Professor Johnson represented the Seminary at the Centennial Exercises of the Auburn Theological Seminary in October, and of the General Theological Seminary in New York in May.

The following action was taken:

Resolved, That the Board requests the General Synod to continue the employment of the Lectors, Dr. Gillespie and Rev. Simon Blocker, and the Acting Lector in the English Bible, Dr. Beardslee, Sr.

Resolved, That the Board recommends to the General Synod that the salary of Rev. Simon Blocker, Lector in Biblical Theology, be increased to \$750, if the funds can be procured.

Resolved, That the General Synod be requested to engage Mr. Edward P. St. John as Instructor in Christian Education, for the coming year, at a salary of \$650.

Resolved, That the Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick respectfully and with great earnestness requests the General Synod to restore the salary paid each Professor of Theology at the Seminary to \$3,000, if this be possible or can be made possible. They present this action in view of the fact that many years ago the salary was \$3,000, and that reduction from this figure to \$2,500 was made in a period of financial depression, after offer of the professors to this effect, that since that time there has been restoration of only \$250 to the salary, that the expense of living has greatly increased in recent years, and that a less salary than \$3,000 does not comport with the dignity and importance of the position which the professors occupy and the work which is committed to their charge.

Resolved, That a copy of the preceding resolution be transmitted to the Committee on the Finances of the Seminary, as well as to the General Synod.

Resolved, That the churches be requested to make larger gifts to meet the increasing expense incurred in the maintenance of Hertzog Hall.

Vacancies occur in the following Classes: South Bergen, Kingston, Palisades, Paramus, Schenectady, Schoharie, Ulster, and Westchester; and one in the Particular Synod of New York.

The following committees were appointed:

RECEPTION OF STUDENTS.

Rev. W. H. S. Demarest, D. D.,

Elder Austin Scott, LL.D.

Rev. Edgar Tilton, Jr., D. D.,

Rev. A. T. Broek,

MID-WINTER EXAMINATIONS.

Rev. W. H. S. Demarest, D. D., Rev. J. A. Van Neste,
Elder Austin Scott, LL.D.

WRITTEN EXAMINATIONS.

Rev. C. D. F. Steinfuhrer, D. D.,	Rev. Edgar Tilton, Jr., D. D.,
Rev. J. M. Farrar, D. D.,	Rev. Henri de Vries,
Rev. I. W. Gowen, D. D.,	Rev. A. von Schleider,
Rev. Herman Hageman,	Rev. C. P. Ditmars,
Rev. T. P. Vernoll,	Rev. A. T. Broek,
Rev. Peter Crispell,	Rev. C. G. Mallery,
Rev. C. Van Oostenbrugge,	Rev. W. R. Hart.

The President of the Board, Rev. Peter Crispell, was elected to address the graduating class next year, and Rev. Martin Flipse was appointed his alternate.

The Commencement Exercises were held in Kirkpatrick Chapel on Thursday morning, May 22nd, at 11.45. The Professorial Certificates were presented by Professor John H. Raven, D. D. The address to the graduating class, on behalf of the Board of Superintendents, was delivered by the retiring President, Rev. Edgar Tilton, Jr., D. D. Rev. J. Frederic Berg, Ph.D., D. D., delivered the Alumni Oration.

CHARLES G. MALLERY,
HERMAN HAGEMAN,
G. H. HOSPERS,
Committee.

Attest: JASPER S. HOGAN,
Stated Clerk.

Report of the Permanent Committee on the Finances of the Theological Seminary, at New Brunswick.

General Synod's Permanent Committee on the Finances of the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick respectfully presents its twenty-second annual report.

The Committee has accepted the resignation of Mr. William N. Clark, long a representative in the Committee of the Board of Direction, with deep regret. Mr. Clark's influence, counsel and faithfulness have been a valued asset, just as they have been in the Board of Direction itself. Mr. Clark's successor will be elected on the nomination of the Board he so wisely represented.

The additions to endowment during the past year amount to \$2,289.97. The gifts of the churches for current expenses have been \$2,062.93.

There are three special needs of the Seminary which this Committee, representing the bodies administering the educational, financial, and property sides of the Seminary's life, would urge upon the churches to which it belongs and to which it ministers. They are:

1. An increase in income for the care of the property through increased annual gifts or increased endowments. The property has been increased. The buildings are growing older. Of the increase in the cost of labor and of fuel we all know. Ten thousand dollars added to the Property Fund; or five hundred added yearly for current expenses are necessary if the sanitary, economic, educational upkeep of the physical side of the Seminary is to be what the Church we are sure desires.

2. Funds are in hand for the salary of a sixth professor. We have an appropriate site for his home but we have not the home nor the money with which to build it. Here is an opportunity for an individual gift which would be much appreciated.

3. The Gardner A. Sage Library has far outgrown the Gardner A. Sage Library Building. It is still rapidly increasing. The building is planned to be one of an associated group. Here is an opportunity for a memorial to some one of good name, at once effective and practically useful.

The offerings of the churches for current expenses we would remind the Synod are equally divided between the educational and property needs of the institution. As to the first they are indispensable for missionary training and that in music and elocution. As to the latter they are indispensable in the care of the property at almost any point.

We recommend the passage of the following resolution:

That General Synod urges every one of its churches in the East to give its members an opportunity for contributing to the Seminary at New Brunswick, the Churches' own institution.

The Committee, having been informed that the Board of Superintendents has included in its report to General Synod a suggestion or request as to the restoration of the full amount of the salaries formerly given to the Professors at New Brunswick, a restoration frequently promised to be made when funds should be available, desires to inform the Synod that at the prevailing rate of interest and with the increase in the principal of these funds, the time for the fulfillment of the promise has arrived. But lest, owing to the possible fluctuation in the rate of interest, Synod should be embarrassed by pledging the full amount we suggest the following

resolution for reference to the Committee on the Board of Direction and for the favorable action of the Synod if this Committee shall concur:

Resolved, That until further action by this General Synod, the Board of Direction be instructed to pay to each of the five professors in the Seminary at New Brunswick, from the income of funds reserved for that purpose \$3,000 per annum, or as near an amount to that sum as this income shall permit.

JOSEPH R. DURYEE,
F. R. VAN NEST,
J. ADDISON JONES,
EDGAR TILTON, JR.,
EBEN E. OLCOTT,
J. P. SEARLE,
W. E. FLORANCE,
E. COVERT HULST,
SAMUEL ROWLAND,
Committee.

This Report was read to the Synod and adopted.

Annual Report of the Board of Superintendents of the Western Theological Seminary.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America:

The Board of Superintendents of the Western Theological Seminary met in Semelink Family Hall, Holland, Mich., May 13, 1919. The meeting was called to order by Rev. Ralph Bloemendal and prayer was offered by Rev. Thos. E. Welmrs.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

Ex-officio Jas. F. Zwemer, D. D., President of the Faculty.

FROM THE PARTICULAR SYNODS.

From the Synod of New York—Rev. Jas. M. Farrar, D. D.

From the Synod of Chicago—Rev. Peter Moerdyke, D. D., Rev. John Engelsman, Rev. G. Tysse, Elders H. E. Langeland and Herman Teninga.

FROM THE CLASSES.

Cascades—Rev. T. W. Muilenburg.

Chicago—Rev. H. J. Pietenpol.

Dakota—Rev. David McEwan.

Germania—Rev. Henry Huenemann.

Grand River—Rev. Abraham De Young.
 Holland—Rev. Benjamin Hoffman.
 Illinois—Rev. J. P. Winter.
 East Sioux—Rev. Thos. E. Welmers.
 West Sioux—Rev. Fred Lubbers.
 Michigan—Rev. R. Bloemendal.
 Pella—Rev. John Wesselink.
 Pleasant Prairie— ———.
 Wisconsin— ———.

OFFICERS.

President, Rev. Ralph Bloemendal.
 Vice-President, Rev. Benj. Hoffman.
 Temporary Clerk, Rev. Thos. Welmers.

The Executive Committee and Committee on Reception of students for the year are: Revs. Hoffman, Tysse, DeYoung, President Dimment and Rev. J. F. Zwemer, together with the Faculty.

EXAMINATIONS.

The following classes were duly examined:

SENIOR CLASS.

Fred. Henry DeJong, Frank DeRoos, Cornelius Dolfin, John B. Frerichs, Edwin Walter Koepe, John Kuite, Raymond Lubbers, Herman Maassen, Arthur Maatman, John Samuel Ter Louw, Gradus Vander Linden, Harry Van Egmond.

MIDDLE CLASS.

Leonard Braam, Walter Jasper Heyenga, Henry O. Hospers, Irwin Jacob Lubbers, Henry Van Dyk, Anthony Van Westenberg.

JUNIOR CLASS.

James J. Burggraaf, Theodore De Vries, Arba Dunnewold, John A. Klaaren, Eldred C. Kuizenga, John R. Mulder, James A. Stegeman, Gerrit Timmer, G. Bernard Van Lierop.

The reports of the committee on written examinations and of the full Board attending the final examinations were satisfactory and all examinations were sustained. It is also of interest that the general average of the entire student body for the year as gathered from the Faculty reports is about 94.

Professorial Certificates were awarded to the Seniors, and the Middle and Junior Classes were advanced in course.

Two men were examined for admission to the Junior Class next Fall. Mr. N. Cloo who had followed a course prescribed by the Board four years ago was admitted. Mr. G. H. Maat was upon examination granted permission to enter for a trial year of work.

THE FACULTY.

The Board was impressed with the work on the part of the students and faculty. Appreciation was expressed of the special instruction given in the Holland language by Professors Hospers and Nettinga. Extra work in elocution was given as per order of the Board last year and it will be continued under the direction of the Executive Committee.

The Board is saddened by the sudden death last year a few days after the close of the year's work, of the Rev. Matthew Kolyn, D. D., Synod's Professor of Historical Theology. Provisional arrangements were made to fill the vacancy in special session of the Board last June to fill the vacancy by the election of Rev. S. C. Nettinga as instructor during the year now closed.

The Board unanimously nominated Rev. S. C. Nettinga for the Chair of Historical Theology in the Western Theological Seminary.

FINANCES.

The report to the Synod by its Permanent Committee on the Finances of the Seminary will show that the finances are in good condition. It is a matter for gratitude that the Professor Emeritus in charge of the Finances succeeded in accordance with the desires of the Board and of The Synod in raising the Endowments of the three Chairs at \$30,000 to \$40,000 each.

OVERTURES TO THE GENERAL SYNOD.

1. Since at the special meeting of June, 1918, the Board ordered that the Professors be paid during the year \$2,250 for their services if the funds could be secured and since Emeritus Professor Zwemer, President of the Faculty in charge of the finances was enabled to comply with this resolution it is the conviction of the Board that the salaries of the professors be made somewhat commensurate with the position filled, therefore: .

Resolved, That we hereby overture General Synod to fix the salaries of the four professors at \$2,500 per annum, and that of the Professor Emeritus, in charge of the finances, at \$2,000 per annum, with the proviso that the present professors divide the work of the Chair of New Testament Greek until the said Chair be filled, among them without extra remuneration.

2. The Board hereby overtures General Synod to further the contemplated action by Synod in favor of some corporation in favor of its Western Seminary, pending since 1917 and 1918, see the minutes of 1917, pp. 59-62 and minutes of 1918, p. 391.

3. The Board hereby requests that General Synod direct its Board of Direction to appropriate the sum of \$500, for the current expenses of the Seminary.

LIBRARY.

Valuable additions have been made to the Library and faithful use has been made of its privileges. Further donations of books and money are always welcome. Among the donors during the past year were the following:

Mrs. George Van Duren, Holland, Mich.....	2 Vols.
Mr. Cornelius Dosker, Grand Rapids, Mich.....	32 Vols.
Dr. John W. Beardslee, Sr., New Brunswick, N. J.....	20 Vols.
Dr. Fred Baker, Chicago, Ill.....	12 Vols.
Dr. Henry Beets, Grand Rapids, Mich.....	1 Vol.
Prof. J. E. Kuizenga, Holland, Mich.....	1 Vol.

COMMENCEMENT.

The annual commencement took place on Thursday evening, May 15th, in the Third Reformed Church. The special feature this year was the celebration of the Semi-centennial of our Institution. The following program was carried out:

The Greetings of the General Synod were brought by Rev. Wm. J. Leggett, Ph.D., Vice-President of the General Synod.

The Historical address was delivered by Rev. Peter Moerdyke, D. D., a member of the Class of 1869.

The Certificates were presented by Rev. Dr. John W. Beardslee, Prof. Emeritus of the Seminary who also brought the greetings of the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick, N. J.

Rev. Henry Heunemann who was to deliver the address on behalf of the Board of Superintendents waived this duty in favor of the addresses prepared for the occasion and he was reappointed speaker for the ensuing year with Rev. R. Bloemendal as his secundus.

Respectfully submitted,

J. P. WINTER.

JAS. M. FARRAR,

H. J. PIETENPOL,

Committee.

Attest: P. MOERDYKE, Stated Clerk.

REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON THE FINANCES OF THE WESTERN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America:

Your Permanent Committee on the Finances of the Western Theological Seminary at Holland, Michigan, would respectfully report as follows:

The efforts of our Secretary, as Professor Emeritus in charge of the finances of the Seminary, have met with ready and generous response.

ENDOWMENT.

In accordance with the desires of the Synod the task of the year was to increase the existing three Endowments from thirty to forty thousand dollars each. This has been accomplished.

It gives your Committee pleasure to be able to certify to the fact, that there are today deposited in the First State Bank at Holland, Mich., and in the following forms, viz:

1. A mortgage (offered and taken) by Mr. Roelof Van Zyl of Orange City, Ia., to the General Synod R. C. A.; amount \$10,000, with note and coupons dated Feb. 24th, 1919, due March 1st, 1929. Int. five per cent. payable annually	\$10,000 00
2. A mortgage (donated) assigned and duly recorded to the General Synod R. C. A. by Dr. Derk Bruins, of Alto, Wis., amount \$3,780, assignment dated Feb. 14th, 1919, due April 19th, 1922. Int. six per cent. payable annually	3,780 00
3. Two six per cent. registered Municipal Bonds donated, City of Cushing, Oklahoma, interest payable semi-annually. Due Jan. 1st, 1926.....	1,000 00
4. Two six per cent. Holland City Municipal Bonds, offered and taken. Interest payable annually. Due Jan. 1st, 1920.....	200 00
5. Two Certificates of Deposit in First State Bank at four per cent. in the following denominations: \$220 and \$4,750, aggregating	4,970 00
6. One Certificate of Deposit of \$500 in Grand Rapids Savings Bank, proceeds of a legacy in favor of The Western Theological Seminary	500 00
7. Liberty Bonds of the Second, Third and Fourth Issues to the amount of	9,550 00
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	\$30,000 00

Besides, as a matter of information we can report to Synod, that there is on hand in favor of the endowment for the Fifth Chair in the form of cash in the Bank, War Saving Stamps and negotiable Notes, the sum of \$4,000. And we have consistorial pledges securing an annual income equal to interest at four per cent. on an investment of another four thousand dollars, together, one fifth of the contemplated \$40,000 Endowment for the Fifth Chair.

THE SALARY FUND.

This Fund, to which nearly all the churches in the Particular Synod of Chicago contribute, supplements the income of our endowments and thus enables the Treasurer of Synod to remit to Synod's professors at Holland, Mich., their salaries as fixed by the Synod.

The income of this Fund, growing apace from a paltry \$500, slowly climbed into the thousands until during the year now closing, the sum total of the contributions by the churches to this fund reached the total of \$5,750.49.

These contributions are thus summarized by Classes:

Cascades, 10 churches	\$94 72
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Michigan, 16 churches	354 28
Pella, 11 churches	219 97
Pleasant Prairie, 20 churches	341 88
Sioux East, 21 churches	473 96
Sioux West, 19 churches	523 96
Wisconsin, 16 churches	469 92
Rochester, 11 churches	123 29
And from 21 churches elsewhere	868 50
Interest on Bonds, Notes, Mortgages.....	368 50
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Total	\$5,750 49

This fund is now a perennial and dependable source of income. It has been and will remain a veritable sheet anchor for the financial problems of the Seminary.

We request the Synod to recommend this Salary Fund to the attention of our churches with the request, that they give this benevolence a place in their annual budgets.

Since the movement, looking toward some sort of corporate power for the Seminary awaits the favorable action of Synod, (see Min. Gen. Synod, 1917, pp. 59-62 and 1918, p. 391), we request Synod to authorize your Committee by its officers to receive and hold for the General Synod, until the contemplated endowments are raised and paid over to the Treasurer of General Synod, or to such organization as Synod may direct, whatever mortgages, moneys, bequests, securities, or gifts may be received or offered in favor of the Western Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church in America, and to pay annuities on donations given to the said Seminary, taking effect upon the death of the respective donors.

In view of the increase of the salaries of Synod's professors in its Western Theological Seminary, as recommended by the Board of Superintendents, we hereby overture the General Synod to recommend the Seminary for this year to the Board of Education in the sum of \$500 to be paid to the Treasurer of General Synod for support of the teaching force.

MEMBERSHIP.

The terms of office of Revs. John W. Beardslee, James F. Zwemer and Mr. A. H. Meyer in your Committee expire with this session of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

GERRIT J. DIEKEMA, Chairman,
JAMES F. ZWEMER, Secretary,
JOHN W. BEARDSLEE,
BAREND DOSKER,
JOHN N. TROMPEN,
ALBERT H. MEYER.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE PROFESSORATE.

The Committee on the Professorate presents the following Report:

The following communications have been put in our hands:

First—From the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick, New Jersey.

- (a) The Annula Report of the Board of Superintendents.
- (b) Report of the Standing Committee on Seminary Grounds, and Property, accompanied by the Treasurer's Report.
- (c) Nominations to the Board of Superintendents.

Second—From the Western Theological Seminary:

- (a) The Annual Report of the Board of Superintendents.
- (b) The Report of General Synod Standing Committee on Finances.

(c) Nominations to the Board of Superintendents.

(d) A nomination by the Board of Superintendents of Rev. S. C. C. Nettinga for the Chair of Historical Theology in the Western Theological Seminary.

(e) Arrangements for Installation of Prof.-elect Nettinga.

Third—Overture from 2 classes, asking for dispensation for students for the Ministry.

NEW BRUNSWICK THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

From the Annual Report of the Board of Superintendents, Theological Seminary, New Brunswick, your Committee finds that 8 graduates were granted their Professorial Certificate. Eleven in the middle class were advanced and seven from the junior class advanced to the middle class. Reports from the examinations show that the students have done faithful work. The War conditions still continue, affecting the attendance of some of the students. Messrs. French, Hock, and Scholten, two of whom have been absent a part of the war work, were granted permission to take certain examinations in September, or earlier. These are the only exceptions among the members of the middle and junior classes to the advancement before noted.

Messrs. Booth, Searle and Whisler, are still absent on leave of absence for war service. Mr. Searle in view of the prospect of long delay in return from France, received "school leave" from his regiment, and is taking the Spring term in Edinburgh University. He and Mr. Whisler are expected to return in September, but Mr. Booth may not be able to do so on account of severe illness from which he is suffering.

Messrs. Zimmerman and Hoffman have been the George Augustus Sandham scholars of the senior and middle classes respectively.

The Rev. Edward Lodewick Prize for preaching has been awarded to Mr. Zimmerman.

Lectors, Dr. Gillespie, and Rev. Simon Blocker, and the Acting Lector, Dr. Beardslee, Senior, have performed faithful and valuable service. Upon recommendation of the Board, your Committee recommends that they be engaged to continue that important work.

The Committee on the Nomination of a Professor of the English Bible and Christian Education report that they have held several meetings and given earnest and continued consideration to the matter, but they have been unable to reach a conclusion fully answering to the duty charged upon them. They recommend an arrangement for courses in Christian Education for the coming year, assuming at the same time that arrangements for the Course in the English Bible for the past year be allowed to continue. They recom-

mend also that Mr. Edward P. St. John, lately Professor of Hartford School of Pedagogy, and at Boston University, now Professor of Education, Y. W. C. A. Training School in New York City, be instructor in Christian Education at a salary of \$650 for the year 1919-1920, to give a Course or Courses, during the half-year.

President Edward L. Southwick, of the Emerson College of Oratory, Boston, gave his usual and valuable week of instruction in Pulpit Oratory. Professor Barber of Rutgers College has given valued instruction in the art of expression. Mr. Ditman has given instruction in music with continued appreciation on the part of the students.

A successful Missionary Conference of the Seminary and representatives of Mission Board of our Church, was held in April.

Rev. Cornelius Woelfkin, D. D., Litt. D., gave the faculty lectures on the Christian Ministry.

Edgar Banks, Ph. D., Archæologist, gave a lecture on his personal explorations in Mesopotamia, while Rev. J. Addison Jones, D. D., gave a vitally interesting and helpful address on his experiences in war work.

Lectures and addresses were also given before the Society of Inquiry, five of which were missionary addresses and four on the country church and its relations.

Professors Johnson and Raven represented the Seminary in the Conference of Theological Professors at Cambridge, Mass., in the Summer of 1918, and Professor Searle represents the Seminary as a member of the Continuation Committee appointed by the Conference. Prof. Johnson also represented the Seminary at the Centennial Exercises of the Auburn Theological Seminary in October, and of the General Theological Seminary in New York, in May.

The following action is recommended by your Committee upon matters relating to Seminary at New Brunswick:

First: Resolved, that General Synod approve the request of the Board to continue the employment of Lectors Dr. Gillespie, Rev. Simon Blocker, and the Acting Lector in the English Bible, Dr. Beardslee, Sr.

Second: Resolved, That the Committee upon the Board's recommendation, approve the increase of the salary of Rev. Simon Blocker, Lector in Biblical Theology, to \$750, if the funds can be procured.

Third: Resolved, That the General Synod approve the engagement of Mr. Edward P. St. John as Instructor in Christian Education for the coming year, at a salary of \$650.

Four: Resolved, The Committee recommends that the General Synod restore the former salary of each Professor of Theology at the New Brunswick Seminary to \$3,000—if this be possible, or can be

made possible. We present this recommendation in view of the fact that many years ago the salary was \$3,000, and that the reduction to the \$2,500 was made in a period of financial depression, after offer of the Professors to this effect; that since that time there has been restoration of only \$250 to the salary, and that the expense of living has greatly increased in recent years, and that a less salary than \$3,000 does not comport with the dignity and importance of the position of a Theological Professor.

Fifth: Resolved, That the Churches be requested to make larger gifts to meet the increasing expense incurred in the maintenance of Hertzog Hall.

The following Nominations to the Board of Superintendents have been received from Synod and classes in which vacancies occur at this time:

Classes of South Bergen—W. Reese Hart.
 Classes of Paramus—J. A. Van Nest.
 Classes of Ulster—C. Van Oostenbrugge.
 Classes of Kingston—Jesse F. Durfee.
 Classes of Palisades—I. W. Gowan.
 Classes of Schenectady—C. P. Ditmars.
 Classes of Schoharie—John H. Brandow.
 Classes of Westchester—C. H. Tyndall.
 Particular Synod of N. Y.—Elder M. T. Bogert.

The following committees are appointed on the Reception of Students, Rev. M. S. Demarest, Rev. Edgar Tilton, Jr., Rev. A. T. Broek, Elder Austin Scott,

Midwinter Examination—Rev. W. H. S. Demarest, Rev. J. A. Van Nest, Elder Austin Scott.

Written examination:

Rev. C. D. F. Steinfuhrer,	Rev. J. M. Farrar,
Rev. I. W. Gowen,	Rev. Herman Hegeman,
Rev. T. P. Vernoll,	Rev. Peter Crispell,
Rev. C. Van Oostenbrugge,	Rev. Edgar Tilton, Jr.,
Rev. C. H. Tyndall,	Rev. A. Von Schlieder,
Rev. C. P. Ditmars,	Rev. A. T. Broek,
Rev. C. G. Mallery,	Rev. W. R. Hart.

The President of the Board, Rev. Peter Crispell, was elected to address the Graduating Class next year, and Rev. Martin Flipse is appointed his alternant.

The Commencement Exercises were held on May 22nd, the Professorial Certificates being presented by Prof. John H. Raven, and the Address to the Graduating Class was delivered by the retiring President, Rev. Edgar Tilton, Jr., Rev. J. Frederick Berg, delivered the alumni oration.

WESTERN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

From the Annual Report of the Board of Superintendents of the Western Seminary, your Committee gathers that this school of the prophets has enjoyed another year of continued blessing. The earnest purpose and vision of the professors and students, the forward-looking plans for the improvement of all parts of the curriculum and the continued diligence of those charged with the financial support of the Seminary, give the Church great reasons for thanksgiving. Thirteen members of the Senior Class after Bible examinations, which were most satisfactory and well sustained, have been given Professorial Certificates and entered upon the Christian Ministry with high hopes of success. The Middle and Junior Classes were advanced in course and it is a matter of great interest to the entire Church to know that the general average of the entire student body for the year, as gathered from the Faculty Report, is about 94 per cent.

The work of the Faculty of the Seminary calls for special appreciation of the instruction given in the Holland language by Prof. Hospers and Nettinga. The provisional arrangement made by the Board to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of the Rev. Mathew Kolyn, D. D., Professor of Historical Theology, by the election of Rev. S. C. Nettinga as instructor in Historical Theology during the year now closed, has been so satisfactory that the Board unanimously nominated Rev. S. C. Nettinga for the Chair of Historical Theology in the Western Theological Seminary.

While your Committee find that the strict constitutional requirement, preliminary to such nomination were not complied with, we would ask the Synod to waive those preliminary requirements for the present time, and that the nomination of the Board of Superintendents be received.

Resolved, also that Synod call attention in subsequent case of the nomination of a Theological Professor to the strict requirements of Article III, sec. 31, of the Constitution.

Your Committee would recommend that the time for the election of a Professor of Historical Theology in the Western Theological Seminary be fixed for Saturday morning at 11 o'clock.

FINANCES.

Your Committee find from the Report of the Permanent Committee on Finances of the Western Theological Seminary that the finances are in good condition, and it is a matter for gratitude that the Professor Emeritus, Rev. James F. Zwemer, in charge of the finances, has succeeded in accordance with the desires

of the Board and of the Synod in raising the endowment of the Three Chairs now at \$30,000 to \$40,000 each. The Synod congratulates the Professor Emeritus, Dr. Zwemer, on his long continued labors to reach this desired goal.

Your Committee presents the following for Synod's action:

That we recommend that the salaries of the four professors at the Western Theological Seminary be fixed at the sum of \$2,500 per annum, and that of the Professor Emeritus, in charge of the finances, at \$2,000 per annum, with the proviso that the present Professors divide among them without extra remuneration the work of the Chair of New Testament Greek until such time as the Chair may be filled.

Your Committee recommend this action for the same reason as in the case of the Professors of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary, that the increased cost of living expenses and the responsible position merits this increase of salary.

A special matter of interest to the whole Church is the celebration of the Semi-centennial of the Western Seminary, when greetings of the General Synod were brought by the retiring Vice President, Rev. Wm. J. Leggett, in behalf of the Synod, and the Historical Address delivered by Rev. Peter Moerdyke, a member of the Class of 1869, while the Certificates were presented by Rev. John W. Beardslee, Professor Emeritus of the Seminary, who also brought the greetings of the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick, N. J.

The Report of the Permanent Committee on Finances of Western Theological Seminary is a cause for congratulation. The efforts of the Secretary, Rev. James F. Zwemer, in charge of the finances of the Seminary, have met with ready and generous response. In accordance with the desires of the Synod, the task of the year, to increase the existing three endowments from Thirty to Forty Thousand Dollars each, has been accomplished. The following financial statement shows the disposition of these funds:

There are deposited in the First State Bank at Holland, Mich., and in the following forms, viz.:

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| 1—A Mortgage offered and taken by Mr. Roelof Van Zyl of Orange City, Ia., to the General Synod, R. C. A., amount \$10,000, with note and coupons dated Feb. 24th, 1919, due March 1st, 1929. Int. five per cent. payable annually | \$10,000 |
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| 3—Two six per cent. registered Municipal Bonds, donated, | |

City of Cushing, Okla. Int. payable semi-annually due January 21st, 1926	1,000
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6—One Certificate of Deposit of \$500 in Grand Rapids Savings Bank, proceeds of a legacy in favor of the Western Theological Seminary	500
7—Liberty Bonds of the Second, Third and Fourth Issues, to the amount of	9,550
Grand Total	<u>\$30,000</u>

There is also on hand in favor of the Endowment for the Fifth Chair, in cash in the bank, War Savings Stamps, and Negotiable Notes, the sum of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000).

Consistorial pledges securing an annual income equal to interest of 4 per cent. on an investment of another Four Thousand Dollars, together making one-fifth of the contemplated Forty Thousand Dollars needed for the endowment of the Fifth Chair.

Together with these statements of increasing endowment, the salary fund also shows that nearly all of the churches in the Particular Synod of Chicago contribute, and this growing fund supplements the income of the endowments, and thus enables the Treasurer of Synod to pay the salaries fixed by Synod to the Professors, Holland, Mich. The income of this Fund from the small sum of \$500 at its inception, has grown into thousands, until during the year now closing, the sum total of the contributions by the Churches to this Fund reached the total of \$5,750.40. These contributions are summarized by Classes.

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East Sioux, 21 churches	473 96

West Sioux, 19 churches	523 96
Wisconsin, 16 churches	469 92
Rochester, 11 churches	123 29
And from 21 churches additional	868 50
Int. on Bonds, Notes, Mortgages	368 50
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Grand Total	\$5,750 49

This Fund is now a dependable source of income, to meet the financial problems of the Seminary. Your Committee would recommend in connection with this financial report, that the Salary Fund of the Western Theological Seminary be brought to the attention of our Churches, with the request that they give this important work a place in their Annual Budget.

An Overture from the Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary in favor of action by this Synod, in favor of some corporate power being conferred upon the Custodian of these funds, and others that may from time to time come under their charge, has been considered by your Committee, after conference with representatives of those officially related to the charge of these funds. Your Committee would recommend the following action of Synod:

1. That Synod's Permanent Committee on Finances of the Western Theological Seminary, be directed to take speedy action to secure corporate authority covering these financial interests of the Western Theological Seminary, as contemplated in previous action of the Synods of 1917 and 1918.

2. That Synod authorize the Permanent Committee on Finances of the Western Theological Seminary, by its officers to receive and hold for the General Synod until contemplated endowments are raised and paid over to the Treasurer of the General Synod, or to such organization as Synod may direct, whatever mortgages, money, bequests, securities or gifts, may be received or offered in favor of the Western Theological Seminary of the R. C. A., and to pay annuities on donations given to the said Seminary, taking effect upon the deaths of the respective donors.

3. That in view of the increase of salaries of Synod's professors in the Western Theological Seminary, as passed by this General Synod, we recommend for this year to the Board of Education, that they pay the Treasurer of the General Synod for support of the teaching force in the Seminary \$500.

The terms of office of Rev. John W. Beardslee and Rev. James F. Zwemer and Mr. A. H. Meyer having expired with this session of Synod, we recommend their re-appointment together with these additional members, Rev. E. J. Blekkink, Elders Cornelius Dosker, Henry E. Langeland.

Nominations: Nominations have been received for the Board of Superintendents of the Western Theological Seminary, as follows:

Michigan—A. Karreman.

West Sioux—F. Lubbers.

East Sioux—Thos. E. Welmers.

Wisconsin—G. J. Hekhuis.

Particular Synod of Chicago—Peter Mordyke, Elder Cornelius Dosker.

There being no nominations from the Particular Synod of Albany, your Committee recommend the re-election of Rev. James S. Kittell, for the full term.

That the Synod Record be corrected in the case of Henry Hunemam, from 1919 to 1920, as his term does not expire until then.

Also, since J. P. Winter was elected for the full term last year his nomination by the Classis of Illinois at this time is inopportune.

Overture for Dispensation: In regard to the overtures for dispensation committed to us, the Committee present the following recommendation.

(1) We recommend that the dispensation asked for by the classes of East Sioux for Henry Beltman, a member in full communion of the Reformed Church of Alton, Iowa; a graduate of the Northwestern Classical Academy at Orange City, Iowa; a graduate of Hope College, a graduate and possessing the degree of Bachelor of Divinity from the Princeton Theological Seminary, and an applicant for appointment to the Board of Foreign Missions of our own Church, be granted a dispensation from the Professorial Certificate from one of our Church seminaries and thus be made eligible for examination by the classis of East Sioux for licensure.

(2) We recommend also the granting of dispensations to Mr. John Huyser and Mr. Henry De Velde, asked for by the Classis of Illinois.

Mr. Huyser at present is supplying the Northwestern Church as missionary, while taking his course of study at the Moody Bible Institute, and his work has been most successful in this church, but he is hindered in the full work of the ministry by the fact that he cannot administer the Sacrament, and the Church suffers thereby because weeks pass by before an ordained Minister can be secured for such service.

Mr. Henry DeVelde is a graduate of the University, and also of the Moody Bible Institute, and has been for years a Professor in the Chicago High School. He is commended by the Classis as a consecrated man and has been serving the Lord in whatever capacity possible. For these reasons the Classis of Illinois urges Synod to grant these dispensations, and your Committee would recommend

favorable action upon these requests upon further reasons than given in their overture from members of the Classis of Illinois present at this Synod.

Signed,

I. W. GOWEN,
J. M. FARRAR,
DAVID MCEWAN,
E. A. COLLIER,
G. H. HOSPERS,
F. K. SHIELD,
HARRY BATEHOLTZ,
CHARLES J. BROWER,
JOHN H. BELTMAN,
BEN VINKEMULDER,
C. HUNT,
ARTHUR S. WOOD.

Rev. Prof. F. S. Schenck, representing the New Brunswick Theological Seminary addressed Synod.

Rev. Prof. John E. Kuizenga, representing the Western Theological Seminary addressed Synod.

The Report was adopted with all of its recommendations, except that of a dispensation for Mr. John Huyser, whose application was denied, with a recommendation that he pursue a course of studies in one of the Theological Seminaries.

After the adoption of that part of the Report which pertained to the election of a Professor of Historical Theology in the Western Theological Seminary, Synod, on motion, waived its right to nominate additional candidates.

Saturday morning, at the time set for the election, Synod, on motion, and by unanimous vote, directed the Stated Clerk to cast a ballot for Rev. Siebe C. Nettinga for Professor of Historical Theology in the Western Theological Seminary. The ballot was so cast, and the President declared the election.

The Professor-elect was notified of his election by telegram, and signified his acceptance by return message.

The call was read to Synod, and the President signed the call in the presence of Synod.

The following arrangements were made for the installa-

tion of Prof. Nettinga. Date to be selected by the Faculty.

The President of the Board to preside, read the form, and receive the letter of transfer of Membership from Classis to the General Synod.

To preach the sermon: Prim., the President of General Synod. Sec., the Vice President of General Synod.

To offer the installation prayer: Prof. Dr. Blekkink.

To charge the Professor-elect: Prof. Dr. Zwemer.

To superintendent the moving of the Professor to Holland, Mich.: Elders, A. H. Meyer and B. Dumez, of Holland, Mich.

This program of arrangements was approved by Synod.

ARTICLE VI.

EDUCATION, ACADEMIES AND COLLEGES.

The following Reports were received and referred to the Committee on Education, Academies and Colleges.

THE FIFTY-THIRD ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COUNCIL OF HOPE COLLEGE.

The Council of Hope College herewith presents to the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America its Annual Report as follows:

I. ORGANIZATION.

At its regular meeting in June, 1918, the Council was organized by the election of the following officers:

President—Rev. Albert Vandenberg.

Vice President—Rev. Henry J. Veldman.

Secretary—Hon. Gerrit J. Diekema.

Treasurer—Professor Edward D. Dimment.

Owing to the transfer of Rev. Albert Vandenberg from Grand Rapids to Vriesland, Mich., his membership in the Council of Hope College was vacated and the office of President was thereby in like manner vacated. The Vice President, Rev. Henry Veldman, has presided over the Council meetings since that time.

II. MEMBERSHIP.

The term of office of Rev. John G. Gebhard, Secretary of the Board of Education, as a member under appointment by General Synod expires with this year and the vacancy should be filled in the usual manner.

III. FACULTY OF THE COLLEGE.

Rev. Paul E. Hinkamp has occupied the chair of Bible and Philosophy, and Albert A. Lampen, the chair of Mathematics, under appointment by the Council; provision was made for the teaching of physics in College and Preparatory School both by the successive appointment of Rev. D. G. Muyskens and Gerard Raap who were assisted by Prof. Lampen.

IV. THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY.

With peace practically assured and the world rapidly assuming normal conditions it is proper to sum up the influence of Hope College in the emergency. Immediately upon the President's call to arms members of the student body volunteered their services in military, naval and air service. The young women of the Campus organized themselves into The Patriotic League of Hope College and assisted in keeping up the morale of the student soldiery through correspondence, donation of books, especially copies of the Bible, various articles of comfort and convenience, and holiday remembrances. Red Cross, Canteen, and other war work was carried on. Over \$25,000.00 worth of Liberty and Victory Bonds were sold to the public by them. One hundred and five of the student body entered the regular service in some one of its branches and in addition to this number the Students Army Training Corps was established on the Campus with a personnel of 91 enlisted men. Two of the students, William A. Jansma, '20, and George Roosenraad, '20, died of disease while in the service.

The student body and the faculties subscribed over \$3,500.00 to the various war charities and the faculties gave unlimited time to the different drives as Four Minute Men and as special lecturers and defence workers. All of this work was the voluntary offering of Hope College and mention is made of it here that the General Synod may appropriate to itself such measure of satisfaction and honor as is due the Reformed Church in America because of the activities of one of its subordinate bodies.

V. ENROLLMENT.

The student roll for the academic year is as follows:

The College	289
The Preparatory School	75
The School of Music	59
Total	423

Strong efforts are being initiated for the increase of the Preparatory School numbers inasmuch as national statistics show that the Churches must depend on these schools as their recruiting agencies for the work of the ministry and other religious factors. The strongest support of all of the Churches and of the General Synod as the official body of the denomination should be given to this aspect of the work.

VI. RELIGIOUS CONDITION.

The year has been marked by a spirit more intense and devoted than that of the preceeding years, due perhaps wholly to the national situation. The Christian Associations, both in their regular work and also in the parallel lines such as the Sunday Schools, Club Activities and extension work, have wielded a large influence for good in in the city and surrounding countryside. Their membership has held its own despite the large decrease in numbers due to the war. The Student Volunteer Band has continued its work and is producing admirable results in the lives of its members and adding to the list of prospective missionaries.

VII. PRIZES AND CONTESTS.

In the Michigan Oratorical League Hope College secured first place. Mr. Roscoe Mott Giles, Jr., of Skaneateles, N. Y., a member of the Junior Class, was the winner. In the Debating League the College won both debates in a Triangular Contest with Olivet and Alma Colleges.

VIII. LIBRARY.

The Library has been increased by a total of 349 volumes donated chiefly by Dr. J. Ackerman Coles, Dr. William E. Griffis and Mr. C. Dosker. A large number of magazines, including Mr. William Brower's annual donation to the Reading Rooms and a bound set of Review of Reviews by a resident of Holland who has long been a staunch friend of the College altho a member of another denomination, has been most welcome to our files.

IX. FINANCES.

The income from tuitions and other fees has been very materially lower during the year and the utmost of economy has been necessary. The situation is such that only the most decided efforts to increase the income of the institution and the earnest and immediate co-operation of the General Synod will insure the continuance of the constructive and progressive work which Hope College has been doing for the Reformed Church in America. The College is engaging in a campaign for students and workers in connection with the Five Years Progress Campaign of the Reformed Church in America and is determined to leave no means unworked to bring about the fruition of the hopes of the Church. The newspaper and platform advertising of the College is advertising the campaign of the denomination at the same time and the avowed purpose of the College is set forth in this advertising as the advancement of the Kingdom of God through the Reformed Church in America. This is done at a large expenditure of money and personal effort on the part of the Faculty.

The General Endowment has been increased during the year by almost \$15,000.00 but the current balance is only \$6.90. Within this limit lay the possibility of increased debt. To accomplish even this, niggardly economy was necessary. This cannot continue if the Progress Campaign is to receive the assistance it deserves from the College.

In view of this fact and in view of the comparative results of the various schools aided by the General Synod through its Board of Education, The Council of Hope College feels that an appropriation of \$5,000.00 would be a proper sum for Synod to set to the needs of Hope College during the next academic year.

We also earnestly request General Synod to recommend Hope College to the various Synods and Classes of the Church for their support and co-operation so that no closed doors may be encountered in the effort to advance the Kingdom through the largess and bounty of the saints of God.

X. ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TREASURER, APRIL 1, 1918 —APRIL 1, 1919.

CURRENT FUNDS.

RECEIPTS.

Cash brought forward	\$173 23
Interest—	

Mortgages	25,285 74
Bonds	1,631 17
Notes	247 50
Daily Balance	394 13
Trust Funds	2,934 24
Board of Education	4,500 00
Individual Gifts	408 50
Church Contributions	4,276 87
Fees and Rents	5,278 29
Replacement	101 67
Land Rents	1 50
Building Rents	15 00
Sundries—Petty	758 06
“ Contracts	7,050 63
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\$53,056 53	

DISBURSEMENTS.

Salaries	\$26,214 45
Light	319 61
Fuel	2,245 11
Water	179 53
Printing and Stationery	438 99
Supplies	1,146 85
Repairs	473 76
Taxes	586 28
Trust Funds	8,464 70
Travel	350 17
De Hope	26 40
Alumni	61 85
Contracts Funded	7,050 63
Sundries—Petty	1,641 30
Loans Refunded	350 00
U. S. W. D.	3,500 00
Balance carried forward	6 90
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\$53,056 53	

PERMANENT FUNDS.

RECEIPTS.

Cash brought forward	\$15,422 64
Loans Paid—	
Mortgages	29,775 00
Mortgages Refunded	350 00

Bonds and Accrued Interest	453 83
Trust Funds	1,826 77
Current	1,960 47
Individual Gifts	14,720 91
Trust Funds	10 00
Virginia Lands	300 00
Contracts Funded	3,004 27
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	\$67,823 89

DISBURSEMENT.

Investment—	
Mortgages	\$36,750 00
Bonds	12,795 00
Notes Collateral	10,000 00
Current Loan	1,960 47
Building Loans	1,654 04
Balance carried forward	4,664 38
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	\$67,823 89

SURVEY OF PERMANENT FUNDS—APRIL 1, 1919.

ANNUITIES

De Swarte Susan	\$100 00
Semelink Gymnasium Fund	4,000 00
Semelink Monument Fund	3,000 00
Semelink Monument Fund No. 2...	500 00
Voorhees Fund	100,000 00
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	\$107,600 00

TRUST.

Board of Benevolence—	
Alida Mink Fund	9,178 65
Lepeltak Fund	1,505 50
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	10,684 15
Prizes—	
Beekman Bible	1,500 00
Birkhoff Literature	1,000 00
Coles Debate Fund	1,000 00
Raven Oratory Fund	1,000 00
Southland Medals	100 00
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	4,600 00

Scholarships—

Philo Sherman Bennett	500 00	
Semelink Preparatory	2,000 00	
Westerveld for Girls	1,000 00	
	<hr/>	3,500 00

Western Theo. Seminary—

Semelink Salary	3,000 00	
Semelink Scholarship	2,000 00	
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Jansma Mission

10 00

Contracts Fund

3,004 27

\$134,398 42

ENDOWMENT

Inactive Funds—

Building Loans	\$14,511 28	
Current Loans	19,985 30	
De Hope	2,500 00	
Real Estate	10,000 00	
	<hr/>	46,996 58

Securities—

Mortgages and Bonds	\$458,392 73	
Less Annuities and Trusts	134,398 42	
	<hr/>	323,994 31

Trust Funds—

Board of Direction	\$53,420 06	
Board of Education	4,500 00	
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Sinking Fund

1,654 04

Cash

4,664 38

\$435,229 37

Total Permanent Funds\$569,627 79

Promissory Notes not included above..... 4,850 00

E. D. DIMNENT, *Acting Treasurer.*

Submitted to and Approved by the Council, April 30th, 1919.

In view of the vast opportunities of this reconstruction period and the urgent calls upon the Church and all other agencies operative for the uplift of humankind, but especially upon the Protestant Churches which hold the Presbyterian system. The Council and Faculties are deeply grateful to God for the privileges and capacities afforded Hope College and it trusts that in no wise will the stewardship entrusted to it be wanting in any measure of the fullest devo-

tion. We assure General Synod of the heartiest co-operation and loyalty and invite a very full and complete consultation on the part of The Board of Education looking to further service and usefulness. The principles laid down and the policies operative during the administration of President Gerrit J. Kollen, LL. D., and President Ame Vennema, D. D., will continue during the present administration as the determinants of the purposes and services of Hope College.

The first annual report of the newly elected president, Edward D. Dimment, was submitted and approved on April 30. Arrangements were made in accordance with the usual procedure for his inauguration on May 14 and the appointees of General Synod, the Reverend Professor E. J. Blekkink, D. D., President of the Synod, and Rev. W. J. Leggett, Ph. D., Vice President of the Synod were notified of the date and the inauguration exercises were held in conformity with this action in Hope Church in the presence of the Particular Synod of Chicago, then in session at Holland, and a representative group of college and townspeople.

GERRIT J. DIEKEMA,

Secretary of the Council of Hope College.

Holland, Michigan, May 15, 1919.

THIRD ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CENTRAL COLLEGE.

Pella, Iowa, May 21, 1919.

To the General Synod, R. C. A., convened at Asbury Park, N. J.,
June 5, 1919.

Fathers and Brethren: The Board of Trustees of Central College herewith respectfully submits its third annual report to your body.

The year that is just passed has been remarkable for at least two events: First, the turning over of the equipment of the college to the Government at the beginning of the school year for the purpose of training students for the service of the country. Our S. A. T. C. unit was not a large one, but our experience of having the soldier boys here has been altogether pleasant. Capt. Adams and Lieut. Olson, the officers in charge, were men in thorough sympathy with the ideals of a Denominational College and worked very well in harmony with the regulations and customs in vogue. Central was fortunate in that the equipment on hand could, with only very little alteration, be made adequate to the requirements of the new regime. And so the College lost very little by it financially when after a

short time the unit was disbanded and everything turned back into its normal course. The second event of note was the serious influenza epidemic that broke out in the city and community. Churches and public schools were closed by a general quarantine order for eleven weeks. Fortunately the Board of Health allowed the college to remain open for a greater part of the time, altho we were asked not to hold any Chapel services nor allow the students to congregate in large groups. This order was gratefully obeyed. In December the epidemic reached such a height that it was deemed best to close the Colloge, which was done for a period of three weeks. During that time many of the students were ill, but in no case with serious results. But soon after the school was opened again for the new year, two promising young men were suddenly taken sick and died of the disease: Herman Braam, of Pella, a member of the Senior Class of the Academy, and Alvin Wagner of Buffalo Center, Iowa, a Freshman in the Academy.

THE FACULTY.

The following changes were made in the teaching staff. Prof. C. C. Church resigned and in his place was elected Miss Gail Humbert, A. M., as Professor of History and Political Science. She took her Master's degree at the State University in the subject she teaches, and her work this year has been of a very creditable nature. During the summer vacation Miss Nesta Williams of the department of Psychology and Education asked the Executive Committee to accept her resignation, having received a more remunerative offer from another institution. The Board is happy to report that the able and efficient services of the Rev. Jacob Heemstra have been secured to fill her place, and we trust he will remain with us indefinitely. The position of teacher of Domestic Science was this year filled by Mrs. Ruth Clark White, Miss Esther Dunkle having resigned. Prof. L. T. Liggett of the department of Chemistry was given leave of absence this year in order to work for his Doctor's degree at the University of Chicago. Miss Van Nimwegen, a recent graduate of Central College, assisted by the undergraduates Mr. David Van Rees and Miss Verna Halbert, very creditably carried on the work under the supervision of Prof. Liggett. In the Academy, Miss Minnie De Feyter, A. M., who had just finished her work for a Master's degree at the University of Chicago, took the place of Miss Louisa Stallman as teacher of Mathematics. Her work has been of a superior grade and we are glad to announce that she will stay with us next year. Owing to the increasing labors in connection with the S. A. T. C. and to the fact that the President was compelled to be away very frequently, Rev. H. M. Bruins of the 2nd Ref. Church, and

Rev. Peter Braak of the 3rd Ref. Church, have consented to take over his work in Bible study.

Because of the increasing high cost of living, the Board of Trustees found themselves compelled to vote a considerable increase in the salary of all its teachers.

ENROLLMENT.

In spite of the fact that no summer school was conducted this year, which swelled the enrollment last year by almost 50, and in spite of the fact that the war has taken many young people out of school that would normally have continued their courses, Central College is able to report the same number of students as last year, 209. This means that attendance in the College department is 40 per cent., and in the Academy is 20 per cent. larger than last year. The following is a summary of enrollment and classification:

College	70	
Seniors	11	
Juniors	9	
Sophomores	10	
Freshmen	39	
Specials	1	
Academy	71	
Seniors	7	
Juniors	16	
Sophomores	21	
Freshmen	21	
Specials	16	
Commercial	37	
Music	48	
Seniors	2	
Sophomore	1	
Freshmen	4	
Unclassified	41	
Summer School of Music	14	
Total	—	240
Less Duplicates		31
Total enrollment		209

RELIGIOUS LIFE.

The work of the Christian Associations as well as that of the Literary Societies was severely interfered with by the influenza quarantine. Since January however, this work has been carried on

with much enthusiasm. Special daily prayer services were held during the closing week of January, with one day, the annual Day of Prayer for Colleges, devoted entirely to prayer and the consideration of religious subjects. And many of the students and faculty members testified that this was one of the most wonderful weeks in their lives. It meant much to the strengthening of religious convictions and the deepening of Christian life. As a result of that meeting no less than sixteen young people have subsequently joined the church. Two weeks later, as another result, a Student Volunteer Band was organized with eighteen charter members. These facts give courage for the future and show that this college will be a real recruiting ground for the work of the Master which suffers today for lack of laborers.

BUILDINGS AND EQUIPMENT.

During the last year the equipment of the College has been considerably increased. The new Library, which is an architectural gem, offers splendid opportunities for study and independent investigation to the students. The Ladies Dormitory was completed during the year. This building furnishes a very comfortable home for our girls and lady teachers, and besides gives the advantages of board to all the students at club rates which are cheaper than can be secured anywhere else. This building has cost \$60,000. It is entirely fireproof and is equipped with the best of modern improvements. All the college buildings, with the exception of "Old Central," are now heated by a central heating plant which has been put in during the year. This effects great saving of coal and labor. At a recent meeting of the Chamber of Commerce of the city of Pella the necessity of a new college gymnasium was proposed to the men. The idea found favor with them and at that meeting \$10,300 was subscribed for that purpose. The President has good prospects of soon securing some nine or ten thousand dollars more, so that building operations may be begun in the near future.

FINANCES.

Under this head our report is not as encouraging as we should like it to be. The Endowment has been increased during the year by some \$24,000, bringing it up to something over \$120,000 (see accompanying Treasurer's report). Several factors interfered with the success of our Financial agent. The great War, with its Liberty Loan and War-work drives, greatly hampered the work of securing funds for the College. Then the wide-spread influenza epidemic practically closed the door for three months to all who would canvass

the community. Then also the practically impassable condition of the country roads for a great part of the winter has greatly retarded the work in our rural communities. So the hopes of the Board in regard to the Endowment of the College have not been realized. We are glad to report however that there is a substantial increase in contributions for current expenses from the churches. These total this year somewhat over \$3,000, which is an increase of 50 per cent. over those of last year. Thus evidently the circle of friends of the college is widening, and the prospects for usefulness in the future are better than ever before.

The Board of Trustees, mindful of the encouragement and favor received from your honorable body in past years, respectfully comes to Synod with the following requests:

1. That Central College be commended to all the churches of our Denomination for an annual contribution to its current expenses.
2. That General Synod authorize the Board of Education, R. C. A., to appropriate \$4,000 toward the support of Central College during the ensuing year.

Respectfully submitted,

J. WESSELINK,
Secretary of the Board.

TREASURER'S REPORT, CENTRAL COLLEGE. FOR THE YEAR 1918-1919, ENDING MAY 14, 1919.

H. J. VAN DEN BERG, *Treasurer.*

PERMANENT ENDOWMENT.

D. De Bruin and G. S. Van Zee.....	\$3,000 00
Abraham and James E. Ver Ploeg	1,400 00
Milton J. Hoffman	800 00
Paul Synhorst	1,500 00
Cornelis Volstra	375 00
R. J. Becker	1,350 00
Otley Savings Bank, one share	100 00
Rev. B. F. Brinkman	350 00
G. V. Orr and Y. T. Van Niewaal	2,000 00
Trynie Van Drimmelen	1,600 00
Bosch Home	3,875 00
Ladies' Dormitory	16,369 73
Liberty Bonds	10,400 00
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Total amount of loans	43,119 73

Original Subscription Notes	62,445 00
Cash in Security Bank	1,034 86
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Total Permanent Endowment	106,599 59
Curtis and Barker	13,693 56
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Total Productive Endowment	120,293 15
Non-productive Endowment	1,150 00

CURTIS AND BARKER—ENDOWMENT FUND

Lafayette Lundy	\$1,500 00
Gysbert De Jong Estate	1,800 00
Peter Van Gendreon	1,200 00
Hendrick Bruinekool	1,150 00
Rev. S. Van der Werf	5,000 00
Cornelis Volstra	4,025 00
Cash in Security Bank	18 56
Total	\$13,693 56

CURRENT EXPENSES.

RECEIPTS.

Received College Semester fees	\$2,467 59
Received Academy Semester fees	1,498 25
Received Commercial Semester fees	1,673 00
Received Laboratory and Breakage	563 84
Received Interest on Endowment	4,230 85
Received Donations	4,670 11
Received from Churches	3,007 60
Received Board of Education	3,500 00
Received for Diplomas and Certificates	87 00
Received Reimbursement and other items	68 13
Received Athletic Field Account	104 22
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Total Receipts	\$21,870 59

DISBURSEMENT.

Paid Faculty	\$13,615 01
Rev. B. F. Brinkman	\$2,166 65
Lydia Ter Louw	192 50
Treasurer	400 00
Leen Goulouze, Janitor	990 00

Assistant Janitor	131 95	
Fuel and Power	1,187 06	
Light and Water	155 52	
Delegate Expenses	158 18	
Traveling, Pres't and Field Secretary.....	785 53	
Office Expenses	219 42	
Insurance	84 35	
Telephone rent	41 30	
Refunding semester fees	120 00	
Interest on notes,	\$1,062 55	
Interest on building bonds.....	672 72	
	<hr/>	1,735 07
Life Annuity	75 00	
Library Supplies	83 63	
Typewriters	144 55	
Laboratory supplies	443 08	
Litigation, Curtis and Barker	129 83	
High School Gymnasium Rent	47 50	
Upkeep, Grounds and Buildings	1,102 19	
Advertising and Printing	450 31	
Deficit at last year	1,363 75	
Total paid for Maintenance	<hr/>	\$12,207 37
Making total for Current Expenses		25,822 38
Making total for Receipts		21,870 59
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Deficit in this fund		\$3,951 81

MUSIC DEPARTMENT.

Cash on hand May 15, 1918.....	\$564 97	
Received for Piano Lessons	2,143 91	
Received for Voice Lessons.....	326 00	
Total amount received	<hr/>	\$3,034 88

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid Salaries	\$2,288 28	
Paid 10 per cent. to Organ and Piano Account	211 19	
Paid Refund	19 00	
Cash in bank, error \$4.80	516 41	
	<hr/>	\$3,034 88

PIANO AND ORGAN ACCOUNT.

Received 10 per cent. from Music Dept.....	\$211 19	
Received Piano and Organ Rent.....	64 40	
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DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid for Tuning Pianos	\$22 50	
Paid Eastey Organ Co.	184 08	
Paid for Moving Pianos	15 00	
Paid for Refund	25 00	
Cash in Bank	29 01	
	<hr/>	\$275 59

DORMITORIES. •

RECEIPTS.

Room Rent	\$1,386 50	
Board	5,265 52	
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DISBURSEMENTS.

Room Rent	\$171 25	
Eatables	3,994 78	
Matron	450 00	
Hired Help	838 55	
Coal	424 89	
Light and Water	186 35	
Phones and Phone Rent.....	36 45	
Repairs	105 10	
Refund	1 10	
Deficits last year	84 79	
Cash in Bank	358 76	
	<hr/>	\$6,652 02

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
THE NORTHWESTERN CLASSICAL ACADEMY.

To the General Synod, Reformed Church in America.

Orange City, Iowa, April 1, 1919.

Fathers and Brethren: Since last a report was made to your honorable body, momentous events have occurred in the world; and these have not been without influence on this institution and its purpose. In many respects the year has been an unnatural one. War, influenza, and the cessation of war have all contributed to interrupt regular procedure in our work. As elsewhere the effect has been a wholesome one on some, while on others it has wrought detriment. Whereas most of these irregularities have been beyond our control,

we have endeavored to deal with them as best we could. There have been imperfections yet we trust that not a little good has resulted. Impatience to see immediate results must be checked by the knowledge that the education of a child is a slow growth. Despite the difficulties with which it was necessary to contend, we are grateful for the evident tokens of the favor of God.

Our graduates number almost 400. A class of 17 was graduated last June: 14 boys and 3 girls. Eleven of the boys are continuing their studies at colleges. This is evidence that the purpose of the institution is being realized. During this school year some ninety have enrolled with us; however, the war and sickness have made inroads on our ranks, and now there is an actual regular attendance of 77. Sickness has been the cause of much irregular attendance. Thrice we were closed up by the Board of Health. Some of this lost time has been made up by shortening vacations, but we are still two weeks behind schedule. There have also been many individual cases of illness; yet we are grateful that no one was taken from us by death. This condition has contributed considerably to the quantity and quality of the work done. The loss sustained by absences is greater than the actual number of days missed seems to indicate. The conduct of the students has in a measure lacked perfection; and we regret that some are not wholly possessed by a consuming love for study.

The corps of teachers is but little different from that of last year. One left for government service and another was employed in his place. One will leave us this year and the "soldier" will be reinstated. Perfect harmony has prevailed among the teachers, and all have been able to meet their classes almost regularly. The willingness on the part of the teachers to be of service to the students is limited only by the amount of service desired by the students.

Efforts are being made to obtain accrediting by the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. We shall be able to meet the requirements as soon as the town has extended within reach certain improvements. Of course we have for many years been accredited by the Iowa State Board of Education. It would be desirable if we could add new subjects to the course of study, and this is our purpose as soon as we can see the way clear financially.

The financial condition is at present encouraging.

The Endowment Fund at present amounts to \$49,939.73, an increase over last year of \$1,434.66. With the increased cost of everything this fund has rendered saving service. It is not our purpose to cease efforts to increase the amount of productive monies, but propose to add to this whatever we can so that we may enlarge our usefulness.

An itemized statement of receipts and expenditures will best illustrate the condition of the Contingent Fund:

CONTINGENT FUND.

From April, 1918, to March 31, 1919.

RECEIPTS.

Balance, April 1, 1918.....	\$2,155 92
Board of Education, R. C. A.....	1,200 00
Loan	1,000 00
Miscellaneous	6 50
Individual Gifts	25 00
For Paving of Street	1,265 00
Students' Fees	1,196 00
Endowment Fund Interest	2,474 39
Donations from Churches—	
East Sioux Classis	1,739 35
West Sioux Classis	1,237 63
Dakota Classis	372 33
Cascades Classis	35 75
Total	<hr/> \$12,707 87

EXPENDITURES.

Salaries—	
Janitor	\$530 00
Teachers	4,986 00
Light	16 86
Fuel	404 20
Library	110 00
Reading Room	34 00
Postage	9 04
Repairs and Labor	336 70
Supplies	89 23
Printing	59 25
Contest and Committee	21 00
Insurance	100 00
For Paving of Street	3,587 50
Liquidate Loan and Interest	1,033 75
Miscellaneous	92 27
Balance, March 31, 1919.....	1,298 07
Total	<hr/> \$12,707 87

Eliminating duplicates and specials, the actual running expenses of this institution amount to about \$6,250.00. This, we believe, shows but little waste. Receipts from the Endowment Fund and the contributions from the churches have increased. The churches of the East and West Sioux Classes have given \$250.00 more than last year. Some large and some small churches have given generously; but it is to be regretted that 21 churches some large and some small, of these two Classes seem to have forgotten the institution this year. Of the Dakota Classis six churches contributed. With one exception they are the same churches that contributed last year. The amount is encouraging, but we would like to see all the churches do something. Only one church, North Yakima, of the Classis of the Cascades sent a contribution and a generous one.

This institution is undoubtedly supplying a need in this community. The fruit of the labors expended here has been and is appreciable and beneficial to state and church. A more abundant supply of means would remove many a handicap and open the way for definite improvements. Trusting that our labors are meeting with divine approval, we are bold to entreat all who love the Kingdom of God that they give us their hearty support and co-operation.

JOHN ENGELSMAN,
Secretary.

ANNUAL REPORT OF PLEASANT PRAIRIE ACADEMY.

To the General Synod, R. C. A.

Fathers and Brethren: In looking back upon our school work of the past year, it is with mingled feelings of regret and gratitude. The effects of the war have been felt by us very keenly, inasmuch as it has reduced the number of our students to some extent. The unusual amount of sickness, in consequence of the "Flu," prevalent everywhere, has also hindered our work somewhat the first part of the winter. Yet, while these conditions existed to our regret, we have reasons to rejoice in the belief that the Lord has been very gracious unto us. He has not only preserved all the lives of our students and teachers, but has signally blessed us in many ways. The students have done faithful work and the religious interest has been revived. It seemed that by the blessing of God our trials were means to that end, for all of which we praise Him.

1. The Faculty.—Owing to the fact that it was very difficult to secure suitable teachers for our work we have managed to get along with three regular teachers this year. The Principal, Prof. A. F. Beyer, with Prof. D. J. Waalkes carried the work as before, and the place made vacant by the resignation of Prof. Everts was supplied by Prof. Alfred Qual. All the work outlined in the catalogue was covered and faithfully done.

2. Enrollment.—Our enrollment during the present school year since September was 30. Adding to these the five that were graduated last June brings the number to 35. Eleven of last year's students did not return, partly on account of the draft and partly because they were needed at home or on the farm for the same reason. With the exception of the few weeks, when a short vacation was deemed necessary and when sickness prevailed, the attendance was fairly regular and special efforts were made on the part of the teachers and students to make up for lost time.

3. Purpose of the School.—If the fact is kept in mind that this school was founded by the churches of the classis of Pleasant Prairie 25 years ago for the purpose of serving the peculiar needs of the youth of these churches, both as regards their literary as well as their religious education, and this people of Reformed stock believe in the wisdom of an Educated Ministry of their own faith and kin, it may become apparent that this school has a peculiar mission of its own and that it cannot be carried on in any other way without destroying its original purpose. A work of this kind is naturally of slow growth, but we think our past history shows nevertheless that the institution is not only serving its purpose well, but is becoming a strong factor in serving the true interests of the church at large. We give a strong course of religious instruction in which the student can best understand it, both English and German. The Classical, Scientific and Literary Courses in the English language are up to the standard requirements of Hope and Central colleges and the record of our students, who enter these colleges bear out fully our statements. Our aim is to turn out workmen who need not be ashamed. This also applies to our normal studnets who have become teachers. They are actually in demand and not the less on account of their high Christian character. Does this work deserve to be supported and carried on? We think so.

4. Improvements.—A considerable amount of money was spent last year in making necessary repairs on the building. More will need to be done this year.

5. Finances.—The report of the Treasurer gives the following statement:

Receipts—

From Churches, Societies, Individuals.....	\$3,162 37
Interest from Endowment Fund	136 55
Students' Fees	387 55
Board of Education	1,200 00
Total Receipts	\$4,887 07
Disbursements	\$4,338 95

6. Needs.—If this school work is to be carried on effectively and uncrippled we need more proper accommodations such as enlarging the dormitory, sufficient equipment, an electric lighting plant, etc. The times in which we live simply demand this. Ample endowment also is needed. Classis has therefore considered the advisability of putting a financial agent in the field and has taken steps to secure one of the best men in the classis for that purpose.

Meanwhile we are in need of the continued support of General Synod. We therefore sincerely petition General Synod for an appropriation of \$1,200.00 for the coming school year, 1919-1920.

Respectfully submitted,

The Classis of Pleasant Prairie,

GEORGE SCHNUCKER,

Stated Clerk.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF WISCONSIN MEMORIAL ACADEMY.

Dear Brethren: As we look back upon this last year of the work of the Wisconsin Memorial Academy, we may regard it with some degree of satisfaction. We may feel that the Academy's scholastic work has been maintained in spite of interruptions due to influenza quarantine, that its financial outlook is improving, that there is promise of increased favor for the institution among the churches, and that the school's spirit is still hearty, wholesome, and vigorous.

During the last summer nine churches of the Classis of Wisconsin were addressed by the principal at the Sunday services, and canvassed for students. The response in the way of interest, increased contributions, and students has been encouraging.

Last June a class of eight was graduated. The enrollment at the opening of school in September was fifty-one, a little larger than for some years. It is expected that in June a class of twelve will be graduated, the largest graduating class in the school's history.

With one change the faculty has been the same as the preceding year: Principal T. F. Zwemer, Miss Sue Soerens, and Miss Ruth Veldhuis remaining, while Miss Florence Walvoord, Hope '18, assumed charge of History and Latin. The relations between Board, faculty, and students have been all that could be desired.

As was the case with other institutions, the Academy's doors were closed by state quarantine in October for some four weeks; about half of the time lost is being made up by shortening vacations. Otherwise the year has been a normal one, with the Day of Prayer and other special occasions appropriately observed. The course of study has been re-arranged to harmonize better with Wisconsin normal school arrangements. The school was inspected during the year

by the University and remains on the accredited list. Some additional furniture and laboratory equipment has been secured, and a fund for the purchase of new library books was given by last year's graduating class.

The condition of the treasury is as follows:

Balance from March, 1918.....	\$419 71	
Total Received	3,785 71	
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Total expended		3,630 58
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Balance on hand		\$574 84

There has been an increase in funds received from tuition, from local gifts, and from the churches, especially those of the Wisconsin Classis. Another hopeful feature is the action of the Alumni Association toward the raising of an endowment fund. On the other hand, expenses have increased in proportion to the general rise in prices, certain improvements to the building are immediately imperative, and progress demands a gradual increase in equipment.

The Academy's chief needs, today as previously, are two-fold: a sounder financial footing; and more students, especially from the outlying churches. This latter need cannot be over-emphasized. A growing student body is essential, not simply for the existence and maintenance of the school, but rather for the accomplishment of that work for the Kingdom for which the Academy was founded.

At the March meeting of the Board it was resolved:

That Classis be asked to recommend the Academy to the Board of Education for aid in the amount of \$1,500;

That the following nominations for membership in the Board be submitted to Classis: for re-election for a term of three years, Rev. M. C. Ruissard, Rev. C. Kuyper, Mr. H. J. Renskers, Mr. J. Wisselink; also for the term of three years, Rev. H. J. Pietenpol; in place of Mr. J. B. Huenink, deceased, Mr. Wm. Huenink, for a term of two years; in place of Mr. A. Fontaine, resigned, Rev. Wm. Walvoord, for a term of one year.

And may the prayers of the churches arise to God's throne, that he may continue to bless the Academy and use it for His Kingdom.

Respectfully submitted,

Board of Trustees,

THEODORE F. ZWEMER,

MARTIN C. RUISAARD,

Committee.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in American, 1919.

Fathers and Brethren: To the Committee on Education were referred various Communications, which may best be arranged in three groups:

1. Reports of the various Boards of Benevolence.
 - (a) The Classical Board of Benevolence.
 - (b) The Classical Board of Education of the Northwest.
 - (c) The Board of Benevolence of Pleasant Prairie Academy.
2. Annual reports of educational institutions, and recommendations of Classes in regard to these.
 - (a) Report of Hope College
 - (b) Report of Central College.
 - (c) Report of the Northwestern Classical Academy.
 - (d) Report of Pleasant Prairie Academy.
 - (e) Report of Cedar Grove Memorial Academy.
 - (f) Recommendations in regard to the Academies from Classes East Sioux, West Sioux, Pleasant Prairie, and Wisconsin.
3. Communications from the Board of Education:
 - (a) Annual Report.
 - (b) Special Report on a Western District Committee of Education.
 - (c) Proceedings of the Educational Conference held in New York in March.
 - (d) Report of General Synod's and the Board's Committee on Survey.

These reports contain a great deal of interesting information, a part of which should be given to Synod at this time.

It is worth noting that the Classical Boards of Benevolence in the Particular Synod of Chicago have together contributed \$2,943.39 for the support of students in the various preparatory schools, all of this amount being given to the Church, in addition to the contributions from these churches, to the regular funds of the Board of Education.

We quote the following from the Report of the Council of Hope College: "There have been the following changes in the faculty: Rev. Paul E. Hinkamp has been appointed to the Chair of Bible and Philosophy, and Prof. Albert A. Lampen has been appointed to the Chair of Mathematics."

"Hope College has done her part in the great National crisis. One hundred and five of the student body entered the regular service in some one of its branches. A student army training corps

was established on the campus, with a personnel of 91 enlisted men. Two of the students died of disease while in service. The student body and the faculty subscribed \$3,500 to the various war charities. The faculty gave unlimited time to the different drives and the girls of the college sold \$25,000 worth of Liberty and Victory Bonds.

"The student roll for the academic year is as follows:

College	289
Preparatory School	75
School of Music	59
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Total	423

"The religious conditions of the college continues to be marked by an intense and devoted spirit. Hope has made her usual record in the State Oratorical League, taking first place in her representative, Mr. Roscoe Mott Giles, Jr., of Skaneateles, N. Y., a member of the Junior Class. The College Debating League won both debates in triangular contest with Olivet and Alma Colleges.

"The financial condition of the College continues difficult. Tuitions and other fees have been materially lowered, compelling utmost economy. The General Endowment has been increased during the year by almost \$15,000, but the current balance is only \$6.90. To accomplish even this, utmost economy was necessary.

"The first year's administration of President Dimment has won the hearty approval and enthusiasm of the Council."

CENTRAL COLLEGE.

Central College reports a good year, in spite of the difficulties of organizing student army corps, and the influenza epidemic. Present enrollment, 209, 10 per cent. larger than last year, while last year was 15 per cent. higher than the year before. The equipment has been increased. The new library leaves nothing to be desired. The Ladies' Dormitory, costing \$60,000, provides a comfortable home for the girls. A movement for a new gymnasium, proposed to the Chamber of Commerce, funds being guaranteed by them, with \$6,025 pledged. Work will begin in June.

The Endowment up to date is \$125,000.

NORTHWESTERN CLASSICAL ACADEMY.

The Northwestern Classical Academy reports an actual attendance of 77. Financial condition is encouraging: \$1,434.00 was added to the Endowment Fund, at present amounting to \$49,939.00. Run-

ning expenses of the institution amount to about \$6,250.00. The Churches of the East and West Sioux Classes have given \$250.00 more than last year. A special effort is to be made to increase the endowment of the institution.

PLEASANT PRAIRIE ACADEMY.

Pleasant Prairie Academy reports an enrollment of 35, reduced through the Draft. Many improvements are being made in the buildings. The school needs better accommodations. Classis has considered the advisability of putting a financial agent in the field, and is taking steps to secure such a man.

WISCONSIN MEMORIAL ACADEMY.

Wisconsin Memorial Academy reports an enrollment of 51, slightly larger than for some years. The treasury shows a balance of \$574.00 above expenses. The Academy needs a sounder financial footing and more students.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

The Board of Education sends several communications of unusual interest.

On the roll of the Board are 68 students, the same number as last year, distributed as follows: 30 in the Seminaries; 35 in the Colleges; 3 in Medical School.

An important new departure in the work of the Board was the educational conference held in New York, March of this year, composed of representatives of the Board and one man from each of the Reformed Church Seminaries and Colleges. Addresses delivered at the Conference were on the following subjects: The Scope and Work of the Board, by Dr. E. W. Thompson; The Curriculum for Students, Preparing to Enter the Theological Seminary, by Dr. Raven; Securing Students for the Ministry, by Dr. Kuizenga; an Aid for Students in Preparation for the Ministry and Medical Missions, by President Dimment. Papers and discussions brought into relief three general needs of the Board:

1. The inadequacy of the description of the business and objects of the Board of Education, indicated in its articles of incorporation. The Charter of the Board reads: "The particular business of this Board shall be the promotion of the growth of the Reformed Church by educating young men for the ministry of the Gospel, and by extending aid to the schools of the Church."

2. The lack of concerted planning and coordinated effort on the part of the Board of Education and our educational institutions, especially in their common interest of securing students for the ministry, and other forms of Christian leadership.

3. The need of maintaining a high standard of educational preparation for all forms of Christian leadership.

The Board also transmitted to the Synod a partial survey of the history, present status, and needs of the Board of Education, which will prove of great value in unifying the plans and fixing the scope of the work.

In 1916 a Special Overture came to General Synod from the Particular Synod of Chicago, asking for the appointment of a Western District Committee on Education, in view of the increasing educational work in the West. This overture was referred to the Board by Synod, was studied by a Special Committee of the Board, with the result of a special recommendation to be placed before the Synod.

Offerings received during the year amounted to \$14,368.44, of which sum \$9,982.00 were contributed for the several accounts of the contingent fund, and \$4,386.01 were added to the Permanent Fund Scholarships, \$4,000 of this were given by Mrs. Elizabeth D. Leonard, of Syracuse, N. Y., and by her daughter, Miss Anna E. Leonard, of Syracuse, N. Y., to constitute the Rev. Garrett Mandeville Scholarship. The Rev. John Nicholas Meury Fund has been increased to make its present amount \$1,940.95.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

Your Committee offers the following recommendations:

1. That the last Thursday or Sunday of January be observed throughout the Church as a Day of Prayer for schools, colleges, and seminaries.
2. That Pleasant Prairie Academy be recommended to the Board for the Sum of Twelve Hundred Dollars.
3. That the Northwestern Classical Academy be recommended to the Board for Twelve Hundred Dollars.
4. That Cedar Grove Academy be recommended to the Board for Fifteen Hundred Dollars.
5. That Hope College be recommended to the Board for Five Thousand Dollars.
6. That Central College be recommended to the Board for Four Thousand Dollars.
7. That Hope College be recommended to the various Synods and Classes of the Church for their support and co-operation, so that no closed doors may be encountered in the effort to advance the kingdom.
8. That Central College be commended to the care of all the churches, especially that section which the College primarily serves.
9. That the Central College Committee of the Board be continued.
10. That Rev. E. W. Thompson be appointed member of the Council of Hope College for one year.
11. That Rev. John H. Raven, Rev. James F. Zwemer, Rev. E. G. W. Meury, the Rev. Theo. F. Bayles, President Edward D. Dimment,

Mr. James L. Griggs, Mr. Henry P. Schneeweiss, and Mr. W. W. Cowenhoven, be appointed by the General Synod as members of the Board of Education.

12. That the Charter of the Board of Education, in its Third Paragraph, be amended so it shall read:

"The particular business and objects of such Society shall be the promotion of the growth of said Church by securing and educating young men for the ministry of the Gospel, by extending aid to theological and collegiate institutions and religious schools under the care and founded according to the order of said Church, by assisting young men and women for Medical Missionary service, and by providing for other forms of Christian leadership, under the Supervision of the General Synod of said Church."

13. That the following services be and are hereby recognized as coming within the scope of the work of the Board of Education:

- (1) Aiding students for the ministry, while in preparation.
- (2) Aiding medical missionary students in preparation.
- (3) Recruiting which searches for and discovers, candidates for the ministry, and for such other forms of Christian leadership as may be approved by the Board of Education or the General Synod.
- (4) Assisting schools and colleges in such work as may be in line with the educational ideals of the Church.
- (5) Power of initiative in all lines of work suggested by the Synod.
- (6) Power to raise money and use it for the purpose of the Board, with power to co-ordinate and unify educational programs and financial drives of the institutions of the Church.

14. That all students in college, under the care of the Board of Education, be required to take a full four-year Course, leading to the A. B. degree or its equivalent, unless permission has been secured from the Board to modify this requirement.

15. That the General Synod accept the following as embodying its ideas in recruiting students for the Ministry:

- (1) That the responsibility of recruiting for the Ministry and other forms of Christian leadership should be put on every member of the Church, especially on parents, Bible School teachers, ministers, college and seminary professors.
- (2) That individual churches and communities should feel called upon to recruit as far as they can and to make much of those who are in preparation.
- (3) That the Church should achieve more fully the New Testament view of the great significance of the Church

and of its mighty world task, both evangelistic and community.

- (4) That the seminaries and colleges should recruit according to their opportunity and should co-operate to form seminary preparatory courses.
- (5) That the enterprise of recruiting should become more, the continuous co-ordinated task of the whole Church.
- (6) That the Board of Education and the faculties of the Theological Seminary, in conjunction with other agencies, should aim at recruiting work among students before they enter college, and should assume responsibility for co-ordination, inspiration, and persistence in this work, that recruiting should be done by sending individual ministers into the schools by delegations or teams and by publication of material stating the claims of the ministry with its heroic achievement.

16. That consistories and classes exercise great care in recommending students for aid and in renewing such recommendation from year to year, paying particular attention to the ability of the student to secure means for his support apart from those furnished by the Board of Education.

17. That college faculties, in submitting their faculty reports to the Board of Education, be requested to note with special care both the academic and moral rating of each student receiving aid from the Board, and that the continuance of such aid be determined by the satisfactory character of these reports.

18. That the Board of Education be authorized to constitute a Western District Committee on Education, to co-operate with the Board in all collegiate and academic educational interests.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

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J. A. THURSTON,
C. VAN OOSTENBRUGGE,
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P. DEBEER,
H. V. STORY,
M. E. CLARK,

Committee on Education.

Pending the adoption of this Report, Rev. E. W. Thomson, president of the Board, Rev. J. G. Gebhard, secretary of the Board, and Rev. B. F. Brinkman, Financial Agent of Central College, addressed the Synod.

The Report was adopted.

Later in the sessions, President Dinment of Hope College, addressed Synod.

ARTICLE VII.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

The Permanent Committee on Sunday Schools and Young People's Societies has been discontinued.

References formerly made to the Committee are now made to the Standing Committee on Publication and Bible School Work.

The work formerly performed by this Committee has been taken over by the Board of Publication and Bible School Work.

ARTICLE VIII.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The Committee has received the following:

I. The eighty-seventh annual report of the Board of Foreign Missions;

II. The Year Book of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions, containing its forty-fifth annual report;

III. A proposal to create a Central Board to administer the Foreign Missionary Work of the Reformed-Presbyterian Family of Churches in the United States.

I. THE REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS FOR 1919.

It is a singularly impressive and inspiring document. The romance of the great world movement that, more than any other, is

tending to the healing of the nations is told with a vivid simplicity and directness that holds the mind and thrills the heart of a sympathetic reader. The ever-increasing scope and beneficent results of the work are set forth so clearly that faith in God and man and hope for the world receive a new impulse. Through all the statement one feels the power, patience and wisdom of the directing minds and wills of the leaders who, under God, are enabling our generation in this church to realize the fulfillment in large degree of the hopes of those who gave their life blood that the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ may be known to all men. Your committee ventures the hope that this Report may be studied more widely and carefully than any previous one has been. It is impossible to attempt an outline of "The story of the Year" at home or abroad. These are a few gleanings. "There is probably no year in the history of the Board that has given so many gratifying evidences of the large place which the Foreign Missionary enterprise holds in the thought and giving of our Reformed Church." "The gifts from the churches have increased 17 per cent. while the gifts from all sources have increased 15 per cent. "Gifts from churches to the Arabian Mission have increased 10 per cent., from all sources 19 per cent."

"Per capita giving is the great test. This has been \$2.57 from each church member against \$2.46 for last year." It is on the living rather than the dead that the work depends. The receipts from legacies this year have been \$40,000 less than last and \$24,000 less than the average for four past years. The extraordinary expenses of these abnormal times have led to a total deficit of \$59,000."

The Mission Fields: In China "the circumstance of the war, as well as the completion of seventy-five years in the history of this mission, have led to the recent expansion of this field; nearly doubling its area.

In India: "It is just one hundred years since Dr. John Scudder went to India and founded Medical Missions. Disturbed as its people have been by the tumult of the nations they have been led into a clearer expression of their inner life and longings, and multitudes are seeking admission to the Christian Church."

In Japan "the Church of Christ is a power. Its Japanese leadership is strong and vigorous and the co-operation of our missionaries is invited and accepted."

In Arabia: "Our Mission, established thirty years ago, now stands upon the top of happy opportunity for which they have long and patiently waited. Northward, westward, southward the mission is now looking with eager expectation to the realization of its vision." These are a few generalizations from long pages of facts set forth so clearly that every part is of absorbing interest.

The statement of methods of work and results in the Home De-

partment is equally instructive and inspiring. The report of the Associate Secretary is of special concern. It is noteworthy that at Holland, Michigan, a building for the Board of Domestic and Foreign Missions has been opened. The report ends with the names of twenty-two new appointments to the several fields.

"This long list of those who have dedicated their lives to the work is the most promising feature of the whole report. It means that the young life of our church stands ready, now that the war has ended, to put forth the same splendid effort in the great crusade for the bringing in of the Kingdom of God."

The Financial Statement: The combined receipts from all sources of the Board and of the Arabian Mission were \$345,462.82, being \$20,170.74 in excess of the amount received last year.

II. THE WOMAN'S BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Instead of publishing separately the annual reports of the four mission fields, this year this Board has issued a Year Book. In it are reports from the fields, a statement of the administration work and of the societies at home. Every one of its 144 pages is of absorbing interest. It is reasonable to hope that this publication will have a large and blessed influence in extending the power of this beneficent organization in all of our churches. The receipts of the Woman's Board from all sources reached the unprecedented amount of \$109,898.87. Of this \$5,000 was contributed for land for the proposed memorial to Mrs. Booth in connection with Ferris Seminary. The Woman's Board paid during the year into the treasury of Synod's Board \$83,556. The fine co-operation and comradeship between these two blessed agencies of our Church is a source of strength and hope for all her life. In their growing fellowing is the promise of her future.

CONCLUSION.

A series of five recommendations are made by the Board to the Synod. After careful consideration your committee unanimously advise their adoption. They are as follows.

These recommendations were unanimously adopted.

1. That the custom of preceding years be followed and the last Sunday of February be designated for the special presentation of the cause of Foreign Missions in our Churches and in their Sunday Schools.

2. That we continue to emphasize our approval and recommendation of the Every Member Canvass, in successful use in a con-

tinually increasing number of Churches, as the best method of enlisting the financial assistance of the entire constituency of our Church in support of the local Church and the denominational agencies, and that it be urged that such annual canvass be conducted through the personal visits of members of a committee of the consistory or congregation.

3. That the One Day's Income Fund for Missions be discontinued; as it represented an emergency policy to meet special contingencies arising from war conditions which it is fully expected will soon improve.

4. That we urge upon individuals the method of Conditional Gifts or Annuities, as an increasingly satisfactory and dependable source of income, advantageous alike in the direction of carrying out the purpose of the donor and of making such purpose ultimately available for the work of the Board and the Church.

5. That we place ourselves on record as profoundly of the belief that the closing of the World War must be the signal to the Church of Christ to go forward and that co-operation and united advance of all branches of the Church are demanded as never before.

In recognition of this solemn consciousness of responsibility to God, that we recommend to General Synod the following course of action for the strengthening of the cause of Foreign Missions in response to the demands of the hour:

(a) As a concrete expression of our resolve and our faith in its achievement in view of the results of this year, we as a Board and as a Church definitely and purposefully undertake to move forward our financial goal from \$350,000 to \$400,000, as our fair obligation and attainable object for the coming year.

(b) The cordial support of the Reformed Church Progress Campaign which involves the following budget for the next five years, based on a careful study of the Field: The maintenance budget for five years, \$1,700,000; advance budget for maintenance and equipment, \$942,000; total, representing a five year budget for the Progress Campaign, \$2,642,000.

(c) Co-operation in the Interchurch World Movement representing the marshalling of the forces of Protestant Christianity in America to cope with the world problems of the Church, this co-operation to be maintained so far as may appear practicable and wise in the judgment of the Board as the plans of the Movement are developed.

Because of the inspiration of the organized work of the Women of our Church in the interest of Foreign Missions your committee offers this recommendation "Profoundly grateful to the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions for its increasing and resultful labors, this Synod asks of every woman of our Church hearty co-operation with the work of the Board."

The terms of nine members of the Board expire with this session of the General Synod:

Rev. J. F. Berg,

Rev. J. H. Whitehead,

Rev. W. P. Bruce,

Mr. John Bingham,

Rev. Edward Dawson,

T. G. Huizinga, M. D.,

Rev. Wm. B. Hill,

Mr. H. H. Kinports,

Rev. Malcolm J. MacLeod.

Your committee recommends that these be elected for a term of five years.

III. CENTRAL BOARD.

There was also placed in the hands of your committee "A Proposal to Create a Central Board to Administer the Foreign Missionary Work of the Reformed-Presbyterian Family of Churches in the United States."

This document of eleven pages and two maps is now offered by the Board of Foreign Missionaries to this Synod.

The introduction states the circumstances that first led to this proposal. There follows a memorandum with regard to the union of the Foreign Mission work of all the Presbyterian and Reformed Churches in the United States, giving ten reasons for such union.

Following this is a *proposed method* in eleven sections. Next, a possible objection, and a method by which such difficulty could be immediately met. Next, foundations of the Executive Committee of our Board of Foreign Missions. Next, the action of the Board of Foreign Missions of R. C. A. Finally the action of other Boards.

A careful study of these statements reveals at least three facts.

1. A spontaneous movement in the Reformed Churches in this land, holding the Presbyterian System, looking to unity of action in administering the work of Foreign Missions.

2. A singularly careful and searching study, during half a year, of this proposal on the part of our Board of Foreign Missions.

3. An apparently practical solution of certain problems that have under existing conditions, hampered and curtailed the work these five churches have undertaken, in obedience to the supreme command of our Divine Lord. The deduction your committee is obliged to make is that, taking due account of all limitation as to our vision and judgment, this proposal is the inspiration of God the Holy Ghost. As the entire plan is, in printed form, before the Synod your committee deems it wise to only include in this report:

I. The proposed method. II. The final action of our Board.
III. The action your committee recommends to this Synod.

PROPOSED METHOD.

1. Let each Board continue as at present its legal and ecclesiastical existence as a holding corporation and meet as often as it shall determine, but at least once a year in advance of the Church Court of the Body to which it is amenable.

2. Let a new Board of approximately 50 members be appointed either by the present Boards or by their Church Courts from the membership of their Foreign Mission Boards. The new Board to be made up, for example, of 14 to be appointed by the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., 9 by the Presbyterian in the U. S., 9 by the Reformed Church in the U. S., 9 by the United Presbyterians and 9 by the Reformed Church in America.

3. Let the new Board meet semi-annually to receive and pass upon the reports of the Executive Committee, and to transfer through the Board of each body a report to the Church Court of that body.

4. Let there be an Executive Committee of 25 which should be duly representative of all five bodies and which should meet monthly with full powers of the Board.

5. The new Board, if deemed desirable, might take in its own name all new titles and should through its executive committee receive and administer all foreign mission funds and direct the foreign mission work of all the churches.

6. The relations of the new Board to any future federal union of the Presbyterian and Reformed Churches should be clearly defined and provision should be made, if deemed wise, for the distribution of funds and assets in the event of its dissolution or on the withdrawal of any Board.

7. The new Board should choose its first officers from the present officers, secretaries and treasurers of the present Boards in such a way as to safeguard the interests and conserve the resources of the bodies represented. It should establish its central offices in New York City and transfer thereto as many of the officers of the Boards located elsewhere as may be deemed wise. It should also establish district offices in strategic centers. These district offices should be manned by officers from the present Boards and Committees in so far as this may be possible.

8. The problem of the relations of the women's foreign missionary work of the various churches should be carefully studied in conference with the women with a view to effecting as close a unity as possible of the entire foreign missionary work of all the churches.

ON THE FIELD ABROAD.

1. All the missionaries of the present Boards should become the missionaries of the new Board.

2. Where the missions of the various Boards overlap, as in Mexico, Japan, Korea, China and India, and perhaps Brazil, they should be consolidated as single missions or rearranged on the basis of geographical considerations.

3. All problems of missionary administration should be determined by the new Board.

ACTION OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS, R. C. A.

Special Meeting, April 22, 1919.

In accordance with the call of the Meeting the recommendation of the Executive Committee, April 9, 1919, relative to the union of the Foreign Mission Work of the Presbyterian and Reformed Churches in the United States was considered, and after thorough discussion was unanimously approved in the following modified form:

VOTED.

(1) That the general plan of unifying the administration of the Foreign Missionary Work of the Presbyterian and Reformed Churches in the United States, as set forth in the original Memorandum on the subject and the Modifications proposed by the Special Committee appointed by the Executive Committee, February 20, 1919, be approved.

2. Provided:

- (a) That the integrity of the Denomination be not impaired.
- (b) That the personal relationship between Missionaries and individual Churches be continued.
- (c) That the utmost care be exercised in the selection and appointment of Missionaries with a view to maintaining the definitely Scriptural character of the Missionary's message.

(3) That the President appoint a Special Committee, of which he shall be a member, to present these Resolutions to General Synod at its forthcoming meeting in June, 1919.

These resolutions were unanimously adopted.

Your committee recommended the following:

I. This Synod approves the proposal to create a Central Board to administer the Foreign Missionary Work of the Reformed Presbyterian Family of Churches in the United States.

II. That it empowers its Board of Foreign Missions to enter into negotiations with the constituted Boards of these sister Churches in accordance with the proposed plan submitted to this Synod.

III. That it authorizes its Board to fully co-operate with the Boards of the other Churches to consummate the creation of one Central Board of Foreign Missions. Provided,

- (a) That the integrity of the Denomination be not impaired.
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 - (c) That the utmost care be exercised in the selection and appointment of Missionaries with a view to maintaining the definitely Scriptural character of the Missionary's message.
 - (d) That in the consummation of this plan full conference be had with the missionary force of our Church.
- All of which is respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH R. DURYEE, *Chairman*,
W. HILL,
J. H. BRINCKERHOFF,
E. F. ROMIG,
C. DE YOUNG,
J. LAMAR,
W. P. SOPER,
G. KRAMER,
H. J. HAMLIN,
J. V. WEMPLE,
H. W. WOOD,
A. L. FREDERICK,
J. F. VAN DYK,
J. POPPENG,
C. A. MORTON,
D. McCLURE,
S. V. WALDRON.

After the first two sections of the Report were heard, Mr. F. M. Potter, and Rev. W. I. Chamberlain addressed Synod, and that part of the Report was adopted.

Section III then presented by the Chairman, and was received by Synod, and Rev. W. I. Chamberlain, Rev. Henry E. Cobb, Rev. T. H. Mackenzie, and Rev. Ame Vennema, addressed Synod. Then on motion to adopt Synod entered into a discussion that consumed the time of the Monday afternoon session. The discussion was resumed on Tuesday morning when Rev. E. J. Blekkink addressed the Synod upon request. After a prolonged discussion Section III was adopted.

A resolution of gratitude was offered to Dr. Chamberlain by the Synod for his attendance at the Tuesday morning's session, inasmuch as he did so at the sacrifice of his intense desire to attend the commencement exercises at Vassar College where his daughter graduated.

ARTICLE IX.

DOMESTIC MISSIONS AND THE CHURCH BUILDING FUND.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DOMESTIC MISSIONS TO GENERAL SYNOD OF THE REFORMED CHURCH IN AMERICA.

The Committee has had referred to it the 87th Report of the Board of Domestic Missions and the 36th Annual Report of the Woman's Board, together with a petition from the Particular Synod of Chicago, asking that the Board assume control of the Normal and Industrial Institute at Brewton, Ala., and an offer of a gift of a colored school in North Carolina from the Industrial Union of America of Southern Pines.

Reviewing the year's work as set forth in these Reports, evidences abound of continued efficiency and marked Providential blessing. There has been an increase of almost ten per cent. in contributions and income from invested funds. Your Committee would express gratification in the result of the One Day Income Fund as an emergency appeal.

The alarming increase in the number of vacant churches presents a formidable problem, which should engage the careful consideration of the Church. Your Committee would commend the Board for what has been done in increasing the number of Classical missionaries, and giving aid for their support, and for the supplement granted to pastors of struggling churches.

Your Committee would recommend that it be the sense of Synod that every effort possible be made towards consolidation of churches, not only of the same, but of different Evangelical denominations, and that Classes approve of no call to any pastor for less than One Thousand Dollars and a parsonage,—the Board co-operating to raise that minimum if it sees its way clear.

We note with gratification the splendid services rendered by student missionaries and commend them for their consecrated labors.

The immigrant work among the Hungarians and Italians has been limited by the extreme difficulty in securing workers, but has shown marked evidence of fine fruitage and it is urged that the

work be extended as the survey points out feasible and promising opportunities.

Particularly deserving of commendation is the work in the tropical out-station of the Virgin Islands, St. Thomas, where Rev. B. J. Følensbee has been doing a remarkable work for nearly a year.

In the matter of the Church's opportunities for service among the negroes of the South, a recommendation has been presented by the Particular Synod of Chicago that the Board of Domestic Missions assume the administration of the Normal and Industrial Institute in Brewton, Ala. And your Committee recommend that Synod refer the matter to the Board with power to act in accordance with its best judgment. In the matter of a proposed gift of a colored school in Southern Pines, N. C., your Committee would recommend that it be referred to the Board for investigation if the Board deems it wise.

Your Committee cannot find words sufficiently emphatic to voice properly the necessity for a large increase in the Church Building Fund. The Board is now overwhelmed with requests for loans from churches happily relieved from war restrictions upon buildings, nor is the present high level of money asked for likely ever to subside to the pre-war average. Newly organized churches must have buildings of better character and of greatly increased cost than a decade ago. Old churches must plan better facilities for the community work, which the successful church of the future will promote. The basement will no longer suffice. Parish houses with adequate equipment for the Bible School, for the activities of the young people, for the Boy Scouts, and the Men's Clubs, should be possessed by every Reformed Church now without one. In increasing measure the Board must be prepared to supplement funds for Church building raised locally. Promising fields are left to other denominations because the Board has no money to lend them. To one who loves the Reformed Church, the situation is tragic. The Progress Budget calls for \$130,000 for church and parish building. This sum should be at least doubled, as the survey points out the need of at least \$425,000, while last year the Board spent in the entire country \$36,000, of which amount the Church contributed \$11,000.

That the new world order must hold justice and opportunity for us and our children, and that the Protestant Christian Church is the only instrument for making real this Christly purpose, is the keynote in the Report of the Woman's Board of Domestic Missions. The Report is full of interest to all who wish to carry out the evangelistic program among mountaineers, Indians and aliens. It speaks eloquently of the unceasing labor of the women of our Church, and their dedication to this worthy cause. Twenty-six student mission-

aries have served during the Summer. Two classical missionaries have represented this Board. Three churches have received help toward the erection of parsonages. Four churches have been assisted in furnishings, and four aided with special gifts. The Indian work presents sunshine and shadows. Conditions in the six Mission Stations have been far from normal, due to the war and influenza epidemic. While discouraging situations have arisen, our workers are bravely accepting the challenge that the fields present. The Commanche Mission reports that the Peyote worshippers are apparently more determined than ever in their opposition to all the people who do not want them to retain the drug habit worship of the Peyote fruit. The State of Oklahoma has granted to the Peyote people a charter for the organization of a "Native American Church," which shall use peyote as a Sacrament. While it is expected that the membership in this Mission will decrease there is no reason for discouragement unless one wishes to look alone on the human side.

Twenty-six were received on Confession in the Winnebago Mission. The Report states that the outlook for Indian work throughout the United States is hopeful. For the first time in the history of Indian Missions, an inter-denominational conference will be held at some central point. The coming five years must see an adjustment of our Indian Mission, as shall make possible the Board's reaching out to the 20,000 unevangelized Navahoes of the Arizona desert and mountains.

The report of the work among the Kentucky Mountaineers bristles with hope and encouragement. McKee has enjoyed a successful year. The Bussing chapel is nearing completion. The greatest present need at McKee is for a leader, an earnest consecrated minister with courage and vision. At Gray Hawk the physician in charge of the hospital has been compelled to withdraw on account of ill health. The school recently opened has enjoyed a prosperous year. Anneville reports a year of steady progress, one of the greatest improvements has been in farm development. The school continues to attract young people. Already more applications than would fill every place in both dormitories next year have been received. The Bussing Infirmary has been a great blessing. The church has received 11 new members. The Christian Endeavor Society has an attendance of over 200 each Sunday evening. There are over 4,000 children in Jackson County. In five years we must open the doors to 1200,—twice as many as at present enrolled.

The Japanese Mission in New York continues to be a potent force in interpreting American thought and Christianity to the Japanese.

"The Eastern Light," edited by Mr. Matsunata and Mr. Ohori, has a circulation of over 2,000 copies.

A word in reference to the Financial Report of the Board must be said. On March 1st the Board faced a deficit of \$60,000. With undaunted courage and with faith in the value and power of prayer; the women enlisted in a campaign of inter-sessions. That God still hears the prayers of His children is evidenced by the fact that the Board closed the year without a deficit, the sum of \$60,000 having been raised during the closing two months of the fiscal year, making the total contributions for the year \$106,077.56, the largest by \$10,000 ever received by the Board. And when it is recalled that the amount was received from regular church givers, rather than from special large gifts or legacies, we can reach no other conclusion than that the women of the Reformed Church have seen the new vision and are following the gleam.

Special commendation is deserved for the Board's assistance of the Progress Campaign in the matter of a survey of the Home Church, seeking information concerning the adequacy of the equipment now in use. The survey points out the need of widening the scope of service in the community; the sufficiency of church organizations to do this work if co-operation were brought about among the denominations in the community;—the lack of proper facilities for performing social and community service on the part of the Church, both East and West; the existence of un-Churched communities, which the Reformed Church must undertake to reach, and the imperative need of our Church serving alien communities, including Italian, Polish, Bohemian, Hungarian and Jewish. Your Committee urges the co-operation of every church in returning replies to the inquiries in the survey, that the Board may be able to render proper and necessary aid.

The attention of the Synod is directed to the Interchurch World Movement, a co-operative effort designed to determine the whole task of the Protestant Church in the Nation and the World, and by a simultaneous campaign, to secure the funds for its accomplishment. Your Committee recommends the following:

Resolved, That the Board of Domestic Missions be authorized to co-operate with the Interchurch World Movement insofar as its plans may harmonize with the Reformed Church Progress Campaign.

In co-operation with the spirit and plan of the Progress Campaign, the Budget for the year proposed by both Synod's Board and the Woman's Board is divided into two parts: a maintenance budget and a progress budget. The maintenance budget presents the following estimate: By the Church's Board—Church Sustentation, \$85,000; Church Extension, \$40,000; Church Building Fund, \$50,000; Immigrant Work, \$20,000; Student Missionaries, \$7,000; Negro Work, \$2,500; making a total of \$204,500. The Woman's Board pre-

sents the following maintenance budget: General Fund, \$46,900; Kentucky Mountain Mission, \$41,000; Indian Mission, \$40,000, making a total of \$127,900, or a total maintenance budget of \$332,400. The progress budget presents the following estimate: By Synod's Board—Church and parish building, \$80,000; Repairs and Additions, \$2,000; Equipment, \$1,000; additional workers, \$30,000; Unchurched Fields, \$10,000; New Alien Missions, \$10,000, making a total of \$133,000. By the Woman's Board—General Fund, \$15,890; Kentucky Mountain Mission, \$9,000; Indian Mission, \$7,000, making a total of \$31,890,—or a total progress budget of \$164,890. Your Committee recommend Synod's approval of this maintenance budget of \$332,400, and the progress budget of \$164,890, making a total for the year of \$497,290.

The Committee on Missionary Education has prepared a graded course in Mission Study, and it is urged upon the churches to avail themselves of the splendid material for missionary education.

Your Committee would make mention of the great loss sustained by the Church in the death during the year of Rev. E. F. Jacobellis, in charge of the Italian Mission at Weehawken, N. J., of Rev. F. G. Dekker, a Classical Missionary in the Classis of Iowa, and the Rev. P. G. Meengs, a Classical Missionary serving the three Classes of Michigan. Their service has been marked by singular consecration and efficiency, and their places will be hard to fill.

Your Committee recommend that the following named persons be nominated as members of the Board of Domestic Missions for the full term of three years: Rev. W. P. Soper, Rev. Clifford P. Case, Mr. George S. Hobart, Rev. Henry Sluyter, Rev. Otis M. Trousdale, Rev. George Schnucker, Mr. Charles W. Osborne, Mr. George Tiffany and Mr. Harry A. Kinports. In nominating the Rev. W. P. Soper, to succeed Dr. Brett, your Committee desires to place on record the following testimonial:

The Synod regrets that on account of distance, Dr. Cornelius Brett cannot continue his membership in the Board, with which he has been connected for 35 years, and which he served for 11 years as its President.

The Synod rejoices and gives thanks that the Board of Domestic Missions, and through it the Church at large, has enjoyed the able counsel of this faithful servant of God, and prays that Dr. Brett may long be spared to lend his influence to the upbuilding of the kingdom of God in America, in which he has ever displayed a deep interest and to which he has so freely given his time, his efforts, and his prayers.

Your Committee recommends (a) that the last Sunday in November be observed as Domestic Mission Sunday, and the week preceding, as Home Mission Week; (b) that at the public meet-

ing this evening, in the interest of Domestic Missions, the President of Synod preside, the Scripture to be read by the Rev. A. T. Broeck, and the prayer be offered by the Rev. J. P. DeYong; (c) that pending the adoption of the Report, the Synod listen to Dr. J. M. Farrar, Rev. S. Vanderwerf, and Mr. William T. Demarest.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

F. B. SEELEY, *Chairman*,
 A. T. BROEK,
 J. VANDER MEULEN,
 J. DEBEER,
 G. D. HULST,
 T. W. MUILENBURG,
 G. C. MULLER,
 H. KANTER,
 W. N. MACNEILL,
 J. MILLARD,
 H. DEAN SWIFT,
 H. VAN SLYKE,
 P. CONTANT,
 H. EISENGA,
 N. STEENSMA,
 C. W. BARTON,
 W. LAMERSON.

Pending the adoption of the Report the Rev. J. M. Farrar, Rev. S. Van der Werf, and Mr. W. T. Demarest addressed Synod.

The Report was adopted.

ARTICLE X.

PUBLICATION AND BIBLE SCHOOL WORK.

The following Reports were referred to the Committee on Publication and Bible School Work:

SECOND ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WAR SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE REFORMED CHURCH IN AMERICA TO THE GENERAL SYNOD, JUNE 6, 1919.

The War Service Commission of the Reformed Church in America herewith presents its Second Annual Report to the General Synod of 1919.

The War Service Work originated in the Committee on Evangelism of the Board of Publication and Bible School Work at the times of the entrance of the United States into the World War. Later, a Commission of Fifty Ministers and Laymen, representative of the Reformed Church in the three eastern Synods carried forward the movement, and, until Feb. 25, 1918, when the whole War Work of the denomination was placed in charge of the Executive Committee of this Commission of Fifty. The members of this Executive Committee are, Rev. Wm. I. Chamberlain, Chairman, Rev. W. N. P. Dailey, Secretary, Mr. John F. Chambers, Treasurer, Rev. Thomas H. Mackenzie, Rev. John A. Ingham, Rev. Joseph R. Sizoo, Rev. Abram Duryee, Mr. Wm. T. Demarest, Mr. R. H. Robinson, Mr. Harry A. Kinports, and Rev. O. M. Voorhees, Chn. of the Commission, *ex officio*.

The Executive Committee, holding frequent meetings throughout the year past, have directed the work of the Commission along certain definite lines, and among them, these,—

To collaborate with the General War Time Commission of the Churches in carrying forward the large and varied work of that body.

To supervise and pass upon the various applications for chaplaincies in the United States Army and Navy, and in the Red Cross.

To provide equipment for the Commissioned Chaplains in both the Army and Navy, said equipment consisting of typewriters, communion sets, Testaments and other literature, etc. To provide uniforms for the Camp Pastors and the Assistants to the Chaplains in the Navy, and meet other of their necessary expenses while in the camps and on ships and in hospitals. To circularize the churches for funds with which to carry on the work, and to carry on the large correspondence between the churches and the camps where their members were stationed, and with the men who were our church representatives at home and overseas.

The ministers of the Reformed Church in America who were commissioned chaplains upon the approval of the War Service Commission during the year 1918 were as follows:

In the United States Army: Rev. Arthur L. Berger, Rev. F. D. Blanchard, Rev. Walter S. Bloom, Rev. A. C. V. Dangremond, Rev. Orville E. Fisher, and Rev. J. W. Van Zanten, all of whom were attached to regiments in the United States, and Rev. Edward B. Irish, Rev. Philip Jonker, and Rev. George C. Lenington, who saw service abroad, in France. Rev. James Ossewaarde and Rev. Verne M. Oggel are chaplains in the U. S. regular army.

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In January of this year Questionnaires were sent out to all the churches in our denomination seeking information as to the part played by the Reformed Church in America in the great war for righteousness and humanity. One hundred and fifteen reports were returned, showing that from these churches 2,495 men had entered the army and 264 the navy, a total of 2,759, an average of twenty-four men per congregation. The Commission deeply regrets its inability to give the figures for the whole church. There are eighty gold stars on the service flags of the churches reporting.

Of the monies received (\$7,270.00), the Commission gave \$3,000.00 toward the erection of the Interchurch Chapel at Camp Upton. The expense of the work carried on in the Soldiers Club at Dumont, N. J., which is at the gateway to Camp Merrit, the largest debarkation camp of the country, was \$2,500.00. The sum of \$350.00 was given toward the support of the work of the General War Time Commission and the Army and Navy Chaplaincy Office at Washington, D. C. In the purchase of equipment and supplies for the commissioned chaplains, and in the uniforming of the camp pastors and meeting their needs while in the various camps and hospitals the sum of \$620.00 was expended. Out of the monies raised from the Interchurch Emergency Campaign the sum of \$150.00 was contributed for Christian Relief in France and Belgium. The office expense for stationery and printing, etc., was \$100.00. A balance on hand of \$550.00 has been paid over to the Board of Domestic Missions to be used in the work which is being continued at the Dumont Soldiers Club.

The War Service Commission desires to hold in grateful remembrance the cordial and generous financial support given them at all times by the Board of Domestic Missions, without which aid the work we were doing must have been greatly crippled. The Commission had pledged itself to a great task, in common with all the

other denominations, to uphold the morale of the army and navy, and to support the camp pastors and chaplains and Red Cross workers who represented our church at home and abroad. Our greatest field naturally centered at Camp Merritt. And when the church as a whole did not come up to the aid of the Commission, it was the Board of Domestic Missions, particularly at this camp, that made it possible for the work to be carried on at that important place.

The War Service Commission of the Reformed Church in America, inasmuch as the purpose for which it was created having been fulfilled, now overtures General Synod for a dissolution of the organization, effective at once, the transfer of any work yet to be carried on to be made to the Board of Domestic Missions.

All of which is respectfully submitted to General Synod by the Commission.

WM. I. CHAMBERLAIN,

Chairman Executive Committee.

W. N. P. DAILEY,

Executive Secretary.

The War Service Commission cannot bring its activities to a close without placing on its records an expression of its sincere appreciation of the service of the Executive Secretary, Rev. W. N. P. Dailey, who by means of a constant and extensive correspondence has gathered valuable information and communicated it, and has carried out the conclusions and spirit of the Commission in a manner to make us all grateful to him. In the midst of important Church duties he has thus rendered a voluntary service of much value to the Commission and to the Denomination which it has represented in this National Service.

WM. I. CHAMBERLAIN,

Chairman.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ENGLISH PREACHING AT THE HAGUE.

The Committee on English Preaching at the Hague (Netherlands) respectfully reports that in view of the still unsettled conditions in Europe, and especially because of the delay in the resumption of tourist travel on the Continent, the Committee has not deemed it wise to take any steps towards the resumption of these services during the coming summer.

It emphasizes, however, its belief that religious services adapted to the convictions and customs of American travelers and residents in European countries will be even more valuable and essential hereafter than ever before, and it is hoped and expected that by the summer of 1920 conditions will permit the resumption of such ser-

vices as were formerly held under the direction and patronage of our Church.

ALFRED DEW. MASON,
Chairman.

New York, June 2, 1919.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATION AND BIBLE
SCHOOL WORK TO THE GENERAL SYNOD OF THE
REFORMED CHURCH IN AMERICA.

Your Committee on Publication and Bible School Work respectfully reports.

There have been referred to us:

1. The 65th Annual Report of the Board of Publication and Bible School Work.

2. The 2nd Annual Report of the War Service Commission of the Reformed Church in America.

3. The Report of the Committee on the English services at the Hague, Netherlands. This report says that on account of the unsettled conditions in Europe, no action has been taken about resuming these services, but the hope is expressed that such action may be demanded in 1920.

4. The Committee on the Zwingli Publications report that two volumes have been published, and that the third and fourth volumes are being prepared for publication. It is also credited to our Church that its full quota of cost for these publications has been paid.

The War Service Commission, developed from the Committee on Evangelism of the Board of Publication, and it has nobly filled its place in the War Service of our loyal and devoted Church. It collaborated with the General Wartime Commission of all the Churches. Now that the war is over, the Commission overtures the General Synod for its dissolution, and should any work remain, it is to be commended to the Board of Domestic Missions. We recommend that this dissolution be made. As a matter of record we may now sum up the work of the Commission and give as far as possible the honor roll of our Army and Navy Chaplains, Y. M. C. A. Secretaries, and Red Cross workers. The Commission has passed upon and commended and sustained these, our representatives in the great war, and also has sought from the Churches a record of their service flags.

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The receipts of the Commission from the contributions of our Churches have been \$7,270.00. Of this amount all has been expended on the work with the exception of the balance on hand, \$550.00, which they request should be paid to the Board of Domestic Missions. We recommend this action be directed.

The Commission also expresses its appreciation of the work of its Executive Secretary, Rev. W. N. P. Dailey, whose great and purely voluntary service has been invaluable to the Commission.

Turning now to the report of the Board of Publication and Bible School Work; we note the hopeful and enthusiastic tone of the report. There has been much work done. Many hard propositions have been faced hopefully and courageously, and the year's work offers a basis for wise future plans and efforts. From many features and suggestions we select four:

1. The Christian Intelligencer, now the property of the Board,

has secured 1,928 new subscriptions during the year. This important branch of the work has also received from Mrs. Ralph W. Voorhees the gift of \$5,000. So the paper has drawn from the funds of the Board only \$1,297 for the year. The value of a Church paper in quickening an intelligent interest in all parts of the Church and in all the work of the Church cannot be over-estimated. The example of Mrs. Voorheese should stimulate others to make more powerful this organ of our denominational life. The new subscribers should stimulate all the members of our various churches to subscribe also in order to come in touch with the feelings, purposes, and efforts of our whole denomination. We are all to work together for the enriching and ennobling of our Church life in its effort to glorify our Lord.

We offer the following resolution: The General Synod recommends that the members of the Consistories of our churches become subscribers to the Christian Intelligencer, and also endeavor to secure a larger number of subscribers in each Church.

Our Church is rich in having two ably conducted papers. The second is owned by Hope College,—The Leader—and is specially directed to the life and work of the Western portion of our Church. It has a large circulation in the West and comparatively a small circulation in the East. We wish it would increase its circulation in the East, as we desire the increase of the circulation of the Intelligencer in the Western branch. Local interests would thus interest all portions, and would blend and combine in the interest of the whole. We recommend this high ideal of both papers and to both portions of our Church. The time may come when the aeroplane delivers the mail more rapidly, when there will be no East and no West, and when the two papers may be combined in one.

Our Church has another paper that is worthy of our commendation. It is the *Mit Arbiter* published by a classis, for the some 50 of our churches speaking the German language.

2. The financial business and condition of the Board is bright. It has received an increase of 25 per cent. in Church and general contributions, a total of \$4,997. Its total sales for the year have been \$51,057, an increase of \$4,089.

In accord with the Five Year Progress Campaign, the Board submits a budget which calls for a doubling of the contributions of the Churches in the next five years.

The Board has secured an efficient business agent of wide experience in the book trade, and is well able to supply all the books of our own and other publishers of all kinds, especially those needed in Bible School work. We offer the following resolution:

The General Synod recommends that her ministers and her people and especially her Bible Schools purchase their books from

our Board of Publication as far as possible. The General Synod approves the Five Year Budget of the Board and urges each Church to take a yearly collection for the Board in growing amounts.

3. The educational work of the Board has been conducted in Bible School and Young People societies on large and tested lines. There has been a constant and earnest endeavor to lift higher the standard and efficiency of Christian Education.

The Educational Secretary, Mr. Abram Duryee, has been granted a three months leave of absence from March, to become a member of the American Committee in the Near East, and is now in Syria. Beside the good work he is now doing he will come back greatly enriched for his work in our educational department.

There are many recommendations made by the Board for training classes, graded schools and evangelism in the schools. The three periods of human development: childhood, from infancy to 6 or 8 years; youth, to 14 or 16 years of age, and adolescence, on to maturity; there are according to God's laws of growth; and wise teachers should work with God, should teach childhood to observe keenly, youth to reflect carefully, and adolescence to choose wisely. The trained teacher, the graded school, and the loving evangelism in adolescence should, with God's favoring Holy Spirit bring the great number of our Bible School scholars to acknowledge Christ as their Savior. Then all the adult Bible Classes and Young People's Societies would train them in the life of intelligent and true hearted service of Christ.

We recommend the following resolution:

The General Synod commends the educational methods of the Board to the adoption of our Bible Schools, securing trained teachers, graded schools, and aiming to an intelligent and active membership in the Church.

4. The Report of the Committee on Evangelism to the Board seeks to enlist the entire membership of the Church in the effort of doubling the membership of the Church in five years. Each preacher is to preach many evangelistic sermons, to proclaim Christ as the only Savior, and to urge souls to trust Him as their Savior. So should the officers of the Church, the elders and the deacons, seek to win souls to Christ, and not only the officers of the Church but every member of the Church should preach Christ by word and life, by all personal influence,—personal work with persons for a personal Savior,—surely the General Synod will commend and approve this heartily.

It should be gratefully acknowledged by the Synod that Mr. Andrew Peck, for many years an active member of the Board, has made a bequest to the Board of \$5,000, payable at the rate of \$1,000 a year.

We recommend that the following, whose term of office expires, be elected members of the Board:

<i>Ministers.</i>	<i>Elders.</i>
Rev. F. S. Wilson,	Mr. J. F. Chambers,
Rev. I. W. Gowen,	Mr. E. H. Snyder,
Rev. M. S. Purdy,	Mr. A. J. DeVoe,
Rev. L. Boave,	Mr. John DeMott,
Rev. G. D. Hulst.	Mr. A. S. Miller.

We recommend that Dr. John E. Kuizenga be elected to fill the unexpired term of two years, occasioned by the resignation of Mr. R. H. Robinson.

All of which is respectfully submitted by your Committee.

F. S. SCHENCK, <i>Chairman</i> ,	J. M. KYLE,
J. F. HEEMSTRA,	N. S. TAYLOR,
M. S. PURDY,	W. BLENIS,
PROF. HARTMAN,	A. VAN AMEELE,
J. A. DEBOER,	F. HUISMAN,
F. S. WILSON,	A. H. STORMS.
C. G. MALLERY,	

Pending the adoption of the Report Rev. I. W. Gowen, Rev. W. P. Bruce and Rev. E. J. Blekkink addressed Synod.

The Report was adopted.

Rev. I. W. Gowen reported extemporaneously for the Committee to increase the subscriptions for The Christian Intelligencer.

The Report was accepted, and the Committee discharged.

ARTICLE XI.

WIDOWS' FUND.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON WIDOWS' FUND.

The Committee on the Widows' Fund submits the following report.

Your Committee has examined the financial statement of the Board of Direction relating to the Widows' Fund Account.

Comparing the figures of contributions to this fund with last year's report we find that churches this year gave \$118.18 less than last year. Gifts from individuals were \$39.87 less than last year.

Payments by the churches for the benefit of their pastors were \$258.66 more, and ministers paid \$31.70 more than last year.

From the statement of the condition of the Widows' Fund as given by Chas. F. McWhorter & Co. certified accountants, we quote: "We would call attention to the fact that during the year ended April

30th, 1919, the proportion of net earnings credited to the Widows' Fund Income amounted to \$5,744.83 which together with the contributions by churches and individuals amounting to \$11,375.66 make a total of \$17,120.49 from which payments have been made amounting to \$16,868.81.

It will therefore be seen that there is a constant and heavy call upon the income from these invested funds and if the good work of the past is to be continued or enlarged upon it would appear to us as important that your representatives to the General Synod earnestly urge the representatives of the churches that, if possible, they increase the amount of their former contributions."

These are the remarks of the public accountants.

Your Committee is convinced that it is altogether possible for the churches to increase their gifts to this Fund. That there is no indifference on the part of the Synod's representatives in reference to the support of aged or disabled ministers, and of widows and orphans of servants of God who fell by the way, has already been grandly demonstrated by the initial generous subscription to the one million dollar fund.

The Reformed Church ought not to forget the helpless and dependent among her ministers or their families. She helped care for the widows and orphans of Belgium and France; she ought not to neglect her own.

Resolved, That while steps are being taken to secure a million dollar fund in the near future the churches be urged to continue their contributions for the support of the existing Widows' Fund. The source of supply should not be permitted to lack funds for present needs.

Resolved, That offered legacies to this fund such as came from R. Dwight Clark last year and from others in the past, be gratefully received and applied to this cause.

Resolved, That a detailed account of expenditures be hereafter given in the annual Report of the Board of Direction.

Resolved, That Synod express its hearty appreciation of the efficient services rendered by all engaged in caring for these Funds.

J. P. DEJONG,
HENRY D. COOK,
GERRIT BOSCH,
C. VANDER SCHOOR,
WALTER E. DURYEA,
M. EUGENE CLARK,
ADDISON C. BIRD,
J. R. VANDERBECK,
CHAS. RUSTON,
WILLIAM MAGER.

The Report was adopted.

ARTICLE XII.

DISABLED MINISTERS' FUND.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DISABLED MINISTERS' FUND.

There have been placed in our hands Minutes of General Synod for last year, the Treasurer's Report for the last fiscal year and an Overture from the Particular Synod of Chicago, as follows:

"As to the annuities paid by the Disabled Ministers' Fund, we must admit that the purchasing power of money has greatly diminished in the last years. We therefore recommend to endorse the memorial of the Classis of Grand River and hereby overture General Synod to raise the limit of its annuity to beneficiaries from \$200 to \$500."

Not having in hand the Treasurer's Report of this Fund for the last fiscal year, early in the session, your Committee called in consultation the President of the Board of Direction, and the field Secretary of the Board of Domestic Missions. We learn that the 84 beneficiaries of last year have been increased to over 90; 23 of these are ministers, and the rest widows; that the present income of this Fund, about \$20,000, will barely allow the present allowances, the maximum being \$200. This is inadequate for the needs of beneficiaries.

At the same time we learn that the Particular Synod of Chicago has taken measures to greatly increase its gift to this Fund. Last year the gifts within that Synod were about \$3,600; a goal of \$15,000 has been set for this year, and plans are carefully drawn to procure the same. Your Committee would commend the Particular Synod of Chicago for the forward step taken and urge that similar steps be taken in the other Particular Synods. Since these Synods have no meeting until next Spring, we offer the following resolution:

1. Resolved, That Rev. Jos. R. Duryea, D. D., and Rev. Seth Van der Werf, be a Special Committee to prepare one or more leaflets suitable for widespread circulation throughout the Denomination, setting forth concretely the urgent need. That said Committee also be asked to send the literature to the Agent of this Fund in each Classis, with a suggested goal for each Classis to strive to secure.

2. Resolved, That the Agent for this Fund in each Classis be urged to get the claim of this Fund before all the churches, with a call for increased contributions.

3. Resolved, That the maximum annuity be raised from \$200 to \$400, and that all the Classes be directed to carefully investigate

each application, and recommend for only so much as seems positively needed; that the Board of Direction then grant to the ministers on the Fund the full amount asked if the funds permit, and if the funds do not permit the full amount, such proposition as the increased contributions will permit.

Should the increased contributions more than supply the sums asked by the ministers, that the surplus be divided among the widows on the Fund, according to their needs.

4. Resolved, That we express to Dr. Dennis Wortman our appreciation of his earnest efforts in behalf of this Fund for so many years, and extend to him our sympathy in the weakness due to the infirmity of years.

Respectfully submitted,

EDGAR TILTON, JR., *Chairman*,
WM. A. DUMONT,
THOMAS POWELL VERNOLL,
A. K. GOODRICH,
HENRY BLOCK,
G. TEN HAKEN,
JOHN H. KREGEL,
JOHN BLACK.

The Report was adopted.

The Report of the Committee and the Commission on Ministerial Pensions was read by the chairman of the Committee. It is as follows:

REPORT TO THE GENERAL SYNOD OF THE COMMISSION ON MINISTERIAL PENSIONS JUNE 5, 1919.

There is presented herewith the Report of the Committee of Three, the Rev. C. P. Case, the Rev. J. E. Lyall, and Mr. John W. Mettler, as appointed by the last General Synod, and also the Report of the Commission gathered by that Committee. To bring the matter clearly before the present Synod, the Resolution passed at the last General Synod (see Minutes 1918, Pages 469-470) is given as follows:

"Resolved, That this Synod appoint a Committee of Three, who shall constitute a nucleus of the proposed Commission, with power to add to their number and fill vacancies."

"Resolved, That upon the men so appointed shall be laid the ob-

ligation to begin at once to secure and tabulate all the pertinent facts needed for intelligent and efficient action, and then to launch an educational campaign, and proceed, at the earliest possible date, to provide an adequate pension system for the Ministers of the Reformed Church in America, and their widows and infant children.

"Resolved, That Synod now arrange to secure an adequate sum of money (not less than 10,000) to be used only so far as necessary to meet the expenses of the Commission.

"Resolved, That Rev. C. P. Case, Rev. J. E. Lyall, and Mr. John W. Mettler be appointed as members of this Commission."

A subsequent resolution provided that \$500 be furnished for the expense account of the Committee by the Board of Direction.

The following comments are made upon the Resolutions of Synod:

First, that there is no line of demarcation between the Committee of Three and the Commission. Evidently the Synod intended the Committee to evolve into the Commission.

Second, it should be noted that the power given by the Synod is a very wide and comprehensive one, including the following clauses:

Secure facts—

Launch an educational campaign—

Provide an adequate Pension System.

Third, again it should be noted that no action was taken by the General Synod to secure the \$10,000 for a working budget, which the Resolution calls for.

It should be stated at once that the accomplishment of the year has practically but begun the task outlined by the General Synod. In the first place, the Committee at once discovered last Fall that it was practically impossible to secure responsible business men to act upon the Commission. The War, with all of its activities, and especially the selling of Liberty Bonds, very properly absorbed the time and thought of all earnest men. There followed also the epidemic of influenza, which halted the work for six weeks longer, and it was not until well along in the Winter that the first members of the Commission were obtained. From that time on, the Chairman of the Committee gave as much time as could be spared from his pastoral duties, making some 15 trips to New York and the northern part of New Jersey, and finally one to Central New York and Michigan.

From the start the Committee set a high ideal as to the type of men to compose the Commission, and the Secretary, on his own authority, takes the privilege of stating his belief that the membership as finally obtained comprises some of the most able business men

and farseeing leaders of our denomination. With the organization of the Commission, the existence of the original Committee virtually ceased. Its activity, however, included one other feature. To save the time of the Commission when organized, the Committee prepared and issued a Questionnaire, providing for all the essential data of our ministers, needed for pension computations. Copies were sent out to our entire Ministry, to the number of 785; about 475 have been returned, filled out, being about 61 per cent.

The history of the Commission begins with the meeting held on the evening of April 23rd, 1919, at the University Club, New York. There were present thirteen members from the Eastern section of the Church and two guests. This meeting was given in the form of a dinner by Mr. John W. Mettler. An address was made by Mr. Monell Sayre, Secretary of the Church Pension Fund of the Episcopal Church. At this meeting an organization was formed and officers elected as follows: As President, Rev. Thos. H. Mackenzie, D. D.; Secretary, Rev. Clifford P. Case; Treasurer, Mr. John W. Mettler.

A second meeting of the Commission was held on the morning of June 5th in the Metropolitan Hotel, Asbury Park, N. J., with fourteen members present. On this occasion, Rev. Chas. S. Mills, D. D., President of the Pilgrim Memorial Fund, addressed the Commission, explaining the features of the new Congregational Pension Fund for Ministers.

The Commission would lay before the Synod the following facts:

First, that nothing has been done regarding the Budget for Expenses of \$10,000, and asks the co-operation of the present Synod in raising this sum, without which the work cannot be carried on.

Second, the Commission would explain that the coming year will be one of investigation and comparative study of the entire pension question. It holds out the hope of presenting to the Synod of 1920 a completed plan for adoption.

Third, the Commission has taken no action regarding the existing Ministerial Funds and that matter is left for future decision.

Fourth, emphasis should be laid upon the absolute necessity of securing all the Questionnaires, properly filled out. The Episcopal Pension Fund, before beginning to plan for their system, secured 98 per cent. of their Questionnaires as a basis of proper judgment.

Finally, the Commission makes the following recommendations:

First, that the original Committee be discharged, the wording of Synod Resolution of last year, as before stated does not clearly discriminate between the Committee and the Commission, but it seems advisable that the original Committee should be discharged.

Second, that the Commission on Ministerial Pensions, composed

as follows, be approved, with authority to complete and change its membership to raise and expend a budget for expenses, and such other power as was granted last year to the Committee.

THE COMMISSION MEMBERSHIP.

President, Rev. Thos. H. Mackenzie, D. D.
 Secretary and Temporary Treasurer, Rev. Clifford P. Case, D.D.
 Rev. Malcolm J. MacLeod, D. D.
 Rev. Edgar Tilton, Jr., D. D.
 Rev. Edward G. W. Meury, D. D.
 Rev. Joseph R. Duryee, D. D.
 Rev. John Edward Lyall.
 Rev. James S. Kittell, D. D.
 Rev. John E. Kuizenga, D. D.
 Rev. John Lamar.
 Rev. Frederick Lubbers.
 Mr. George Tiffany, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Mr. Frederick Frelinghuysen, Newark, N. J.
 Mr. William M. Johnson, Hackensack, N. J.
 Mr. Charles W. Osborne, Englewood, N. J.
 Mr. John W. Mettler, East Millstone, N. J.
 Mr. William T. Demarest, New York, N. Y.
 Mr. William G. Gaston, New York, N. Y.
 Dr. George B. Phelps, New York, N. Y.
 Mr. A. Page Smith, Albany, N. Y.
 Mr. Frederick H. Ebling, Syracuse, N. Y.
 Mr. Henry E. Langeland, Muskegon, Mich.
 Mr. Herman Teninga, Chicago, Ill.

Respectfully submitted,

T. H. MACKENZIE, *President*.
 CLIFFORD P. CASE, *Secretary*.

The Report was adopted.

After the adoption of this Report the Rev. T. H. Mackenzie, President of the Commission, spoke briefly, laying emphasis upon raising a fund of \$10,000 for the expenses of the Commission.

A motion prevailed that five minutes be allowed in an effort to raise this fund from the floor of Synod. Subscriptions were called for with the result that \$10,225 was subscribed.

ARTICLE XIII.

OVERTURES.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON OVERTURES.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America.

Your Committee on Overtures would report.

They have received the following communications:

I. A communication from the Particular Synod of Chicago in reference to an organization of a new Particular Synod west of the Mississippi River.

II. An overture from the Classis of North Long Island, in reference to the desirability of abolishing the Particular Synods.

III. The action of Classes on Constitutional Amendments.

I. The Particular Synod of Chicago submits its overture with endorsements from the six Classes especially concerned—Classes of East Sioux, West Sioux, Germania, Pella, Dakota, Pleasant Prairie. In this the Classis of Cascades will also be included.

For the reasons above stated, in which all parties directly concerned agree, your Committee recommends that this petition be granted, and that the proper Constitutional steps be taken to execute the same. (See Article 9, Section 107, of the Constitution).

II. In regard to the Overture from the North Classis of Long Island, asking General Synod to consider the desirability of abolishing the Particular Synods, and if it meet with approval, recommend such action to the Classes, your Committee recommend that the overture be not granted. They fail to see that this action is desirable.

(1) The Particular Synod as an organization, is eminently suited to quicken and further the larger enterprises now being submitted to the Churches. Matters of information and inspiration and world-wide power in foreign missions, and unnumbered opportunities in the home field for expansion and development, show that this department of the Church machinery can be made more useful than hitherto.

(2) In view of the repeated recurrence of this question as an indication of a feeling that the Particular Synods are not functioning as judicatories of such significance, should, your Committee would express its conviction of their importance to the interests of the denomination as necessary appellate courts, and as most convenient authorities for the supervision of classical activities in the several sections of the Reformed Church, and for the promotion of denominational progress and extension. It seems to the Committee that their place in our order is of such nature as to call not for abolition but for vitalization.

III. As to the action of Classes on Constitutional Amendments—There have been referred to the Committee the reports of the several Classes on the results of their action on the Amendments to Sections 21 and 113 of the Constitution, recommended to the Classes by the last General Synod.

The Amendment to Section 21 was approved by 31 Classes (disapproved by 6, 2 Classes taking no action).

The Amendment to Section 113 was approved by 37 Classes (disapproved by 1, 1 Classis taking no action).

Whereas the required two-thirds of the Classes have approved the Amendments, your Committee recommends that the General Synod declare the Amendment to Section 21 of the Constitution adopted, and that the Classical actions on the Amendment to sec. 113 be referred to the Committee on Board of Direction.

Respectfully submitted,

P. T. POCKMAN, *Chairman*,
E. B. VAN ARSDALE,
FREDERICK STOEENBER,
OLIVER M. FLETCHER,
BENJAMIN F. WHITE,
JOEL LOUCKS,
NICHOLAS BOER,
PETER MEINDERSMA,
AREND G. VAN ZOEREN,
L. C. BERGER,
J. D. FRIDERICI.

The Report was adopted, except that the Overture of section II was referred to the Permanent Committee on Revision of the Constitution.

Supplementary Report on arrangements for the organization of a new Particular Synod in the West was made as follows:

Committee to organize the Fifth Part. Synod—Place, Alton, Ia. Date, last week in August.

Rev. Gerard De Jonge, Rev. Henry J. Veldman, Rev. J. P. De Jong, Rev. T. E. Welmers, Rev. David McEwan, Rev. Geo. Schnucker; Elders, G. H. Wormhoudt, G. Ottens, J. Beltman, P. J. DeKruif, Henry Hoffs, R. Van Zyle.

These twelve men to constitute a quorum for the meeting to consider boundaries, etc., and order the organization.

When this Special meeting of the Part. Synod has found the way clear, there remain in the Com., and on the ground, a sufficient number to formally organize with a Constitutional quorum. (See Constitution, sec. 50, p. 18; sec. 97, p. 28).

This supplementary Report was adopted.

ARTICLE XIV.

SYNODICAL MINUTES AND REFERENCES.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SYNODICAL MINUTES AND REFERENCES.

The minutes of the General Synod of 1918 and the Particular Synods of Albany, New Brunswick, New York and Chicago have been placed in our hands.

These minutes have been carefully examined. No errors have been noted. Matters of record requiring the attention of General Synod, have been presented through the reports of other committees.

The review of the minutes reveal many grave problems within the bounds of each of the Synods, but a spirit of hopefulness prevails and the evidence of faithful work among the churches is gratifying.

Your Committee would recommend the printing of 1,400 copies of the Minutes of General Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

C. W. KINNEY,
CHAS. WALDRON,
HENRY D. FROST,
A. J. VAN HOUTEN,
C. J. FINGAR.

The Report was adopted.

ARTICLE XV.

JUDICIAL BUSINESS.

The following Overtures were referred to the Committee on Judicial Business.

OVERTURE FROM THE CLASSIS OF NORTH LONG ISLAND.

Whereas, the North Classis of Long Island has met with a number of very serious and practical difficulties in affecting the combination of two churches within its bounds, according to the power granted to them in section 85 of the Constitution, and

Whereas, the pastoral relation of one of the ministers of one of the churches was put in jeopardy by the failure of the civil law of the State and the Constitution to define or to determine his position and the duty of the classis under the circumstances, therefore be it

Resolved, That the North Classis of Long Island assembled in special session in the church building New York City on Monday, June 2, 1919, does hereby respectfully overture the General Synod, R. C. A., to amend the Constitution by adding to Section 85 the following and a similar paragraph:

"In approving combinations of churches the Classis shall follow carefully the provisions of the laws for the consolidation of religious corporations, of the various States, within whose bounds the churches exist, and the relation of pastor or pastors, if any, involved in the combination, shall be determined by the Classis."

CHARLES K. CLEARWATER,
Stated Clerk.

OVERTURE FROM THE PARTICULAR SYNOD OF CHICAGO.

To the General Synod R. C. A.

ARTICLE VII. REFERENCES AND APPEALS.

To your committee were referred a communication from the Classis of Cascades relative to certain modern heresies as Russellism, Christian Science, Mormonism, etc.

Your committee feels that our people should be informed, and especially the youth, as to doctrines and dangers of Russellism, Christian Science, Mormonism, etc., and considers it an opportune time to call attention to the danger of these "isms."

To attain these ends we recommend (a) that the Particular Synod forward the communications of the Classis of Cascades to General Synod; (b) that the Particular Synod hereby memorialize General Synod to urge our Church papers to emphasize in editorials and otherwise the dangers of these heresies by setting forth their anti-Biblical principles; (c) to urge upon pastors to speak at least once a year to their congregations upon the dangers of these heresies.

Adopted by the Particular Synod of Chicago, May 14, 1919.

P. MOERDYKE,
Stated Clerk.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE ON JUDICIAL BUSINESS.

The Committee on Judicial Business would respectfully report as follows: Two Overtures have been placed in our hands. One from the North Classis of Long Island asking Synod to amend the Constitution by adding to Sec. 85 the following or a similar paragraph—"In approving combinations of churches the churches shall follow carefully the provisions of the laws for the consolidation of religious corporations of the various States within whose bounds the churches exist, and the relation of pastor or pastors, if any involved in the combination shall be determined by the classis.") The Committee would offer the following resolution; that this Overture be referred to the Committee on Revision of the Constitution.

The 2nd Overture is from the Particular Synod of Chicago which is as follows.

An Overture relative to certain modern heresis as Russellism, Christian Science, Mormonism, etc., calling attention to these heresies and recommending that our Church papers emphasize in editorials and otherwise the dangers of these heresies by setting forth their anti-Biblical principles and urge pastors to speak at least once a year to their congregations upon the danger of these heresies. Your Committee offer the following: That our Church papers emphasize the danger of these heresies and urge upon pastors to speak to their people once a year upon the dangers of them.

The Committee also recommends the re-election of Mr. Frederick Frelinghuysen as a member of the Permanent Committee on Judicial Business for a term of five years.

For the Committee,

J. R. KYLE,
Chairman.

The Report was adopted.

ARTICLE XVI.

CORRESPONDENCE.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE
AND PROGRAM.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America.

The preliminary report of this Committee, which included the printed program of the General Synod, was made in the opening session of the Synod.

The Report now presented deals particularly with the documents and correspondence, and special matters referred to the Committee by this body. The credential was received for Rev. J. P. Searle, D. D., representing the Alliance of the Reformed Churches throughout the world, holding the Presbyterian System, and the Council of the Reformed Churches in America, holding the Presbyterian System. Rev. John Lamar, a member of the Synod, presented his credential from the Chicago Tract Society. Both of these brethren were heard with interest by the Synod.

The Synod was also addressed by Mr. Frank H. Mann, General Secretary of the American Bible Society; Rev. Judson Swift, D. D., General Secretary of the American Tract Society; Rev. Charles L. McFarland, D. D., General Secretary of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America; Pastor Adolf Keller, Delegate of the Reformed Churches of Switzerland, and representing the Swiss Federation of Protestant Churches; Dr. Henri Anet, representing the Belgian Christian Missionary Church and the Union of Evangelical Protestant Churches in Belgium; Rev. Harry L. Bowlby, D. D., General Secretary of the Lord's Day Alliance in the United States; Mr. Duncan J. McMillan, representing the New York Sabbath Committee; and Dr. J. Campbell White, Associate General Secretary of the Interchurch World Movement of North America. All these speakers were given a sympathetic hearing and assured by the President of our deep interest in the great work which they represent.

The request of Dr. Anet, that the Union of Protestant Evangelical Churches in Belgium be included among the bodies corresponding with the R. C. A., was referred to this Committee. In view of the close relation of the Church of Belgium with our own Church in its early history, the Committee recommends that the request be granted.

The Committee received a communication in Chinese accompanied by a certified copy of the translation, from the Christians in China, announcing the formation of a provisional assembly of the

Presbyterian Church in China. We congratulate them upon their progress in developing an efficient method of government, and express the hope that their objective will soon be reached, namely, the formation of a general assembly.

A message entitled "From World War to World Brotherhood" was received from the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America in special session at Cleveland, Ohio, May, 1919. We recommend the document to the churches.

There have also been placed in the hands of the Committee the minutes of the Council of the Reformed Churches in America holding the Presbyterian System, dated March, 1918, the minutes of the Executive Commission of the Western (American) section of the Alliance of the Reformed Churches holding the Presbyterian System, dated February, 1919, and the report of the Council of the Reformed Churches in America holding the Presbyterian System, dated March, 1919. Also the report for the year ending March 31, 1919, of the Executive Commission of the Alliance of the Reformed Churches throughout the world holding the Presbyterian System. In this report special mention is made of the lamented death of the General Secretary, Rev. Robert Dykes Shaw, D. D., in the midst of a useful career. The Synod has already ordered the preparation of a suitable resolution in reference to the valuable services of Dr. Shaw.

The Committee recommends the appropriation of the usual apportionments, viz., \$50 for the current expenses of the Council, and \$160 for the Alliance, when these apportionments are due.

The Committee recommends the re-election, for the term of two years, of the present members of the Council, whose terms expire in 1919, viz., Rev. T. H. Mackenzie, Rev. J. P. Searle, Rev. J. W. Beardslee, Sr., and Elder Berend Dosker.

Communications were received from Rev. W. H. Roberts, D. D., Stated Clerk of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., including a copy of the original action of the General Assembly, which met in Columbus, Ohio, May, 1918, on the subject of the organic union of the Evangelical Churches of the United States; an invitation was extended to our Church to have representatives attend a Conference on Organic Union, which was held at Philadelphia in December, 1918. Our Committee on Closer Relations with other Denominations, sent such a representative, who has already reported to the Synod. The report of the Committee on Business and Resolutions, which was unanimously adopted by the representatives of the 17 churches attending that Conference, has been examined and heartily approved by this Committee.

A communication was received from the United Committee on Christian Service for Relief in France and Belgium, together with

the report of a Joint Conference of American agencies on Christian Service in France and Belgium, in which conference we were represented by Dr. Chamberlain and Dr. Mackenzie.

The Committee has also received the Annual Report of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America for the year 1918. A mere glance at the table of contents show how broad and comprehensive the work of the Council is and how it is helping to co-ordinate Christian activities among the 32 constituent bodies composing it.

A communication has been received from the Commission on Relations with the Orient, which has been erected by the Federal Council, requesting the appointment of a special committee for co-operation with the Federal Council Commission on Relations with the Orient. The Committee recommends that our members in the Federal Council be empowered to appoint such a committee from their own number, if in their judgment it shall seem wise.

The Commission has issued an important pamphlet on the subject, the "Church and Social Reconstruction." It also requests the adoption of certain resolutions, regarding the League of Nations and kindred subjects, which have been adopted by the Federal Council. In view of the earlier ruling of the Synod regarding the League of Nations, and the uncertain status of certain questions involved, the Committee recommends that no action be taken.

The Synod records with regret the death of Elder George W. Pool, a member of the Committee on Closer Relations with Other Denominations, and also delegate to the Council of the Reformed Churches in America, holding the Presbyterian System. In accordance with the instruction given by the Synod to nominate a successor to Mr. Pool, the Committee recommends the election of Elder Louis Bevier, of New Brunswick.

A communication has been referred to this Committee from the General Synod of the State Reformed Church in the Netherlands, stating that the said Synod had considered the desirability of maintaining correspondence with the Reformed Church in America, which is a direct outgrowth of the Reformed Church in the Netherlands. "The Synod unanimously expressed the advisability of such correspondence, and decided to open it by volunteering the transmittal of the Official Publications of the Church, and requesting reciprocal action."

Inasmuch as we are unacquainted with the State Reformed Church of the Netherlands, the Committee recommends that action upon the communication be deferred.

The Committee recommends the appointment of the following corresponding delegates:

Presbyterian Church (North)—Rev. E. J. Blekkink, primarius; Rev. F. S. Wilson, alternate.

Presbyterian Church (South)—Rev. A. T. Broek, primarius; Rev. E. B. Van Arsdale, alternate.

United Presbyterian Church—Rev. J. M. Farrar, primarius; Rev. T. P. Vernoll, alternate.

Presbyterian Church (Canada)—Rev. Edgar Tilton, Jr., primarius; Rev. John Lamar, alternate.

Reformed Church of the U. S.—Rev. E. F. Romig, primarius; Rev. Henry Vruwink, alternate.

Christian Reformed Church in N. A.—Rev. A. DeYoung, primarius; Rev. N. Boer, alternate.

General Assembly of the Evangelical Church of Italy—Rev. I. W. Gowen, primarius; Rev. G. W. Carter, alternate.

Waldensian Church of Italy—Rev. Wm. B. Hill, primarius; Rev. F. B. Seeley, alternate.

National Protestant Church of Geneva—Rev. T. W. Muilenberg, primarius; Rev. B. F. Brinkman, alternate.

The Reformed Churches of the Netherlands—Rev. Jas. F. Zwemer, primarius; Rev. Wm. P. Bruce, alternate.

Church of Christ in Japan—Rev. H. J. Veldman, primarius; Rev. T. E. Welmers, alternate.

South India United Church—Rev. G. J. Hekhuis, primarius; Rev. W. L. Sahler, alternate.

Respectfully submitted,

JASPER S. HOGAN,
EVERT J. BLEKKINK,
GARRETT M. CONOVER,
HENRY LOCKWOOD,
GEORGE TIFFANY,

Committee.

REPORT OF DELEGATES TO FEDERAL COUNCIL.

General Synod of the Reformed Church in America:

As Chairman of the Delegation to the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, I would respectfully report that since the last meeting of the Synod there have been two important meetings of the Council, one at Atlantic City, in December, of the Executive Committee of the Council, at which the two members of the Executive Committee, Rev. A. T. Broek and myself, were in attendance. At this Executive Committee meeting, so important was the work that a special meeting of the whole Council was called in May, at Cleveland, Ohio, when the following members of the Council represented our Church: Your chairman, Rev. J. W. Brooks, Rev. J. H. Brandow, Rev. Albertus T. Broek. At this important meeting of the Council, our Church is represented on the Committee

of Thirteen on the Constitutional Changes proposed by the Committee of Fifteen of this Committee, by your chairman, as our representative.

I. W. GOWEN, *Chairman.*

The Report was accepted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLOSER RELATIONS.

The Committee on Closer Relations with Other Denominations presents the following report:

I.

There has been referred to your Committee, with instructions to report to the present Synod, "A Plan of Federal Union," submitted by the Council of the Reformed Churches in America holding the Presbyterian System, to its constituent judicatories, and requesting their endorsement of the same. This Plan of Federal Union is, in effect, a series of amendments to the "Articles of Agreement" already adopted by the several Constituent Judicatories, and is the Constitution or Organic Law of the above named Council. These Articles of Agreement constitute a loose federation of the Constituent Churches, and the intent of these amendments is to strengthen and develop the Federal Union already existing between them.

With this purpose, the Committee, and we are persuaded General Synod is in hearty sympathy, the Churches of the Reformed and Presbyterian family are, and ought to be, bound together by close fraternal ties, and while from considerations of efficiency we deem it desirable to preserve their separate denominational organizations, yet an ever increasing emphasis ought to be laid upon their intimate relationship.

The series of amendments above referred are printed in full in the Minutes of the General Synod of 1918, pages 484-488. They include a new Historical Statement, and a new Declaration of a Basis of Union, together with provisions for the enlargement of the Council, the increase of its efficiency, and for the organization of administrative agencies for the co-operative work of the Constituent Churches.

Your Committee after a careful study of this Plan of Federal Union are prepared to recommend its acceptance and adoption by General Synod, with the exception of Articles two, five and eleven. Article two provides for the doubling of the present representation of the Constituent Churches in the membership of the Council. While this may be desirable eventually yet it seems to your committee that this change should be deferred until, in its actual work-

ing, a larger membership in the Council shall be proved desirable for its efficiency.

Article five provides for the organization by the Council, of Boards or Administrative Agencies, to take over the work now administered by the Benevolent Boards of the Several Churches as denominationally organized, whenever the organization of such Boards or Administrative Agencies shall be consented to, by the supreme judicatories of the Constituent Churches. While your Committee agree that this is a logical development from the strengthening of the Union between the Constituent Churches and that it may, in many cases, result in the strengthening of the work thus administered, yet we are of the opinion that the initiative, should not be with the Council, but with the several Boards that are concerned. We would therefore recommend that this article be referred back to the Council, for recasting, so that the initiative in such movements should be secured to the existing Boards of the Several Churches.

Article eleven, provides a form of organization for the Boards or Administrative Agencies proposed in Article five. It seems to your Committee of doubtful expediency to, at this time, impose specific stipulations, as to the precise manner, in which the proposed Boards or Administrative Agencies shall be organized, and that questions as to the Composition of the Board, Manner of Election, etc., may be left more safely for determination in each particular case, by conference between the Boards of the Constituent Churches, the interests of whose work is involved.

We therefore offer for adoption the following resolutions:

1. That General Synod ratifies and adopts for the Reformed Church in America, the Series of Amendments to the Articles of Agreement of the Council of the Reformed Churches in America holding the Presbyterian System, submitted to them by that Council, and designated as a Plan of Federal Union, with the exception of Articles two, five and eleven.

2. That General Synod defers action upon Article two, dealing with the basis of representation in the Council.

3. That General Synod refers Article five back to the Council, with the suggestion that it be recast in such a way as to reserve to the Boards of the Constituent Church, the Initiative, in the organization of the proposed Boards or Administrative Agencies.

4. That General Synod rejects Article eleven, believing that the composition of the proposed Boards or Administrative Agencies may well be left to be determined according to the exigencies of each particular case.

II.

Your Committee was visited by a Representative of the Committee on Closer Relations of the Presbyterian Church in the United States who brought to our attention an "Outline of the Plan for Federal Union," adopted by a joint committee of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. and the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., and which contemplates an invitation to all the Reformed and Presbyterian Churches of our country to join in the proposed Federal Union.

Your Committee carefully examined this proposed plan, and compared it with the Plan of Federal Union proposed by the Council of the Reformed Churches in America holding the Presbyterian System. It found a marked similarity in the two plans, and could discover no radical or irreconcilable differences between them. There are certain features of the "Outline of the Plan for Federal Union" mentioned above, which impress your Committee as improvements. In other particulars we prefer the Council's Plan of Federal Union. This latter was also the manifest advantage of strengthening and developing an existing institution, whilst the other would seem to involve disregarding what has already been done and starting afresh. It seems to your Committee that the two plans might well be combined on the basis of further Amendments to the Council's Plan of Federal Union. We therefore offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That General Synod calls the attention of the Council of Reformed Churches in America holding the Presbyterian System, to the "Outline of the Plan for Federal Union," prepared by a Joint Committee of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. and the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., expressing the opinion that it contains many admirable features, and suggesting to the Council that those features might be incorporated in the Plan of Union under which the Council is acting.

III.

Your Committee received an invitation to be represented at a Conference on "Organic Union among all Evangelical Churches" to be held in Philadelphia Dec. 4-6, 1918, under the invitation of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.

A similar invitation addressed to the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America during its session in 1918, was declined, on the ground that General Synod was not ready to take steps looking to the immediate union of all evangelical Churches (Minutes of Synod 1918, page 478). Your Committee therefore felt that under this action it was precluded from the appointment of official delegates to the proposed Conference. Since however General Synod

in the same action above referred to, recorded its conviction that there cannot be too earnest co-operation between the Evangelical Churches, while aiming at the evangelization of our Country and the world, your Committee felt that this desire for co-operation should be evidenced by the unofficial attendance of a representative of the Committee at the Conference. Accordingly the Chairman of the Committee was requested to attend, unofficially, and was recognized by the Conference in that capacity.

The Conference was an interesting and helpful one, and in the opinion of our delegate, demonstrated to the satisfaction of a large majority of the Conference, that Organic Union in the sense of the consolidation of the several Churches was not, even if desirable, a present possibility. This was evidenced by the fact that the Conference in arranging for a subsequent meeting, and in the appointment of a Committee to make arrangements for such meeting, specifically instructed them "not to exclude from their consideration, Federal Union, as one of the methods by which an Organic Union might be brought about." The Conference arranged for the appointment of an ad interim Committee composed of one representative from each Denomination officially represented in the Conference, and extended an invitation to all other evangelical denominations not there represented to name a representative upon this ad interim Committee. This action was reported by its Chairman to your Committee, and it was the opinion of the Committee that the action of the Conference in specifically including Federal Union in the field of its consideration, materially altered the condition from those under which the last General Synod took its action, and that it is now desirable to accept the invitation to representation on the ad interim Committee on Organic Unity.

In view of the above we offer the following Resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Closer Relations be authorized to appoint a Representative of the Reformed Church in America upon the ad interim Committee on Organic Union of Evangelical Churches, and that such delegate be directed to advocate as the proper line of advance for said ad interim Committee and any resulting Conference or Council, the increasing of the efficiency of the existing Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America.

IV.

Your Committee regrets to report the death since the last meeting of General Synod of Elder G. W. Pool, who has rendered faithful and efficient service, both as a member of this Committee, and as one of General Synod's delegates to the Council of Reformed

Churches in America holding the Presbyterian System. Provision should be made by General Synod for the choice of his successor.

Respectfully submitted,

T. H. MACKENZIE, *Chairman*,
J. PRESTON SEARLE,
J. W. BEARDSLEE,
B. DOSKER,
J. ADDISON JONES,
H. J. VELDMAN,
W. I. CHAMBERLAIN,
GEORGE TIFFANY.

The Report was adopted.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CLOSER RELATIONS.

Section 1.—There has been referred to your Committee an overture from the Classis of Philadelphia, requesting General Synod to appoint four delegates, in response to an invitation from the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States to a Conference of Delegates from other Evangelical Churches on the subject of organic union.

As the Conference to which the overture manifestly refers has already been held, in Philadelphia, Dec. 4-5, 1918, it would appear impossible for this General Synod to comply with the request of the Classis of Philadelphia.

In response to an invitation from the above-named Conference, Synod has already authorized the appointment of a representative on the Ad Interim Committee, created by that Conference. This will perhaps meet the end sought by the overture.

Section 2.—There has also been referred to your Committee a communication from the Rev. W. H. Roberts, D. D., Stated Clerk of the Council of the Reformed Churches in America, holding the Presbyterian System, presenting his personal suggestion of an enabling act to be passed by General Synod for the organization of boards or administrative agencies of the Council, to carry out the requirements of Section 5 and 11 of the "Plan of Federal Union" submitted by the council to its several constituent judicatories.

As General Synod has declined at this time to ratify Sections 5 and 11 of the "Plan of Federal Union," no action upon the suggestion of Dr. Roberts seems to be called for.

Respectfully submitted for the Committee,

T. H. MACKENZIE, *Chairman*.

The supplementary Report was adopted.

ARTICLE XVII.

BENEVOLENT SOCIETIES.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BENEVOLENT SOCIETIES.

Your Committee on Benevolent Societies would report that the following communications have been submitted to it:

First: Report of the Committee on Public Morals.

Second: A letter and two booklets from the American Tract Society.

Third: An address of the Rev. Judson Swift, D. D., General Secretary of the American Tract Society.

Fourth: A pamphlet of the Chicago Tract Society and an address by its representative, the Rev. John Lamar.

Fifth: An address by Mr. Frank H. Mann, General Secretary of the American Bible Society.

Sixth: The addresses of the Rev. H. L. Bowley, D. D., General Secretary of the Lord's Day Alliance of the U. S. and Mr. Duncan J. McMillan, representing the New York Sabbath Committee.

PUBLIC MORALS.

The report of the Committee on Public Morals has been read by the Chairman of this Committee, and adopted by the Synod. (See Article XXI, Public Morals.)

LORD'S DAY ALLIANCE.

Having heard with great interest the addresses of the Rev. H. L. Bowley, D. D., and Mr. Duncan J. McMillan, regarding the strenuous fight being made to preserve to the Church, the home, and the Nation, our Lord's day of rest and worship, we would recommend the adoption of the following:

Resolved, That the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America commends to all our Churches, so far as practicable, the sending of Delegates to the 31st Annual Convention of the Lord's Day Alliance of the United States, to be held in Washington, D. C., December 11-14, 1919.

Resolved, That the General Synod commends the Lord's Day Alliance of the United States for launching a movement to secure a Federal Sunday Law to reinforce and safeguard the State Sunday Laws, and that we call upon our Churches to co-operate in this movement, and earnestly hope for the early realization of these most worthy projects.

Resolved, That in line with the general reconstruction of our life after the War, the General Synod affirms its strong and emphatic disapproval of all secular uses of the Lord's Day, all games and sports, all unnecessary traveling and excursions, and urges all employers of labor to recognize the need of the laboring man for his weekly day of rest and worship, and secures him in this right, thereby securing his larger efficiency and happiness.

THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY.

The clear and forceful address of Mr. Frank H. Mann, the Secretary of the American Bible Society, has brought to us anew the fact that the Bible is vital to all the life and work of our Churches, and to our home and foreign mission fields, and that the production of the word of God and the sending of it to the uttermost parts of the earth is a responsibility in which we should share a part.

Resolved, That the General Synod earnestly endorses the work and efforts of the American Bible Society and the New York Bible Society, and all kindred organizations, in giving to the whole world this precious Book.

THE AMERICAN TRACT SOCIETY.

Having heard the story of the widespread and fruitful work of the American Tract Society, from its general secretary, Rev. Judson Swift, D. D., we offer the following:

The Synod congratulates the American Tract Society upon its ninety-four years record. Its grand total of 802,797,875 pieces of publication in 178 languages and dialects is a stupendous record. The wide scope and nature of its work is shown in its activities beginning with the noble young officers of the U. S. Army as they graduate from West Point, to the poor emigrant—first stepping from these shores. The War records of the American Tract Society beginning with the Civil War and passing through the World War are evidences of a most comforting kind to our fellow men in times of great stress and danger.

The family visitation work carried on by the colporters of the Society is one which always appeals to the true pastor and calls for additional commendation from the Church of Christ. The Synod would further desire to acknowledge and commend the valuable services of the Secretary of the American Tract Society, the Rev. Judson Swift, together with the desire that his great usefulness may long be spared to one of the most worthy causes in the kingdom of God, and of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Resolved, That the General Synod reaffirms its former deliverances and commendations of the work of the American Tract Society, and urges that its world-wide service be given a larger place in the hearts and gifts of our people, and especially as to the needs of the hour, and earnestly requests Pastors and Consistories to give the Tract Society a place in their benevolent budget for an annual offering.

THE CHICAGO TRACT SOCIETY.

Concerning the Chicago Tract Society, which was represented on the floor of Synod by the Rev. John Lamar, and which not only ministers to the needs of that City, but to all the great States surrounding it. We would recommend the Churches in that section of the Synod to give their liberal support and patronage to it.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

C. P. DITMARS, *Chairman*,
JOSEPH D. PETERS,
HENRY T. JONES,
W. H. JACKSON,
M. A. KINGMAN,
J. J. LAMERSON,
HERMAN TENINGA,
ALBERTUS C. VAN RAALTE.

The Report was adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BIBLE CAUSE.

To the General Synod.

Your Committee on Bible Cause (Rev. E. J. Blekkink, D. D., Rev. J. P. Searle, D. D., Rev. W. P. Bruce, D. D., Frederick Frelinghuysen, and Eben E. Olcott), respectfully submits the following report:

There are three factors that are absolutely necessary for the progress of the kingdom of God on earth, the Word of God, the Church of God, and the Sabbath. The neglect of one of these seriously effects the other and, if continued in, must end in the downfall of all. It would be impossible to say which of the three is the most important, for, like the vital parts of the body, the one cannot live without the other. They are alike essential to spiritual life and growth.

The American Bible Society is an interdenominational organization which has for its sole object the publication of the Word of

God and its distribution at lowest cost. In connection with the British and Foreign Bible Society it has published over 435,000,000 volumes of Scripture in more than 500 different languages.

The American Bible Society has done a great work during the past year. Over 6,000,000 volumes of Scriptures were issued. One and a half million were circulated in Foreign Fields to meet the need of civilian populations. Approximately another million were issued to meet the needs of the civilian population of the United States. Scriptures have been distributed in 92 languages here in the United States, and in 66 languages abroad. 1,062 volumes were supplied in embossed type for the blind.

But the outstanding and absorbing work of the year was that of the supply of Scriptures for the soldiers and sailors of the United States. During the year over 3,000,000 volumes were supplied for the boys in khaki and navy blue. During the twenty months our country was at war the American Bible Society supplied 4,541,455 volumes for American forces. Since the beginning of the war it has supplied 1,846,488 volumes for the forces of Europe and other nations, making a known total of 6,387,943 volumes of Scriptures sent out by it to help in the healing of the nations.

For those who were in the military service of the United States and unable to read the English language, the Bible Society published at heavy expense a series of vest-pocket Testaments in Bohemian, French, Greek, Polish, Portuguese, Roumanian, Spanish, and Yiddish; and to meet a similar need in munition war camps Bibles in Bohemian, Bulgarian, Finnish, Greek, Hungarian, Lithuanian, Polish, Roumanian, Russian, and special editions of the Dutch Bible.

Besides producing the Bible and selling it at moderate cost, large numbers are given away annually to individuals and organizations. The largest single gift of Scriptures ever made, so far as records show, was the gift by the American Bible Society of 1,000,000 pocket Testaments to the Y. M. C. A. for distribution among the American soldiers and sailors. This was supplemented by a further gift of 100,000 Testaments, and financial co-operation in producing another million of Testaments, and selling at reduced prices over a million portions to the Y. M. C. A.

The work of the Society touches the Reformed Church in America everywhere. The great bulk of Bibles in pulpits and pews of the Reformed Churches have come from its presses. It supplies the Scriptures for the Kentucky mountaineers and the American Indians; for Italian missions in the East, and Holland immigrants in New Jersey, Michigan, and the further West. Our missionaries in Japan and China, India and Arabia, have been hampered this past year because the Scriptures were not available in the quantities needed for want of sufficient funds on the part of the Bible Society.

Your Committee is convinced that it is high time for the Reformed Church in America to get back of the American Bible Society, not with stronger resolutions (in this respect the church has never failed) but with a more systematic plan for financial support.

The Presbyterian Church, North, the Presbyterian, South, the Methodist, General and South, recognize the Bible Society as one of their denominational benevolences, and the churches are obliged to give an annual account as to the amount contributed for the Bible Cause.

The Synod of 1916 directed that a column be provided in classical and synodical blanks for the recording of contributions for the Bible Cause. So far this legislation has been imperfectly carried out and consequently has failed to accomplish the end in view.

Your Committee recommends the adoption of the following resolutions:

Whereas, the Bible is fundamentally necessary to the existence and spreading of Christianity; and its publication and circulation in generous quantities at moderate prices are essential; and

Whereas, the Reformed Church is not equipped to publish Scriptures on a scale adequate to meet even its own needs, and,

Whereas, the American Bible Society, organized in 1816 in the Garden Street Reformed Church, New York City, and carrying on this work for over a century as a non-denominational organization, depends for its support on the great Christian bodies of the country, and is placed among their official benevolences by some of the leading denominations, and

Whereas, the commendation which the General Synod has always given the American Bible Society has not produced a general response on the part of the Reformed Churches.

Resolved, That General Synod recognizes the work of the American Bible Society in producing and distributing the Word of God as essential to the life and development of the Kingdom, and therefore a work which should have the financial support of all the churches of the Reformed Church in America.

Resolved, That General Synod authorizes the Committee on the Progress Campaign to make some provision in the Progress Campaign budgets for this fundamental work.

Resolved, That the Reformed Church in America unite with other great Churches in emphasizing the importance of the Bible to the individual, the Church, the Nation and the World by the observance of a Bible Sunday in November, as suggested by the American Bible Society; and, to this end

Resolved, That General Synod designates the 3rd Sunday of the month for such observance; and calls upon the Churches to co-operate in making the day significant in the better appreciation, wider use, and larger distribution, of the Bible.

Resolved, That the Chairman of the Permanent Committee on Bible Cause, the Rev. E. J. Blekkink, D. D., be continued as the representative of the Reformed Church on the Advisory Council of the American Bible Society.

For the Committee,

E. J. BLEKKINK, *Chairman*.

The Report was adopted.

ARTICLE XVIII.

SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE.

The Report of the Permanent Committee on Systematic Beneficence was referred to the Standing Committee, and is as follows:

The Permanent Committee on Systematic Beneficence can report to the General Synod of 1919 no special activities in which it was independently concerned. The particular object of Systematic and Proportionate contributions to all denominational causes, has been included as one of the definite objects of the Reformed Church Progress Campaign, and during the past year the officers and members of the Committee have been co-operating with the Progress Campaign Committee, of which many of them are members.

It is gratifying, however, to be able to report that more and more of our churches are recognizing the advantages to be found in applying system to their beneficence. The Every Member Canvass, the Duplex Envelopes, and other methods to secure *regular* gifts for the church, have been adopted with unqualified success by a large number of the churches, and it is notable that in those churches which have been using the Every Member Canvass for several years, with a definite, well-organized canvass for subscriptions each year, there is being shown, year by year, a constant advance in the amounts contributed by the people for congregational expenses and denominational causes. In view of the abundant evidences of the efficacy of the Every Member Canvass, it is difficult to understand why there are yet many of our churches which cannot be persuaded to adopt this system.

It has been the custom for this Committee to present each year a Budget showing the financial needs of the Boards for the year to come. There is a marked change in the Budget this year, owing to the request made to the Boards by the Progress Campaign Com-

mittee that they survey their several fields of service and prepare budgets showing the amounts needed to meet opportunities now confronting the church. The following Budget, therefore, which is the same as that to be presented to this General Synod by the Progress Campaign Committee, represents not only the amounts needed by the several boards to maintain service already established, but to provide an extension of that service along lines which each board has been demonstrated by the study which each board has made of its field. The Progress Campaign Committee is to present these figures on a five year basis, but in order to conform to the plan followed in this report in previous years, the Budget here given is for the year 1919-1920, only, as follows:

Foreign Missions	\$517,800 00
Domestic Missions	497,290 00
Education	30,000 00
Publication and Bible School Work	18,000 00
Disabled Ministers Fund	25,000 00
Widows' Fund	15,000 00
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	\$1,103,090 00

Your Committee regrets that this year, as in former years, it is unable to include in the denominational Budget, the sums needed by the educational institutions of the church. It is manifest that these should be included in a Budget that aims to present the entire needs for denominational work; but there seems to this Committee to be no unity of action among the institutions themselves, several of them having financial agents on the field, appealing for funds with which to maintain their service, but without, so far as this Committee is informed, presenting any definite financial goals which could be included in a denominational Budget.

Your Committee suggests that this situation is one which should have the consideration of the General Synod; particularly as this is a time when, in the Reformed Church Progress Campaign the effort is being made to present a united budget to the Church, covering every phase of denominational activity, for a period of five years.

WM. I. CHAMBERLAIN, *Chairman.*

WM. T. DEMAREST, *Secretary.*

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE.

1. To your Committee was referred first an Overture from the Classis of Dakota requesting that "in the Annual Consistorial Report the column of 'inactive' be eliminated."

The reason why the overture is made is that "the multiplication of classification is to confuse the average consistory" and "also to weaken the necessity of dealing with members in the ways of discipline."

Your Committee fails to see the force of these contentions; and believes that since this column was but recently introduced that not sufficient time has elapsed for its usefulness or not to be proven, therefore

Resolved, That the overture be not granted.

To your Committee was also referred the report of the Permanent Committee on Systematic Beneficence of 1919.

The Committee reports that a larger number of Churches than ever before are adopting the every member canvass, the duplex-envelopes and other methods of securing regular gifts, and with gratifying success.

The Committee also lays before us the budget showing the financial needs of the Boards for the current year:

Foreign Missions	\$517,800 00
Domestic Missions	497,290 00
Education	30,000 00
Publication and Bible School Work.....	18,000 00
Disabled Ministers' Fund	25,000 00
Widows' Fund	15,000 00
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A total of	\$1,103,090 00

This sum is large, yet not too large for the Church to set as its goal for this year. It means almost \$15.00 per family or \$8.23 per member per year for these six great and closely related causes of the kingdom.

If only the Church of Christ would realize her stewardship, and learn to give proportionately as well as systematically, giving to the Lord week by week as He has prospered us, the treasury of our Lord would be full to overflowing.

Let us as ministers and elders seek to arouse and lead out our fellow christians also to this privilege and joy of fellowship with our Lord in consecrated stewardship.

Resolved, That the Synod, recognizing our stewardship, and the opportunity which this larger budget places before us, adopt this sum of \$1,103,090.00 as our goal for these six great causes this year, and that we pledge ourselves heartily for the attainment of this goal.

The fact that the needs of our educational institutions are not included in the budget is to be regretted. The reason is that there

is no unity of action among the institutions in the matter of raising finances.

Your Committee offers the following:

Resolved, That the attention of our educational institutions be called to this fact with the suggestion that they make an effort to get together so that, if possible, their needs may also be presented in the general budget.

GERRIT J. HEKHUIS, *Chairman*,
M. T. CONKLIN,
W. S. MYER,
WM. R. REARICK,
M. A. STEGEMAN,
L. POTGETER,
GERRIT OONK.

The Report was adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON "OTHER BENEVO- LENCES" STATISTICS.

No meeting of this Committee has been held during the year, for several reasons. The press of work during the period of the war has made it necessary to curtail outside activities, and the purpose of the Committee has seemed to the Chairman to be of such a character as to permit postponement until times are quieter.

The Chairman asks that he be relieved from membership on the Committee because, after long consideration, he sees so many difficulties in the way of obtaining the desired results that he believes it is impractical to carry it out. The matter is as follows:

A number of the interdenominational agencies, such as the American Bible Society, the American Tract Society, and the Lord's Day Alliance, would like to have their names placed on the Consistorial Blanks, under the heading of "Other Objects of Benevolence" with the further desire, implied or expressed, of having the amounts of the offerings in the several churches collated and reported to General Synod each year, and published in the Minutes. While there might be but little objection to the mere printing of the titles of the several agencies on the blanks, it is evident that the purpose of the request is to secure some sort of a summation which may be put before the Church at large and enable the Societies to show how much or how little support they obtained in any one year from the Reformed Church in America. The practical objection to this in the mind of the Chairman is that in order to collate the statistics would involve the creation of committees in every Classis and either

necessitate the appointment of some General Synod official, or else over-burden some one now appointed, to prepare the matter for presentation to General Synod. Special Classical blanks would have to be printed, and the Minutes of Synod would be increased by a considerable number of pages of figures. The annual expense for additional printing and paper would be considerable.

It should be further noted that the western churches have agencies in which they are interested, and if they also should request recognition the result would be confusing and unsatisfactory.

The Chairman believes that the various societies, if they desire to collate the gifts which came from the Reformed Church in America, should do it themselves, in their own reports. To request us to do it seems to place an unnecessary burden upon the men who are entrusted with the task of annually preparing church statistics.

It is therefore suggested by the Chairman:

1. That the Committee be discharged, or
2. That the Committee be continued and another Chairman be appointed.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES BOYD HUNTER.

The Report was received, and the Rev. Mr. Hunter requested to remain as chairman of the Committee.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED BY THE GENERAL SYNOD OF 1918 TO PREPARE CLASSICAL BLANKS FOR THIS YEAR.

Fathers* and Brethren:—The Committee which was appointed at the General Synod of 1918 to prepare the Consistorial Blanks for 1919 respectfully reports as follows:—

The Committee has carefully considered the suggestions that have been received from those interested in the perfecting of the blanks. It has seemed best to return to the old order of columns, in deference to what seems to be a reasonable criticism of the change which was made in the 1918 blanks. The "Inactive List" column has been continued, not as a finality, but as an experiment to discover, if possible, how far the need exists for a method of removing from the list of active members those persons whose lack of interest is manifested by continued absence and non-support.

It must be recognized that all removals to the Inactive and Absent Lists are simply temporary, and the Church needs some constitutional and easily worked authority whereby such lapsed members may be ultimately removed from the roll of Communicants. Under

our present usage, when members are removed from the Active List to the Inactive or Absent Lists there is no provision made for their final disposition, and consequently in some churches the number of persons classed as Inactive and Absent exceeds that on the active list, and as things are there seems to be no way to prevent an annual increase except by judicial process, which most pastors and consistories are unwilling to initiate.

It would seem that the matter is of sufficient importance to be brought to the attention of the Permanent Committee on Revision of the Constitution, with the request that it be considered and reported on at an early date.

Under the terms of the motion of 1918 the Committee was appointed to prepare blanks for this year only. We recommend that, provided the blanks are acceptable, the Board of Publication and Bible School Work be authorized and directed to prepare and issue them as now arranged until further action is taken by the General Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

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JAMES BOYD HUNTER.

The Report was adopted, and the Report referred to the Committee on revision of the Constitution.

TABULAR STATEMENT.

Of the offerings made during the year ending April 30, 1919, by the several churches to the (denominational) Boards and Funds recommended by the General Synod, each sum comprising the total amount received from each church, whether by church offering or otherwise, and including societies of all kinds, and schools. For further details, see Reports of the several Boards.

CLASSES.	Education.	Publication and Bible-school Work.	Foreign Missions.	Domestic Missions and Church Building Fund.	Disabled Ministers' Fund.	Widows' Fund.
CLASSIS OF ALBANY.						
First, Albany		\$54 60	\$1,782 50	\$1,001 25	\$100	\$50
Madison Ave., Albany	\$191 15		2,720 91	2,169 22	130	90 03
Third, Albany			117 10	75 00		
Fourth, Albany	10		110	160 95	10	20
Fifth, Albany	10	26 08	132 08	220	5	5
Sixth, Albany	11 75	12 77	149	149 95	12 75	10 25
First, Bethlehem	25	5	257	222 69	10	10
Second, Berne	2		6	13	2	
Clarksville	87	64	3 90	6 69	64	49
Coeymans		10 88	35 51	25 00		
Delmar	10 40	2 97	312 52	168 18	10 40	8 90
Jerusalem		3		5	5	
Knox	5 35	5	14	51	2	3
New Baltimore	6 41	5 10	80 73	35 38	4 15	
New Salem	1 71	1 01	24 86	10 30	1 01	83
Onesquethaw			22			
Union				2 69		
Westerloo	4	4	19 85	27 45	2 60	2 60
W. M. Union			71 71			
Cedar Hill				10		
Lake Katrine		4 09				
Totals	\$278 64	\$137 14	\$5,859 67	\$4,353 73	\$295 55	\$201 10
CLASSIS OF BERGEN.						
First, Hackensack	\$50	\$12 24	\$2,096 79	\$404 34	\$10	\$30
Schraalenburgh	11 87	31 01	107 59	192 71	12 57	16 06
English Neighborhood	8 72		17 44		8 72	
Second, Hackensack			329 75	322 84	107 16	
Third, Hackensack		4	8	18	3	
Closter	20	5	117 50	173 94	10	10
North Hackensack	10	10	74 78	89 79	4	4
Spring Valley			12	12		
Westwood	55 77	49 48	270 17	298 78	55 77	33 47
Oradell	20 30	16 25	266 33	237 92	26 80	28
Hasbrouck Heights	10	10 00	105	185	10	20
Highwood			5	42		
Rochelle Park			15	15		
Bogart Memorial	13 29		125 27	135 26	13 29	13 29
Harrington Park	6	20 86	89 50	80 05	10	20
Italian Hackensack			25	10		
W. M. Union			22 50			
Totals	\$205 95	\$158 84	\$3,687 62	\$2,217 63	\$271 31	\$174 82
SOUTH CLASSIS OF BERGEN.						
Bergen, Jersey City	\$108 98	\$77 20	\$861	\$630 97	\$40 87	\$20
First Bayonne	25	18 70	350 70	320 20	105	30
First, Van Voorst, Jersey City	2	2 64	281 20	73 58		30
Park, Jersey City			56	24		

CLASSES.	Education.	Publication and Bible-school Work.	Foreign Missions.	Domestic Missions and Church Disabled Minis-	Disabled Minis- ters' Fund.	Widows' Fund.
SOUTH CLASSIS OF BERGEN. (Continued).						
Fifth Street, Bayonne	52 62	42 89	596 48	425 64	38 92	40
Second, Hudson City, Jersey City	15 28		90 90	8 35	19 52	
Lafayette, Jersey City	50 42	37 61	470 98	438 27	45 26	45 26
Greenville, Jersey City	4 23		28 36	73 36	4 23	
Third, Bayonne	2	2	5	10	3	3
First German Ev., Jersey City	10			20	10	40
St. John's German, Jersey City						
Faith, Jersey City	33 64	16 82	231 20	231 21	16 83	
West Side, Jersey City						
W. M. Union			21 09			
Totals	\$304 17	\$197 86	\$2,992 91	\$2,255 58	\$283 63	\$208 26
CLASSIS OF THE CASCADES.						
Elk						
Seattle		\$1				
Hope						
Lynden	\$10	7 40	\$111 48	\$80 28	\$10 58	\$15 63
Manhattan			48 56	55		
Monarch			25	91 50		
Montana, First	2 14	4 29	29 56	58 26	3 55	20
New Holland				24 50		
North Yakima	15	5	232 56	178 25	27 50	2 50
Oak Harbor		5	140 66	218 39	11 05	
Hope, Big Timber		4 53		10 60		
San Francisco			25	108 13		
Portland				16 16		
Seattle, Wash.	1		20	61 25	1	1
Spokane				57		
Totals	\$28 14	\$27 22	\$632 82	\$959 32	\$53 68	\$39 13
CLASSIS OF CHICAGO.						
First, Chicago	\$100	\$10	\$625	\$374 15	\$25	\$40
Chicago, West Side	36 75	18 38	339 97	305 02	10	30
Danforth	10	4 02	90 60	69 93		
DeMotte		20 55	370 51	114 14	22 35	34 78
Ebenezer, Morrison		18 80	523 64	71 30	18 20	30 60
First, Englewood	14 25	5	361 45	273 30	16 70	16 65
First, Fulton	17 14	5 98	607 02	129 53	8 07	8 07
Second, Fulton			154 00	85		
Gano	19 50	13 40	195 25	100 50	14 30	14 30
Indianapolis		3 50	51 20	15 40	3 11	3 11
Lafayette	8 24		34 76	48 50	5 55	5 55
Lansing	32	30	540	268	33	24
Mt. Greenwood	15 47		211 63	112 51	28 37	7 66
Newton	7 90	3 55	194 54	135 03	3 40	3 40
First, Roseland	25	25	2,387	863 29	110	50
South Holland	20	5	1,444 78	851 35	10	10
Spring Valley, Ustick		13 65	93 62	132 89	4 38	5 34
Summit	5		103 85	91 90	5	
Wichert	29 25	28 37	83 13	138 66		
W. M. Union			35			
Randolph				64		
Chicago Missionary Conference				175		
Totals	\$340 50	\$205 20	\$8,446 95	\$4,419 40	\$317 43	\$283 46
CLASSIS OF DAKOTA.						
Aurora	\$6	\$2	\$93 50	\$140	\$5	\$5
Castlewood	10	3 83	91 20	90 33	8	13
Charles Mix	10 88	5	55	95	12	12
Corsica	7 50	4	51	98 82	6	20
Grand View	8	8	59	83	8	8

CLASSES.	Education.	Publication and Bible-school Work.	Foreign Missions.	Domestic Missions and Church Building Fund.	Disabled Ministers' Fund.	Widows' Fund.
CLASSIS OF DAKOTA. (Continued).						
Harrison	20	11 48	665 40	736 98	19 50	14 26
Hull, American Reformed			160	62 12		
Lake View						
Litchville	1 25		10	76 63		
Maurice, American Reformed			121 04	87 81	23 59	
Monroe, Sandham Memorial	30 52	10	548 54	311 43	16 87	24 81
North Marion	10	10	329 59	191 86	10 56	10 56
Orange City, American Reformed ..	45 44	45 45	1,991 37	804 44	32	32
Springfield	64 37	58 49	849 75	784 15	52 61	52 61
Strasburg	5	10	75	60	5	5
Tyndall			20			
Westfield	27 41	15	462 67	487 68	16 41	16 41
Twin Brooks						
Bemis	4	1	25	46	2	
Wimbledon, Dover			26 46	21 87		
W. M. Union			54 30			
Totals	\$250 37	\$184 25	\$5,688 82	\$4,178 12	\$217 54	\$213 65
CLASSIS OF GERMANIA.						
Baker			\$10	\$4		
Bethany	\$30	\$10	100	130		
Bethel	5	5	10			
Chancellor		5	106	360	\$10	\$10
Cromwell Center	15	10	50	69 30	5	5
Davis			22	50	12	8
Delaware			42 69	42 50	14 75	14 75
Dempster	6	4	101	114 39	4	4
Herman				9 44		
Hope	10	10	40		10	
Lennox, Second	22 34	10	97 60	724 28	21 48	11
Logan			20 83	20		
Monroe		10	70	149 78	10	
North Sibley	18 12	1	15	24	6	3 70
Salem	25	15	216 60	273 60	40	11
Scotland			42 11	38		
Sibley	7	11 57		33 43	5	4
Claremont						
George				55		
Totals	\$138 46	\$91 57	\$943 83	\$2,083 72	\$138 23	\$71 45
CLASSIS OF GRAND RIVER.						
Ada			\$33 75	\$26 07		
Atwood			40 96	38 57		
Beverly		\$20 23	21 10	69 76	\$4 89	
Byron Center	\$8		189 55	95 57	7	\$6
Coopersville	18 81		1,292 97	444 93	17	32 20
Decatur		4 41	11 17	4 56		
Detroit	51 94	5	366 06	448 44	10	10
East Paris				24 26		
Falmouth			5 60	16 66	5	
Fremont			235 34	115 39	9 56	9 56
Grand Haven, First	57 26		791 97	479 15	25	30
Grand Rapids, Third	13 63		1,378 01	520 34	10	10
Grand Rapids, Fourth	10	20	809 52	529 53	20	20
Grand Rapids, Fifth	26 25	13 13	1,783 04	1,494 38	26 25	26 25
Grand Rapids, Sixth	15	10	130	128 91	15	10
Grand Rapids, Seventh	10	3	569 53	372 73	10	35
Grand Rapids, Eighth	12 22		481 73	220 08	4 83	4 83
Grand Rapids, Ninth	10	14	313	274	7	7
Grand Rapids, Central		5 40				
Grand Rapids, Trinity						
Grandville	20	21 23	517 64	438 45	20	20
Grant				51 56		

CLASSES.	Education.	Publication and Bible-school Work.	Foreign Missions.	Domestic Missions and Church Building Fund.	Disabled Ministers' Fund.	Widows' Fund.
CLASSIS OF GRAND RIVER. (Continued).						
Kalamazoo, First	24		264 96	258 79	10 30	45
Kalamazoo, Third	24	8	635	545	16	16
Kalamazoo, Fourth			74 55	115	10	40
Lamont			4	267		2 01
Moddersville				24 68		
Muskegon, First	31		377 38	303 73	12	12
Muskegon, Third			37	41		10
New Era		4	164 71	43	12	6
Plainfield			28 19	18 13		
Portage	7 90	6 71	126 44	103 25	3 87	3 88
Rehoboth	10	5	30		5	5
South Barnard				28 40		
South Haven				45		
Spring Lake	18 35	10	376 50	308 75	10	10
Twin Lakes	13	8	100 20	66 80	6	6
Brand Mission						
Allendale						
Allegan Mission				16 86		
Grand Rapids Mission Fest.			90			
W. M. Union			28 81			
Minister's Association				30		
Lucas				52 25		
Kalamazoo, Mission Fest.				155		
Totals	\$381 36	\$158 11	11,308 68	\$8,205 98	\$256 70	\$376 73
CLASSIS OF GREENE.						
Athens	\$5	\$10	\$59 02	\$68 50	\$10	
Catskill	19 47	9 75	714 95	535 90	39 20	
First, Coxsackie	6 20	4 51	110 05	116 17	4 17	\$10 45
Second, Coxsackie	5 67	3 77	170 18	129 08	7 48	20
Kiskatom			40 00	52 00		
Leeds	2		38 08	27 53		
Kiskatom, Bethel			12			
W. M. Union			12			
Totals	\$38 34	\$28 03	\$1,156 28	\$929 18	\$60 85	\$30 45
CLASSIS OF HOLLAND.						
W. Olive				\$11		
Beaverdam	\$5	\$3 10	\$84	93 87	\$3	\$3
First, Cleveland	15		72 60	171 89	5 50	5 50
Calvary, Cleveland	41	8 20	494 40	561 13	20 50	20 50
Dunningville			13 05	29 12		
East Overisel			86 72	126 61		
Ebenezer	10 20	8	191 72	187 04	7	4 88
Graafschap			161 01	162 94		
First, Hamilton	18	10 64	558 43	348 62	14 30	14 30
Harlem			19 84			
First, Holland	34 24	7 40	1,235 30	825 32	22 79	20 53
Third, Holland	57	8	2,915 75	877 66	19	40
Fourth, Holland			261 02	254 40		
Sixth, Holland	6		7	23 50		
Hudsonville			25 50	45 36		
First, Jamestown		45 09	1,428	525 04	25 10	19 50
Second, Jamestown	16 14	1 50	782 34	300 04	18 03	11 40
North Blendon	3	2	55	48 50	2	2 25
North Holland	22 25	11 50	544 79	341 60	14 25	14 25
Ottawa						
Overisel	30 66		1,914 18	627 43	22	22 04
South Blendon	11 06	5 58	152 19	147 78	12 29	8 40
Three Oaks	2		107 68	46 40	3	3
Vriesland		17 55	493 60	612 24	5 55	5 55
First, Zeeland	52 79	22 79	884 53	592 98	24 29	32 67
Second, Zeeland	78 49		1,675 70	958 43	25 09	

CLASSES.	Education.	Publication and Bible-school Work.	Foreign Missions.	Domestic Missions and Church Building Fund.	Disabled Ministers' Fund.	Widows' Fund.
CLASSIS OF HOLLAND. (Continued).						
Christian Ref. and Ref. Churches Fest., Cleveland			25 41			
Colonial Mission Fest., Zeeland			350	320		
W. M. Union			28 81			
Totals	\$402 83	\$153 35	14,570 55	\$1,966 95	\$243 79	\$227 77
CLASSIS OF HUDSON.						
Claverack	\$18 13	\$4 75	\$156 40	\$158 49	\$8 75	\$20
Gallatin	3		17 38	17 38	2	3 89
Germantown	10	5	166 19	162 43	10	18
Greenport	13 46		45 60	60		
Hudson	21 11	8 45	327 02	374 45	33 79	20
Hudson, Hungarian						
Linlithgo	9 80	25 43	137 95	125 38	16 87	20
Livingston Memorial	3		13	13	15 25	15 25
Mellenville	10 63	9 17	173 63	114 16	4 97	4 97
Philmont	59 02	31 86	382 68	433 21	50 59	33 72
West Copake			36 87	8 28		
Greenport, Mt. Pleasant						
W. M. Union			2 11			
Totals	\$148 15	\$84 66	\$1,445 83	\$1,458 84	\$142 22	\$135 83
CLASSIS OF ILLIONIS.						
Bethany			\$1,485 48	\$731 72		
Englewood, Second		\$3 80	265 10	99 10	\$17 10	\$17 10
Fairview	\$10	6	299 35	306 70	10	30
West Side Hungarian			15			
Emmanuel		5	70	50		
Manito		5	2 50	2 50		
Northwestern			35	41		
Pennsylvania Lane						
Raritan			25 90	22 40		
Spring Lake			18 86	33		
Trinity	9		164 48	138 48	6	6
Kensington, Italian Mission						
Chicago, Italian Mission				77 78		
Whiteside Co. Miss. Fest.				90		
Totals	\$19	\$19 80	\$2,381 67	\$1,592 63	\$33 10	\$53 10
CLASSIS OF KINGSTON.						
Rev. and Mrs. M. V. Oggel		\$5				
Bloomington	\$12 30		\$133 69	\$66 32		\$20
The Clove			61			
Dashville			3 49			
Gardiner			27 82	22		
Guilford			52 26	43 26		
Hurley	4	5	155	145 02	\$6	6
Kingston, Fair St.	23 68	4 74	483 52	340 02	9 47	9 47
Krumville	3		15 50	9 50		
Lyonsville	4	8	11	7 25	3	
New Paltz			837 82	154 42		
Rochester			47 50	27 11		
Rosendale			4 55			
Rosendale Plains			4 78	2 50		
St. Remy			15 60	2 50		
Marbletown	10		99 72	76 37	5	5
Alligerville			5			
Marbletown, North	2 80		31 45	22 40	1 19	
W. M. Union			15			
High Falls				47		
Mt. Marion				13 90		
Totals	\$59 78	\$22 74	\$2,004 70	\$984 57	\$24 66	\$40 47

CLASSES.	Education.	Publication and Bible-school Work.	Foreign Missions.	Domestic Missions and Church Building Fund.	Disabled Ministers' Fund.	Widows' Fund.
CLASSIS NORTH LONG ISLAND.						
Jamaica		\$28 70	\$1,090 37	\$601 93		\$40
Newtown			132 95	73 25		
Oyster Bay			20	22 25		
North Hempstead	\$7 50	7 50	80	77 50	\$7 50	7 50
Williamsburgh			92 50	64 50	14 35	
Astoria						
Flushing	40	20	1,545 05	637 30	100	40
Kent St., Brooklyn	11	2	83 92	30 15	5 60	5 60
South Bushwick	22 45	17 32	310 41	118 47	32 92	61 72
Astoria, German, Second	13	5 67	30	53	8	8
Queens	3 50	3 50	242 92	277 76	5 25	65 25
German Ev., Brooklyn			51 64	24	15	5
Sayville			127 50	97 73	11 04	20
Locust Valley			200	65 01		
College Point	73 14	38 27	394 53	218 99	77 45	75 71
First, Long Island City	2		76 10	87 10	5	5
Bushwick						
German Ev., Jamaica			10	10		
Hicksville				5		
German, Newtown		5		25		
Steinway	5		45	32 10		
Church of Jesus						
New Hyde Park	3 15		5	80		
Sunny Side		2		6	2	2
Winfield	5	5	19 45	25	5	5
German Ev., Far Rockaway			10	15		
Valley Stream						
German Ev., Manhattan						
W. M. Union			25			
Hollis				25		
Rev. Lewis Francis		5				
Totals	\$185 74	\$139 96	\$4,592 34	\$2,667 04	\$289 11	\$340 78
CLASSIS SOUTH LONG ISLAND.						
First Reformed, Brooklyn	\$10		\$1,161 21	\$1,556 20	\$50	\$25
Flatbush, First	66	\$25	1,065 95	1,725 94	92	58
Grace Reformed	30	15	3,634 73	502 25	75	60
New Utrecht	25	53 14	408 49	318 34	30	25
Gravesend, First	25 87		1,262 81	467 93		
Flatlands	20	14 25	196 45	385 31	31	30
New Lots						
Forest Park			55	154 12		
South Brooklyn		15	332	478	25	25
Twelfth Street	21 38		83 80	71 22	7 20	41 30
Bethany			32	25 50		
Church-on-the-Heights	60 36	36 79	1,062 70	512 05	18 60	18 60
New Brooklyn	12	5 06	40 54	30	5	5
Second, Flatbush				50		
Canarsie	5	5	18 50	10	10	10
St. Thomas, U. S. A.			13 26	80 57		
Ocean Hill	4 86	7 36	44 67	46 53	4 64	4 64
Edgewood	5	5 58	90	105 60	22 35	30
Ridgewood			18	28	5	5
Woodlawn	25	10	89 50	57 79	25	
Greenwood Heights	10	10	75 61	101	10	10
Bay Ridge	23 55	20	148 70	105 55	22 78	22 78
Gravesend Neck				13 80		
Barren Island						
Little Neck				12 50		
Herkimer Street						
Flatlands Neck				21 18		
W. M. Union			39 66			
Totals	\$344 02	\$222 18	\$9,873 58	\$6,859 38	\$433 57	\$370 32

CLASSES.	Education.	Publication and Bible-school Work.	Foreign Missions.	Domestic Missions and Church Building Fund.	Disabled Ministers' Fund.	Widows' Fund.
CLASSIS OF MICHIGAN.						
Allendale			\$5 62	\$104 83		
American Reformed, Hamilton			130 39	23 56		
Bethany, Grand Rapids	\$30	\$22 50	1,133 29	564	\$17 50	\$17 50
Fairview				32		
Bethany, Kalamazoo	15	5	348 22	449 67	15	5
Bethel, Grand Rapids	3 60	2 40	145 17	155 62	2 40	2 40
Calvary, Grand Rapids		5	90	143 23		
Grace, Grand Rapids	11	11	345	269 80	6 60	6 60
Grand Haven, Second	15	5 50	290 03	57 50	8	8
Grand Rapids, First						
Grand Rapids, Second	119 93	24 59	2,263 65	1,544 39	47 97	47 97
Hope, Holland	77 75	40 98	1,299 34	648 72	72 78	45 85
Immanuel, Grand Rapids	5	5	346 29	223	10	10
Kalamazoo, Second	10	5	1,696 68	536 50	7 50	7 50
Knapp Avenue, Grand Rapids	5 33		10	82		
Muskegon, Second	6 85		265 85	249 25	13 05	
North Park, Kalamazoo	15 54	15 01	477 85	235 42	11 65	11 65
Trinity, Holland			608 07	420 16	5 81	5 81
Trinity, Grand Rapids	10	5	195 91	147 15	10	10
Muskegon, Elizabeth St.	5					
Grand Rapids, Zion	10	5	50	155		25
New Gronigen						
Muskegon, Unity		5	119 50	103 50	5	5
Kalamazoo, Mission Fest.			278 85	65		
W. M. Union			28 80			
Totals	\$340	\$156 98	10,128 51	\$6,210 30	\$233 26	\$208 28
CLASSIS OF MONMOUTH.						
First, Freehold		\$5 07	\$217 16	\$200 05	\$21 19	
Second, Freehold	\$49 96	12 10	459 22	413 29	27 76	\$27 76
Red Bank			73 77	148 97	5	5
Keyport		12	79 92	174 50	10	
Asbury Park	2 31	1 15	64 24	63 96	1 15	1 15
Colt's Neck	4		38	43 70	4	
Long Branch			50 88	36 59	2 49	
Holmdel	7 20	8 83	74 78	91 04	20 05	
Middletown	7 80	8 57	104 71	166 39	5 33	6 27
"E. A. & W.," Holmdel		5				
Totals	\$71 27	\$52 72	\$1,162 68	\$1,338 49	\$96 97	\$40 18
CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY.						
Amsterdam, First	\$32 15	\$16 07	\$182 47	\$171 48	\$28 05	\$28 05
Amsterdam, Trinity	15 31	3 06	137 44	168 19	9 19	6 13
Aurlesville			7 43	9 97		
Canajoharie		13 06	186 81	114 40	13 05	24 95
Cicero				9 70		
Columbia			2	3		
Cranesville						
Currytown			5			
Ephrata	15 05					
Florida			124 02	63		5
Fonda	16 12	3	172 52	160 79	26 86	30
Fort Herkimer						
Fort Plain	41 57	15	231 12	215 85	45 77	33 25
Fultonville	5	10	58 20	48 97		20
Glen			32	26		
Hagaman	12 66	24 30	175 26	171 44	17 73	17 73
Herkimer	45 79	48 16	348 15	433 01	61 06	55 79
Interlaken	18 09	3 74	193 70	199 97	26 48	45 33
Johnstown	5	5	72 65	64 60	5	5
Lodi	10	5	142 85	166 85	5	5
Manheim						
Mapletown						
Mohawk			3 93	5		

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CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY. (Continued).						
Naumburg			10	55		
Owasco	3	3	60	37 50	2	2
Owasco Outlet			35	35 25		
St. Johnsville	20	4	98 50	191 50	10	5
Sprakers			6 45	6 44		
Stone Arabia	16 75					
Syracuse, First	3	50	166	77 50	1 50	1 50
Syracuse, Second	5	5	72	87 50	5	5
Thousand Islands			19	38 50	15	
Utica		10 28	171 44	213 09		
West Leyden	1		10 80	27 50	2	5
Sammons ville			3 50	4 85		
East Herkimer						
W. M. Union			43			
Totals	\$266 49	\$169 17	\$2,771 24	\$2,866 35	\$278 69	\$284 73
CLASSIS OF NEWARK.						
Belleville	\$33 56	\$42 04	\$201 12	\$215	\$33 55	\$33 55
First, Newark			170	220		
First, Irvington			35	25		
New York Ave., Newark	1	70	42 82	59 13	72	73
Franklin, Nutley	25	25	178	264 22	30	8 41
North, Newark	78 89	19 72	1,974 26	2,866 63	99 39	99 39
West, Newark						
Clinton Ave., Newark	34 45	10 75	1,198 98	740 98	28 21	51 41
Trinity, Newark	1 30	87	87 99	65 31	1	1 42
Linden	15	4 50	81 62	103 35	8	10
Christ Church, Newark		10 49	123 45	58 46		
Brookdale	6 34		36 40	15 26		
Orange, First	18 60		993 09	271 48	19 40	19 40
Trinity, Plainfield	24	32	871 10	486 50	13 60	34
German, Plainfield						
Montclair Heights			258	230 34	60	60
Hyde Park	5 49	2 75	247 35	184 75	2 74	2 75
Netherwood			5	5		
Marconnier			5	5		
Second, Irvington		10 98				
W. M. Union			77 25			
Totals	\$243 63	\$159 80	\$6,586 43	\$5,816 41	\$296 61	\$321 06
CLASSIS OF NEW BRUNSWICK.						
First, New Brunswick	\$34	\$75	\$529 22	\$567 50	\$51	\$51
Six Mile Run	6 20		710 04	266 58	7 30	10 19
Hillsborough	38 51	19 21	261 16	246 20	25 70	26 77
Middlebush		19 14	105 78	106 78	15 72	
Griggstown	7	7 05	179 40	98 15	13 90	4 80
Second, New Brunswick	30	15	1,196 67	677 89	30	30
Bound Brook	7 98	22 17	213 89	170 64	10 17	11 17
East Millstone	5 08	26 94	87 03	83 89	5 49	6 04
Metuchen	39 44	23 66	453 67	210 53	23 66	20
Suydam St., New Brunswick	27 85		954 06	271 17	46 74	55 25
Highland Park			53 46	57 45		
Rocky Hill			84 81	61 70		
Spotswood	7	5	47 65	48 65	15	10
St. Paul's, Perth Amboy	2		13	22	3	2
Belle Mead, Pleasant View		5	45			
W. M. Union			23 87			
East Somerville				12		
Throop Ave.		11 19				
Totals	\$205 06	\$222 36	\$4,958 71	\$2,915 13	\$247 68	\$227 22

CLASSES.	Education.	Publication and Bible-school Work.	Foreign Missions.	Domestic Missions and Church Building Fund.	Disabled Ministers' Fund.	Widows' Fund.
CLASSIS OF NEW YORK.						
New York Collegiate.....	\$506 67	\$303 02	28,489 54	18,671 41	\$1,308 46	\$376 25
The Marble		5				
St. Nicholas		21 16				
The West End						
The Middle						
North Chapel						
Fort Washington				26 97		
Thirty-fourth Street	15	30	185	167	37 50	37 50
Knox Memorial		31	489 70	416 03	11	11
Vermilye Chapel	10		70	25		
Sunshine Chapel						
Harlem	55 57	42 25	804 06	1,546 74	27 66	46 91
Elmendorf		50 07	170 21	191 94	20 50	18 20
Staten Island	30 90		316 35	369 40	6 80	30
Fordham Manor	20	14	102	157	42	
Sixty-eighth Street, German.....	5	3	85	70	10	10
Manor Chapel			43 94	149 47		
Brighton Heights	38 51	23 15	977 10	252 12	34 03	31 03
Zion, German	15	2 50	73	65	20	5
West Farms	3 67	5 55	34 77	9 04	5 55	5 55
Huguenot Park			9 50			
Mott Haven	28 53	27 83	96 35	108 39	17 83	17 83
Melrose, German	11	3	5	63	5	10
Fourth German	10	15	110	40	30	30
Union of High Bridge.....	13 50	11 30	378 42	78 90	28 72	19 82
Ave. B, German			10		10	
St. Peter's German Ev.						
Grace	10	10	250	250	20	20
Hamilton Grange	32 33	32 33	298 38	341 44	27 71	27 71
Anderson Memorial			10	10		
Church-of-the-Comforter	8 78	8 78	69 17	52 71	8 78	8 78
Bethany Memorial	10	20	326 78	188 33	10	10
Mariner's Harbor	4	20 25	13 50	39 08	9	
Trinity of Belfast, Me.....						
White Tail				18		
Apache				15		
Columbian Memorial (Indian).....	15					
Vermilye Memorial			25			
McKee, Ky.			5	1 29		
Annvile, Ky.			26 80	10		
Gray Hawk Mission				6 48		
Winnebago, Neb. (Indian).....			37 50	37 50		
Mescalero, N. M. (Indian).....			8 34			
Clover Road Chapel						
Clove Valley Chapel						
Fifth Street, Ave. B, Ev.....	10			20		
Colony		15		229 24		
Lawton				59		
Rev. Wm. I. Chamberlain.....		5				
Totals	\$853 46	\$699 19	33,520 41	23,678 51	\$1,690 54	\$718 58
CLASSIS OF ORANGE.						
Bloomingsburgh			\$10	\$51	\$39	
Callicoon			17 50	33 55		
Claraville						
Cuddebackville			10 86			
Deer Park		\$3	256 50	232	18	\$18
Ellenville	\$30 50	37 30	397 72	340 45	22 82	61 92
Grahamsville	2	3	10	25	2	
Kerhonkson				3		
Mamakating			36	36		
Minisink						
Montgomery	12 60	9 60	251 80	140 80	18 10	9 60
Newburgh	41 84	21 34	557 02	348 24	41 85	21 38
New Hurley	7 25	1	187 25	91 51	5 25	7 40

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CLASSIS OF ORANGE. (Continued).						
New Prospect	11 65	9 27	138 33	134 50	14 10
Shawangunk	6 43	5 41	161 04	151 93	7 55	6 22
Unionville						
Walden	21 58	31 54	569	177 32	7 41	7 41
Wallkill	30 84	3 08	227 94	209 63	9 25	6 17
Walpack Lower				5		
Walpack Upper						
Warwarsing			5	17		
West End	6	4	15	10	2	2
Newburgh, Italian						
Woodbourne	9 73		29 50	29 46	9 73	9 73
W. M. Union			8 50			
Totals	\$180 42	\$128 54	\$2,888 96	\$2,036 39	\$197 06	\$151 83
CLASSIS OF PALISADES.						
New Durham	\$40	\$100	\$1,600	\$615	\$25	\$25
First, Hoboken				5		
North Bergen		57	312	258	25	12
German Ev., Hoboken	30		70	110		20
Coytesville		1 91	71 60	37 36	3 39	3 36
Guttenburg	4 76	3 57	73 31	62 60	2 38	1 79
Central Avenue, Jersey City	71 52	73 64	927 12	431	35 76	26 82
Secaucus						
Italian				6 49		
First, West Hoboken	17 45	15	1,007 63	35	6 85	6
Trinity, West New York	5	5	125	355		5
Woodcliff-on-Hudson	8 97	22 78	279 50	217 17	7 18	5 39
Hope, West Hoboken	10					
W. M. Union			39			
Totals	\$187 70	\$278 90	\$4,505 16	\$2,132 62	\$110 56	\$105 36
CLASSIS OF PARAMUS.						
Acquackanonk	\$223 28	\$179 12		\$1,658 64	\$179 12	\$148 30
Athenia	11 32	2 27	\$104 28	91 86	6 75	4 56
Clarkstown			48 63	20 54		
Clifton	28 44	23 44	258 52	365 72	38 89	30
Clifton, Holland		5	100 29	26 50	5	20
Garfield		5	19	67 50		
Glen Rock			22 36	22 35		7
Hawthorne	8		42 22	50 51	4	4
Hobokus	2	8 30	45 18	91 19	2	
Lodi, First Holland			95 62	62 07	20	20
Lodi, Second			23			
North Paterson	5	5	23 31	314 56	5	
Paramus	34 35		382 33	669 97	17 90	17 91
Pascack		1	177	61 71	5	5
Passaic, First Holland	25		1,178 34	478 56	28 66	28 66
Passaic, North	22 89	64 83	1,050 37	522 97	18 30	18 32
Paterson, Broadway	20 90	10	654 10	246 15	34 23	33 33
Paterson, Church of Covenant	34 98	13 26	124 32	119 80	34 48	37 19
Paterson, First Holland	30		875	35	15	15
Paterson, Second	32 30	45	211 84	245 76	28	30
Piermont	10	12 48	70	90	15	15
Ramapo	19	8	257 92	234 45	11	25
Ridgewood	35	70	2,207	778 44	50	35
Saddle River	5 38		27 82	22 81		
Spring Valley	9 15		262 13	180 44	17 75	
Tappan			137 97	106 98	11 75	11 75
Waldwick	25		7	5		
Warwick	49 21	15 94	530 72	562 21	25 79	25 80
West New Hempstead			28 40	23		
Wortendyke, First Holland	10 21	5 35	90 84	31 59	5 72	25 32
Wortendyke, Trinity			65 29	53 49		

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CLASSIS OF PARAMUS. (Continued).						
Upper Ridgewood Com.	4 33	4 33	58 58	20 19 84	4 34
Passaic, Lakeview Ave. ....	.....	.....	2,394 83	.....	.....	.....
Passaic, First .....	.....	.....	37 79	.....	.....	.....
W. M. Union .....	.....	.....	6 33	.....	.....	.....
Passaic Park .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals	\$645 74	\$484 65	11,612	\$7,279 61	\$583 68	\$557 14
CLASSIS OF PASSAIC.						
Boonton .....	.....	.....	\$66 50	\$47 50	.....	.....
Fairfield .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Little Falls, First	\$37 60	\$33 29	327 26	311 27	\$37 25	\$39
Little Falls, Second	6	6	102 25	.....	.....	.....
Montville .....	.....	.....	30	12 35	.....	.....
Mountain Lakes	10	10	77 50	67 50	3 55	.....
People's Park	15	.....	153 50	65	8	50 50
Pompton .....	.....	5	197 11	244 75	7 25	.....
Pompton Plains	9 43	4 04	329 73	512 56	2 70	20
Ponds .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Preakness	10	.....	43	45 08	.....	.....
Riverside	13	16	134 48	157 43	20	11
Sixth, Holland .....	.....	.....	2,976 77	27	.....	33
Totowa, First	25	15	.....	.....	.....	.....
Union Reformed .....	.....	10	360	287	15	30
Wanaque	3 50	3 50	28	24 50	5 25	5 25
Wyckoff .....	.....	2 40	29 20	111 80	2 40	2 40
W. M. Union .....	.....	.....	41 35	.....	.....	.....
Pompton Lakes .....	.....	.....	.....	32 17	.....	.....
Rev. George W. Labaw.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals	\$129 53	\$107 23	\$4,896 40	\$1,970 91	\$101 40	\$172 15
CLASSIS OF PELLA.						
Bethany	\$10 39	.....	\$26 93	\$101 53	\$6	\$6
Bethel	7 76	.....	65 75	95 92	10	8 09
Central (Oskaloosa)	11	.....	12	56 50	.....	.....
Ebenezer	17 78	\$11	345 42	.....	7 90	7 89
Eddyville	5	5	45	45	5	5
Galesburg .....	.....	.....	8 69	7 70	.....	.....
Kilduff .....	.....	.....	48 67	56 38	.....	.....
Muscatine .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Sharon	9 75	17 36	83 58	87 05	5 07	5 08
Otley	20	42 15	421 63	610 51	20	20
Pella, First	81	81	1,519 50	1,373 96	1 10	48
Pella, Second	55	15	1,006	999	50	50
Pella, Third	25	10	1,126 19	629 72	20	40
Prairie City	5	5	114 41	106 24	.....	5
Sully .....	.....	1 50	69 10	54 94	6	6 50
East Prairie .....	.....	.....	30	20	.....	.....
Pella, Ia., Mission Fest.....	.....	.....	360 89	360 89	.....	.....
W. M. Union .....	.....	.....	43	.....	.....	.....
Leighton .....	.....	.....	.....	475 49	.....	.....
Sand Ridge .....	.....	.....	.....	15 75	.....	.....
Totals	\$247 68	\$188 01	\$5,326 76	\$5,116 58	\$239 97	\$201 56
CLASSIS OF PHILADELPHIA.						
North and South Hampton.....	\$36 54	\$11 91	\$238 57	\$173 13	\$7 95	.....
Harlingen	14 45	.....	289 37	247 38	1 08	\$60
Neshanic	28 39	8 53	238 16	285	9 31	12 71
Philadelphia, First	27 17	17 50	276 64	147 70	10 97	10 97
Philadelphia, Second .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Philadelphia, Fourth	25	25	215 36	190	20	15 25
Blawenburgh	8 33	2 24	87 46	84 96	8 33	4 76
Stanton	51	38
Clover Hill	32	17	3	3

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CLASSIS OF PHILADELPHIA. (Continued).						
Philadelphia, Fifth	15	5	65	36	15	20
Addisville	22 60	11 30	173 90	146 40	5 65	5 65
Three Bridges	9	2 50	64 12	58 63	6	2
Philadelphia, Talmage	23 13	20	205	87 82	20	10
Timmons ville, S. C.						
Feasterville		8 51				
Florence, S. C.			9 25			
Johnsville, Pa.			8 91			
W. M. Union						
Totals	\$209 61	\$112 49	\$1,954 74	\$1,512 02	\$107 29	\$144 34
CLASSIS PLEASANT PRAIRIE.						
Alexander	\$7	\$2 41	\$102 20	\$108 80	\$4	\$4
Aplington	45	10	223 55	329 89	25	25
Baileyville	20		80	164 72	20	20
Bristow		1	54 43	170	2	2
Buffalo Center	10	4	243 96	256 43	10	10
Dumont	5	4 57	70 20	80 50	2 50	2 50
Ebenezer	10	12	170	190	20	10
Elim	7	6	51	57	5	5
Fairview			43 92	18 30	2	2
Forreston	75	25	340	375	50	29
Immanuel	8 29		115	224 28	30	30
Meservey	25	10	75	408 89	10	36 86
Monroe, Bethel, Ger.	10			100	19	43 30
Parkersburg	20		100	187 10	15	
Pekin, Second			13			
Peoria	5	15 75	21 33	69 67		
Ramsay				164 24		
Silver Creek	40	10	464 42		30	
Stout		12	12 91	65 46		
Washington	10		130		22	
Wellsburg	5	5	35	45	20	20
Zion	25 75	3	201 35	30	48 50	3
Goodell Mission, Ia.				17 92		
Parkersburg, Md.				31		
Britt				20 65		
Brownsdale				16 40		
Miss. Stations				20		
Totals	\$328 04	\$120 73	\$2,547 27	\$3,151 25	\$326	\$233 66
CLASSIS OF POUGHKEEPSIE.						
Poughkeepsie	\$48 66	\$24 03	\$393 97	\$911 13	\$211 81	\$187 65
Fishkill	9 38		102 91	114 90	4 07	
Hopewell	19 05	19 08	104 20	107 20	19 09	19 08
New Hackensack		6 77	118 90	65 37	13 73	9 67
Rhinebeck			228 25	164 50		
Beacon	36 03	48 21	412 97	302 29	47 22	48 66
Hyde Park			5	8 88		
Glenham						
Millbrook	13 74	1 25	250 89	238 85	21 71	
First, Arlington			25	30		
Upper Red Hook	1	3 03	133 06	70 38		3 94
Emmanuel, Poughkeepsie ..						
Miss Anna Van Voort, Fishkill		2				
Totals	\$127 86	\$104 37	\$1,775 15	\$2,003 50	\$317 62	\$269 01
CLASSIS OF RARITAN.						
First, Raritan	\$18 83	\$9 26	\$738 79	\$520 10	\$34 74	\$60
Readington	14 20	5 17	157 23	117 26	7 56	
Bedminster	22 69	42 71	475 52	292 08	23 50	21

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CLASSIS OF RARITAN. (Continued).						
Lebanon	7 99	7 37	262 40	263 34	7 99	7 99
Rockaway	2	2	78 84	48 85	2	2
North Branch	7 57	1 25	275 39	261 60	1 63	1 63
Second, Raritan	76 72	105 81	1,388 60	839 38	95 81	76 72
Peapack	9	2 59	147 60	115 52	9	5 14
South Branch	7 88	5 25	161 68	164 92	7 88	7 88
Third, Raritan	17 55	8 51	232 70	217 13	10 53	7 02
Pottersville				12 50		
High Bridge	5	5	126 17	111 17	2 50	2 50
Annandale			24 69	24 55	2 05	
Fourth, Raritan	15	10	46 50	35	10	6
New Center			53 50	83 50		
W. M. Union			42 50			
Finderne				7 71		
Totals	\$204 34	\$204 92	\$4,212 11	\$3,115 61	\$215 19	\$197 88
CLASSIS OF RENSSELEAR.						
Blooming Grove	\$4	\$5	\$86 60	\$80 89	\$4	\$4
Castleton	5		70	152	5	20
Chatham	9	4 50	135 50	148 85	9	9
Ghent, First	2 64	3 03	63 40	76 25	59	
Ghent, Second	6	2	83 52	71 88	2	2
Greenbush	5	5	130 60	82 35	10	5
Kinderhook	10 24		383 22	360 13	14 90	21 61
Nassau	8 50	4	129 15	117 50	7 40	
New Concord	2 47		2 35	43 19	1	1
Rensselear, First			20	19		
Schodack		5	21	20		
Schodack Landing			55	50 65		
Stuyvesant		4 50	31 31	28 16		
Stuyvesant Falls				25		
West Ghent						
DeForestville (Blooming Grove)			19 65			
W. M. Union			3			
Totals	\$52 85	\$33 03	\$1,234 30	\$1,275 85	\$53 89	\$62 61
CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER.						
Abbe	\$65	\$13 20	\$1,550	\$250	\$10	
Arcadia	9 08	5	177 08	154 74		
Brighton	12		164 61	175 90	9 40	
Buffalo	10	10	61	91	10	10
Clymer Hill	3 86	3 86	155 40	133 50	3 86	3 86
Cutting						
East Williamson	35 81	9 91	933 08	198 29	3 50	3 50
First, Marion	10	5	190	49 65		5 25
Second, Marion	17 95	12 80	261 59	158 66	7 56	12 96
Ontario	5	5	139 78	103 75	5	
Palmyra	10	18 50	100 30	112 50	5	5
Pultneyville	23		329 43	293	7	7
First, Rochester	12	3	579 43	448 89	6	6
Second, Rochester	17 18	20 30	386 64	168 78	11 29	8 69
Sodus	11		65 47	123 55		
Tyre			75 75	50 73		
Williamson	6 75	7 26	66 33	120 50	4	4
Cl. of Rochester Mis. Fest			183 26	150		
Totals	\$248 63	\$113 83	\$5,419 15	\$2,783 44	\$82 61	\$66 16
CLASSIS OF SARATOGA.						
The Boght	\$2	\$5	\$36 96	\$48 90	\$2	\$2
Buskirks	20	4	87 90	79 90	10	10
Cohoes	18 60	4 65	640 23	204 86	13 95	9 30

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CLASSIS OF SARATOGA. (Continued).						
Easton			16 52	25	5	
Fort Miller			9 26	23		
Gansevoort	10 93	10 93	255 61	187 69	7 28	7 28
Greenwich			51 69	52 60	2 18	2 19
Northumberland		11 22	75 65	56 55	6 60	3 20
Saratoga						
Schaghticoke	10 25	12 65	138 80	163	10 15	10 15
West Troy, North	1	1		48	1	
Wynantskill	3 56			7		
Bacon Hill						
Totals.....	\$66 34	\$49 45	\$1,340 62	\$895 50	\$58 16	\$44 12
CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.						
Altamont	\$14 83	\$5 77	\$134 04	\$100 49	\$7 33	\$20
Amity (Visscher's Ferry)			42 40	25 40		
Glenville, First			111 20	64 32		
Helderberg	9 15	10 63	90 89	62 82	7 08	7 73
Lisha's Kill			96	122 58		
Niskayuna	25	16	400 07	243 86	10	20
Princeton	3 45		65 78	39 45		
Rotterdam, First			105 25	86 26		
Rotterdam, Second			44	44 75		
Schenectady, First	20 37	14 37	334 57	237 95	4 86	4 86
Schenectady, Second	50	10	1,318 06	633 02	40	
Schenectady, Mount Pleasant	65	20	271	273 60	10	10
Schenectady, Belvue	86 42	30	1,156 92	306 29	30	30
Scotia	15	22	342 43	260 62	20	20
Woodlawn		6 15	52 17	48 05	16 74	
South Princetown, Second						
W. M. Union			70 52			
Hope Chapel S. S.			10			
Totals.....	\$289 22	\$134 92	\$4,645 21	\$2,549 46	\$146 01	\$112 59
CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE.						
Beaverdam			\$6 68			
Berne	\$10 02	\$11 82	91 75	\$69 10	\$10 74	\$8 58
Cobleskill	9 78	2 04	47 02	96 13	8 49	5 50
Gilboa			72			
Grand Gorge			35 50	49 50		
Howe's Cave, First			60	33 19	2	2
Howe's Cave, Second	5	5	97 65	96 64	2	2
Lawyersville	1 12	3	112 92	74 59	6	
Middleburgh	11	4 40	5	5		
North Blenheim						
Prattsville			25 20	42 20		
Schoharie			44 20			
Sharon Center		4				
South Gilboa						
West Berne						
W. M. Union			10 26			
Sharon		8		44 20		
Totals.....	\$36 92	\$38 26	\$536 90	\$490 55	\$29 23	\$18 08
CLASSIS OF EAST SIOUX.						
Alton	\$31 48	\$5	\$2,100 20	\$324 85	\$27 85	\$23 85
Archer	4	7 05	199 50	182 50	22	4
Bigelow	5	2	15 65	16 70		
Boyden	60	40	3,140 65	583 74	75	75
Firth	5	1	41	10	5	40
Free Grace	30	30	435 26	356	40	40
Holland	30	25	2,481 69	1,171 65	30	30

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CLASSIS OF EAST SIOUX. (Continued).						
Hospers	20	10	581 32	604 62	20	20
Ireton	4 19	1	152 35	140 75	2 10	2 10
Lester	12 07		20 56	36 31		
Luctor		5	73	131 02	7 59	23 11
Matlock	10 87	6 25	7	22 69	10 03	4 50
Melvin			11 41	18 41		
Newkirk	58 80	10	1,724 98	768 04	35	20
Orange City	64 90	10	4,866 05	1,571 26	63 70	5
Pella	17 13	14 37	716 31	179 07	16 87	16
Prairie View	37 25		433 03	311 55	20 27	
Rotterdam	8 46		46 10	25	7 15	7 10
Rock Rapids	9 94	6 70	51 45	30	7 66	20
Sanborn		8 09	127 27	131 63	9 77	9 77
Sheldon	25	20	287 30	652 93	25	25
Sibley	8 18		40 17	23	11 91	11 92
Sioux City			90 44	15 74		
Wichita			5	15		
W. M. Union			38 25			
Totals.....	\$427 27	\$201 46	17,685 94	\$7,322 46	\$436 90	\$377 35
CLASSIS OF WEST SIOUX.						
Alvord	\$14 25		\$33 66	\$421 50	\$7 20	\$7
Bethel	20	\$10	532 05	534 98	60	70
Carmel		15	381 37	570 47	19 50	27 50
Chandler	8	5	242 35	180	6	6
Churchville				44 15	2 98	2 98
Clara City			28 52	13 28	10	30
Doon	5 12	7 58	115 21	107 34	6 91	15 58
Edgerton	20	15 50	191 52	226 02	50	30
Fairview			5	39		
Friesland		15	20		32	62 45
Fruitland Mesa			40	287 50		
Hull	41 50		1,649 98	655 41	56 36	59 65
Inwood		5 44	115 99	175 55	16 13	11 44
Maurice	104 12	33 36	1,073 26	2,077 99		11 91
Rock Valley	17 76	16 86	570 17	518 92	15 29	40 57
Roseland	15 58	9 16	187 41	174 65	15 02	60
Sandstone	3	3 45	23 94	27	4 50	3 10
Silver Creek	14 70	14 25	201 75	72 90	13	13
Sioux Center, First	60	30	3,835 90	4,022 81	110	50
Sioux Center, Central	27 31	9 55	1,405 68	2,019 60	28 16	19 95
Spring Creek			23 25	23 24	15	
Steen	18 53	19 98	319 42	292 17	15	22 95
Twin Brooks	2 90		21 15	9 29	5 36	5 36
Valley Springs			30	292		
Volga	12 50		24 03	30 85		3 30
Sioux County Churches			3,296 93			
W. M. Union			38 25			
Totals.....	\$375 22	\$210 13	14,406 79	12,316 62	\$488 46	\$552 74
CLASSIS OF ULSTER.						
Blue Mountain				\$31		
Church of the Comforter.....	\$16	\$15	\$106 63	119 59	\$18	\$14
Esopus			11 50	25		
Flatbush		2 50	34 27	22 48		
High Woods	2	2 50	10 78	9 68		2 67
Jay Gould Memorial			20			
Kaatsban			16 63	10		
Kingston, First	48 23	23 31	652 29	775 35	30	30
Plattekill	4 08		22 26	19 22	4 03	4 83
Port Ewen	5 93		44 88	53 76	5 56	5 06
Saugerties	10	10	201 02	155 09	10	10
Shandaken						

CLASSES.	Education.	Publication and Bible-school Work.	Foreign Missions.	Domestic Missions and Church Building Fund.	Disabled Ministers' Fund.	Widows' Fund.
CLASSIS OF ULSTER. (Continued).						
Shokan			7	2 20	1 67	
West Hurley			17 50	39 20	2 94	
Woodstock				120		
Roxbury						
Totals.....	\$86 24	\$53 31	\$1,144 76	\$1,382 57	\$72 20	\$66 56
CLASSIS OF WESTCHESTER.						
Bronxville			\$1,477 56	\$754 49	\$38 40	\$38 40
Cortlandtown		\$3 17	128 95	115 70	20	20
Crescent Place				15		
Greenburgh			42			
Greenville				27	2 50	
Hastings	25	5	25	25		
Hungarian, Peekskill						
Mount Verron	26 28	1 56	430 41	322 57	26 68	20
Mile Square, Yonkers	10	7 50	26	86 50	2 50	2 50
Nyack	50 81		300 94	348 44	78 22	52 81
Park Hill	22 40	22 40	773 47	778 58	22 40	22 40
Peekskill, First Van Nest.....	15	5	25	12 50	5	5
Scarsdale				15		
Parrytown, First	79 80	15	567 09	446 58	118 40	101 30
Parrytown, Second			247 70	158 25	19 56	19 56
Unionville	1 77		26 64	28 42	1	32 25
Yonkers, First			110	60		
Hawthorne		2 68				
W. M. Union			61 72			
Totals.....	\$231 06	\$62 31	\$4,242 48	\$3,194 03	\$334 66	\$314 22
CLASSIS OF WISCONSIN.						
Englewood, Second				\$217 20		
Alto	\$42 16	\$10	\$2,914 90	1,496 03	\$33 05	\$33 06
Baldwin			340 75	338 71	23 15	27 26
Cedar Grove	20	10	615 63	847	20	100
Forestville	6	5 60	22 45	52 55	2 70	2 50
Franklin						
Friesland	50		492	380 11		
Gibbsville	30	18	707 39	315 99	10	10
Greenleafston	59 26	17 92	1,079 72	1,142 50	31 03	34 19
Hingham	20	14 50	393 25	314 30	15 70	
Milwaukee	40	10	614 52	291	25	25
Oostburg	10	10	228 05	276 62	5	60
Randolph		14 53	118 41	62	23 73	
Sheboygan Hope	14 25		165 75	148	4	4
Sheboygan Falls	6 52	19 20	124 38	134 52	10	10
Vesper	5 50	8 45	17 42	23 36	2 61	9 05
Waupun	13 91	22	865 51	668 49	23 02	28 97
Sheboygan Co. Mission Fest.			165	80		
Alto, Friesland, Randolph, Wau- pun Miss. Fest.			425 87	283 25		
Whiteside Co. Mission Fest.			90			
Totals.....	\$317 60	\$160 20	\$9,381	\$7,066 63	\$228 99	\$344 03
Anonymous		\$1				
Cornelius Dykstra, Wakefield, R. I.		2 80				

PARTICULAR SYNODS.	Education.	Publication and Bible-school Work.	Foreign Missions.	Domestic Missions and Church Building Fund.	Disabled Ministers' Fund.	Widows' Fund.
CLASSES OF P. S. NEW YORK.						
Hudson	\$148 15	\$84 66	\$1,445 83	\$1,458 84	\$142 22	\$135 83
Kingston	59 78	22 74	2,004 70	984 57	24 66	40 47
North Long Island	185 74	139 96	4,592 34	2,667 04	289 11	340 78
South Long Island	344 02	222 18	9,873 58	6,859 38	433 57	370 32
New York	853 46	699 19	33,520 41	23,678 51	1,690 54	718 58
Orange	180 42	128 54	2,888 96	2,036 39	197 06	151 83
Poughkeepsie	127 86	104 37	1,775 15	2,003 50	317 62	269 01
Westchester	231 06	62 31	4,242 48	3,194 03	334 66	314 22
Totals	\$2,130 49	\$1,463 95	\$60,343 45	\$42,882 26	\$3,429 44	\$2,341 04
CLASSES OF P. S. ALBANY.						
Albany	\$278 64	\$137 14	\$5,859 67	\$4,353 73	\$295 55	\$201 10
Greene	38 34	28 03	1,156 28	929 18	60 85	30 45
Montgomery	266 49	169 17	2,771 24	2,806 35	278 69	284 73
Rensselaer	52 85	33 03	1,234 30	1,215 85	53 89	62 61
Rochester	248 63	113 83	5,419 15	2,783 44	82 61	66 16
Saratoga	66 34	49 45	1,340 62	895 50	58 16	44 12
Schenectady	289 22	134 92	4,645 21	2,549 46	146 01	112 59
Schoharie	36 92	38 26	536 90	490 55	29 23	18 08
Ulster	86 24	53 31	1,144 76	1,382 57	72 20	66 56
Totals	\$1,363 67	\$757 14	\$24,108 13	\$17,466 63	\$1,077 19	\$886 40
CLASSES OF P. S. CHICAGO.						
Cascades	\$28 14	\$27 22	\$632 82	\$959 32	\$53 68	\$39 13
Chicago	340 50	205 20	8,446 95	4,419 40	317 43	283 46
Dakota	250 37	184 25	5,613 82	4,405 12	217 54	213 65
Germania	138 46	91 57	1,018 83	2,083 72	138 23	71 45
Grand River	381 36	158 11	11,308 68	8,206 98	256 70	376 73
Holland	402 83	153 35	14,570 55	8,238 95	243 79	227 77
Illinois	19	19 80	2,381 67	1,592 68	33 10	53 10
East Sioux	442 27	201 46	17,685 94	7,322 46	436 90	377 35
West Sioux	385 27	210 13	14,406 79	12,816 62	488 46	552 74
Michigan	340	156 98	10,128 51	6,210 30	233 26	208 28
Pella	247 68	188 01	5,326 76	5,116 58	239 97	291 56
Pleasant Prairie	328 04	120 73	2,547 27	3,151 25	326	233 66
Wisconsin	317 60	160 20	9,381	7,066 63	228 99	344 03
Totals	\$3,621 52	\$1,877 01	\$103,449 59	\$71,589 01	\$3,214 05	\$3,182 91
CLASSES OF P. S. NEW BRUNSWICK.						
GAL. FIVE—Gen. Synod.						
Bergen	\$205 95	\$158 84	\$3,687 62	\$2,217 63	\$271 31	\$174 82
South Bergen	304 17	197 86	2,992 91	2,255 58	283 63	208 26
Monmouth	71 27	52 72	1,162 68	1,338 49	96 97	40 18
Newark	243 63	159 80	6,586 43	5,816 41	296 61	321 06
New Brunswick	205 06	222 36	4,913 71	2,915 13	247 68	227 22
Palisades	187 70	278 90	4,505 16	2,132 62	110 56	105 36
Paramus	645 74	484 65	11,612	7,279 61	583 68	557 14
Passaic	129 53	107 23	4,896 40	1,970 91	101 40	172 15
Philadelphia	209 61	112 49	1,999 74	1,512 02	107 29	144 34
Raritan	204 34	204 92	4,212 11	3,115 61	215 19	197 88
Totals	\$2,407 00	\$1,979 77	\$46,568 76	\$30,554 01	\$2,314 32	\$2,145 41
P. S. of New York	2,130 49	1,463 95	60,343 45	42,882 26	3,429 44	2,341 04
P. S. of Albany	1,363 67	757 14	24,108 13	17,466 63	1,077 19	886 40
P. S. of Chicago	3,621 52	1,877 01	103,449 59	71,589 01	3,214 05	3,182 91
P. S. of New Brunswick	\$2,407	\$1,979 77	\$46,568 76	\$30,554 01	\$2,314 32	\$2,145 41
Grand Totals	\$9,522 68	\$6,077 87	\$234,469 93	\$162,491 81	\$10,035	\$8,558 76

STATEMENT OF CONTRIBUTIONS MADE BY VARIOUS
CHURCHES AND INDIVIDUALS TO THE CLASSICAL
BOARD OF BENEVOLENCE DURING THE YEAR
ENDING MARCH 25, 1919.

These sums were contributed for the support of students in
Hope College.

CLASSIS OF HOLLAND.

4th Ref. Church, Holland, Michigan.....	\$24 29
1st Ref. Church, Holland, Michigan.....	25 31
2nd Ref. Church, Zeeland, Michigan.....	32 25
Ref. Church, Ebenezer, Michigan.....	9 60
1st Ref. Church, Zeeland, Michigan.....	50 00
3rd Ref. Church, Holland, Michigan.....	28 50
1st Ref. Church, Hamilton, Michigan.....	32 00
2nd Ref. Church, Jamestown, Michigan.....	24 91
Ref. Church, South Blendon, Michigan.....	13 05
Calvary Ref. Church, Cleveland, Ohio.....	24 60
Ref. Church, Beaverdam	6 00
Ref. Church, Hudsonville, Michigan.....	2 80
Ref. Church, Vriesland, Michigan.....	10 00
Ref. Church, Overisal, Michigan	38 34
Trinity Ref. Church, Holland, Michigan.....	14 45
Ref. Church, North Holland, Michigan.....	28 40
North Blendon, Ref. Church, North Blendon	2 00
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	\$366 50

CLASSIS OF GRAND RIVER.

Classical Collections	\$40 53
8th Ref. Church, Grand Rapids	16 33
3rd Ref. Church, Grand Rapids, Mich.....	20 00
5th Ref. Church, Grand Rapids, Mich.....	35 00
1st Ref. Church, Portage, Mich.....	7 60
7th Ref. Church, Grand Rapids, Mich.	5 00
Ref. Church, Coopersville, Mich.	40 64
9th Ref. Church, Grand Rapids, Mich.....	14 00
Ref. Church, New Era, Mich.	8 00
1st Ref. Church, Muskegon, Mich.	21 00
Trinity Ref. Church, Grand Rapids, Mich....	4 00
1st Ref. Church, Kalamazoo, Mich.	15 00
4th Ref. Church, Grand Rapids, Mich.....	10 00
Ref. Church, Spring Lake, Michigan.....	24 75

1st Ref. Church, Detroit, Mich.	34 28
1st Ref. Church, Grand Haven, Mich.....	40 07
Ref. Church, Fremont, Michigan	19 66

 354 86

CLASSIS OF WISCONSIN.

Classical Collections, Wisconsin	\$39 50
1st Ref. Church, Waupun, Wis.	21 00
Alto Ref. Church, Wisconsin.....	71 03
Ref. Church, Hingham, Wis.	19 50
Ref. Church, Cedar Grove, Wis.	20 00
1st Ref. Church, Milwaukee, Wis.	25 00
Ref. Church, Greenleaf, Preston, Minn.....	26 19
Ref. Church, Oostburg, Wis.	10 00
Ref. Church, Baldwin, Wis.	25 80
Ref. Church, Gibbsville, Wis.	29 53
Ref. Church, Sheboygan, Wis.	6 52

 294 07

CLASSIS OF CHICAGO.

Ref. Church, DeMotte, Indiana	\$25 96
Ref. Church, Morrison, Ill.	19 35
1st Ref. Church, Roseland, Ill.	95 00
Ref. Church, Gano, Ill.	16 70
Classical Collection, Classis Chicago	30 77
West Side Ref. Church, Chicago, Ill.	5 00
1st Ref. Church, Englewood, Ill.	16 90
1st Ref. Church, Mt. Greenwood, Ill.	15 87

 225 55

CLASSIS OF MICHIGAN.

North Park Ref. Church, Kalamazoo, Mich...	\$13 45
Classical Collection, Classis of Michigan	12 95
2nd Ref. Church, Grand Rapids, Mich.....	15 70
Bethany Ref. Church, Kalamazoo, Mich.....	15 00
2nd Ref. Church, Kalamazoo, Mich.	10 00
2nd Ref. Church, Muskegon, Mich.	8 40
Bethany Ref. Church, Grand Rapids, Mich...	30 00
Bethel Ref. Church, Grand Rapids, Mich.....	2 40
Central Ref. Church, Grand Rapids, Mich....	29 56

 137 46

CLASSIS OF ILLINOIS.

Classical Collections	\$11 30	
Trinity Ref. Church, Chicago, Ill.	11 55	
Bethany Ref. Church, Chicago, Ill.....	19 71	
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CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER.

2nd Ref. Church, Marion, N. Y.....	\$13 13	
	<hr/>	13 13
Total receipts		\$1,434 13

BOARD OF BENEVOLENCES OF THE PLEASANT PRAIRIE
AND GERMANIA CLASSIS FROM APRIL 1, 1918, TO
MARCH 31, 1919.

PLEASANT PRAIRIE CLASSIS.

Baileyville	\$15 00	
Parkersburg	11 00	
Dumont	11 00	
Alexander	9 91	
Meservey	34 01	
Aplington	30 12	
Forreston	35 00	
Immanuel	45 00	
Zion	17 90	
Fairview	4 35	
Washington	25 76	
Silvercreek	34 35	
Wellsburg	15 00	
Ebenezer	20 00	
Stout	6 30	
	<hr/>	\$314 70

GERMANIA CLASSIS.

North Sibley	\$12 00
Salem	35 50
Cromwell Centre	10 00
Chancellor	10 00
Lennox	15 00

Scotland	15 00	
Dempster	15 00	
Bethania	20 00	
		<hr/> 132 50
Grand total	\$447 20	
	G. ZINDLER,	
	<i>Treasurer.</i>	

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS OF THE CLASSICAL BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE NORTHWEST
FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1918.

The following contributions have been received:

Alton, Ia.	\$21 78
Carmel, Ia.	78 00
Chandler, Minn.	8 00
Edgerton, Minn.	42 00
Holland, Nebr.	21 48
Hospers, Ia.	18 24
Hull, Ia., First	101 22
Lester, Ia.	15 86
Luctor, Kans.	5 84
Maurice, First	43 50
Matlock, Ia.	10 71
Middleburg, Ia.	89 48
Newkirk, Ia.	51 66
Orange City, Ia., First.....	91 24
Pella, Nebr.	18 50
Prairie View, Kans.	15 20
Rock Valley, Ia.	50 00
Sanborn, Ia.	5 97
Sandstone, Minn.	8 12
Sheldon, Ia.	15 00
Silver Creek, Minn.	18 30
Sioux Center, First	174 88
Sioux Center, Central	17 62
Steen, Minn.	48 12
Twin Brooks, S. D.	7 26
Volga, S. D.	6 03
Classis of Iowa	14 27
Part. Repaym. A. C. Kleinjan	25 00
Interest	38 78
Total	<hr/> \$1,062 06

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE NORTHWESTERN
CLASSICAL ACADEMY FROM APRIL 1, 1918, TO
MARCH 31, 1919.

CONTINGENT FUND.

Receipts.

Balance, April 1, 1918.....	\$2,155 92
Board of Education, R. C. A.....	1,200 00
Loan	1,000 00
Miscellaneous	6 50
Individual gifts	25 00
For street paving	1,265 00
Fees from students	1,196 00
Endowment Fund Interest	2,474 39
Donations from Churches:	
East Sioux Classis	1,739 35
West Sioux Classis	1,237 63
Dakota Classis	372 33
Cascades Classis	35 75
Total	<hr/> \$12,707 87

Expenditures.

Salaries:	
Janitor	\$530 00
Teachers	4,986 00
Light	16 86
Fuel	404 20
Library	110 00
Reading room	34 00
Postage	9 04
Repairs and Labor	336 70
Supplies	89 23
Printing	59 25
Contest and Commencement	21 00
Insurance	100 00
Paving of street	3,587 50
Loan and interest	1,033 75
Miscellaneous	92 27
Total	<hr/> \$12,707 87

APPORTIONMENT AND CONTRIBUTIONS FROM THE CHURCHES OF THE EAST SIOUX CLASSIS.

Churches	Apport'm't	Contributions				Average
		1915-16	1916-17	1917-18	1918-19	
Alton	\$200 00	\$133 08	\$85 75	\$206 25	\$92 50	\$129 39
Archer	15 00	5 00	7 00	14 00	22 63	12 16
Bigelow	2 00	6 50		16 42	5 08	6 50
Boyden	200 00	100 00		113 00	100 00	78 25
Firth					16 16	
Free Grace	200 00		85 50	76 25	102 75	66 12
Holland	150 00	71 66	73 32	26 88	58 20	57 51
Hospers	125 00	150 00	135 00	125 00	125 00	133 75
Ireton	5 00	8 10	17 58	9 13	2 10	9 25
Lester						
Luctor	15 00	10 85	5 86	7 22	5 84	7 44
Matlock					47 00	
Melvin						
Newkirk	250 00	401 38	434 75	101 25	290 00	306 84
Orange City, Ist..	600 00	683 92	603 24	690 98	739 63	679 44
Pella	30 00	14 04	14 34	11 72		10 02
Prairie View	45 00	9 15				2 28
Rock Rapids	5 00	10 00	5 54	6 00		5 38
Rotterdam	10 00	5 50	6 94	3 80	5 56	5 47
Sanborn	5 00		16 89		18 74	8 90
Sheldon	100 00	68 23	73 30	73 50	100 00	78 75
Sibley					8 16	
Sioux City	2 00					
Wichita	2 00	13 50				3 37
Totals.....	\$1,961 00	\$1,690 91	\$1,565 01	\$1,481 40	\$1,739 35	\$1,600 82

APPORTIONMENT AND CONTRIBUTIONS FROM THE CHURCHES OF THE WEST SIOUX CLASSIS.

Churches	Apport'm't	Contributions				Average
		1915-16	1916-17	1917-18	1918-19	
Alvord				\$5 00		\$1 25
Bethel (Leota) ..	\$70 00		\$70 88	30 00	\$95 00	48 97
Carmel	100 00	\$58 11	78 00	96 50	113 00	86 40
Chandler	5 00	5 00	5 00	7 00	7 00	6 00
Churchville	20 00	4 34	6 14		19 05	7 38
Clara City	2 00		13 00			3 25
Doon	10.00	5 18	10 79	8 70	9 33	8 50

Edgerton	30 00	26 10	28 10			13 55
Fairview						
Friesland and Sandstone ...	10 00	6 00	7 00			3 25
Fruitland Mesa ..						
Hull	250 00	264 50	247 90	271 50	269 50	263 35
Inwood	10 00		4 10	5 80		2 47
Maurice	200 00	400 70	48 32	180 50	197 00	206 63
Rock Valley	75 00	62 82	50 27	50 00		40 77
Roseland	20 00	9 35	24 93	17 52	14 19	16 49
Silver Creek	25 00	12 70	11 30	17 10		10 27
Sioux Center 1st.	400 00	614 72	440 50	524 60	493 31	518 38
Sioux Center Cen.	100 00	21 77	49 50	11 00		20 57
Spring Creek ...	5 00				15 00	3 75
Steen	10 00	8 00	20 38	21 50		12 47
Twin Brooks	2 00					
Valley Springs ..						
Volga	5 00	5 00	5 00		5 25	3 81

Totals..... \$1,349 00 \$1,504 29 \$1,121 11 \$1,246 72 \$1,237 63 \$1,277 51

CONTRIBUTIONS FROM CHURCHES OF OTHER CLASSES.

DAKOTA CLASSIS.

Grand View	\$7 00
Monroe	37 28
North Marion	25 98
Orange City, Amer.	219 50
Springfield	33 49
Westfield	49 08
Total	<hr/> \$372 33

CLASSIS OF THE CASCADES.

North Yakima	\$35 75
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ARTICLE XIX.

CHURCH GOVERNMENT.

General Synod's Committee on the Revision of the Constitution would respectfully report that at its last session General Synod instructed the Committee to elect a chairman in place of the late lamented Dr. Frederick R. Hutton, and to nominate new members to take the many places in its ranks made vacant by death.

In obedience to these instructions, the undersigned was elected Chairman, and the following are hereby nominated to be members of the Committee subject to the confirmation of Synod:

Elder George Tiffany,
Rev. James Boyd Hunter,
Rev. William J. Leggett,
Rev. James S. Kittell,
Rev. Henry J. Veldman.

No amendments were placed in the hands of the Committee for consideration at the last session of your body.

For the Committee,

J. PRESTON SEARLE.

Chairman.

The Report was adopted.

ARTICLE XX.

CUSTOMS AND USAGES.

THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE REFORMED
CHURCH PROGRESS CAMPAIGN.

The Report of the Committee on the Reformed Church Progress Campaign June, 1919, was referred to a special committee, who presented the Report to Synod as follows:

The Committee on the Reformed Church Progress Campaign herewith presents to the General Synod its first annual report. The Committee regrets that it was impossible during the year just closed to make a more extensive campaign throughout the Church, but it is to be remembered that the Progress Campaign had its inception at the meeting of the General Synod in 1918, and that after that meeting some weeks were necessary in planning for what has been accomplished, so that in effect a full calendar year is not represented in this report. Notwithstanding this difficulty, the Committee believes that a great deal has been accomplished in making known the objectives of the Movement to the Church.

The Executive Secretary, because of duties at Camp Lee, was unable to begin his work until December 1st, 1918, and in February, 1919, a change in the Treasurership of the Board of Foreign Missions led to overtures from that Board for part of his time in the supervision of the details of the Treasurer's office. He has therefore been able to give his whole time for but ten consecutive weeks to the interests of the Progress Campaign.

A great deal of the work of the Committee has been devoted to the planning and holding of conferences in various sections of the Church. Early in the fall of 1918, a number of representatives of the Committee made an extended tour in Iowa, Wisconsin, Illinois, Michigan and Ohio. Conferences were held at Orange City and Pella, Iowa; Fulton and Chicago, Illinois; Cedar Grove and Alto, Wisconsin; Grand Rapids, Holland, Muskegon and Kalamazoo, Michigan; and Cleveland, Ohio. These conferences were all well attended, and much interest in the objectives of the Campaign was demonstrated by the representatives of seventy-four churches who attended the meetings.

The arrival of the Executive Secretary in December marked the beginning of a wide campaign of publicity throughout the churches within the bounds of each one of the Particular Synods of Albany, New Brunswick and New York. Conferences were arranged and held at Red Bank, Jersey City, Hackensack, Paterson, Raritan, Philadelphia, New Brunswick, Mountain Lakes, and Newark, New Jersey; Saugerties, Kingston, Rochester, Syracuse, Walden, Albany, Chatham, Cohoes, Hudson, Yonkers, Staten Island and Flushing, New York. Some of these were large and enthusiastic, and most of them were representative of the churches within the bounds of the Classis in which the meeting was held. The result of this effort was that twenty-three conferences were held in twenty-one Classes within these three Particular Synods. A total of two hundred and fifty-one churches were reached.

To set before all these churches in these three Synods some definite points for achievement within the year, a letter went to every pastor outlining seven specific aims and urging his co-operation. As a result more than one hundred churches responded. Seventy-three pastors agreed to preach a sermon on the Progress Campaign; thirty-six appointed a special committee to push the campaign in their church; sixty-three agreed to make a survey of their congregation to discover suitable candidates for the ministry and mission field; fifty-four promised to organize a Teacher Training Class and thirty-four a Mission Study Class; thirty agreed to appoint a Men's Missionary Committee; and sixty-six began definite plans for the promotion of systematic and proportionate giving. Only three Classes were unrepresented in these returns. If these "co-operating churches" have

been true to their ideal it is safe to say that results of the campaign will be far-reaching. At the same time it is only reasonable to suppose that many other churches joined in the effort but failed to return the card.

Four thousand copies of "Ten Points of Progress for Reformed Churches" were printed and distributed through the Church. These were made the basis of sermons and prayer meeting talks, programs for young people's meetings and Women's Missionary Societies. Correspondence and addresses by the Secretary have been continued unceasingly.

It will thus appear that the brief period of beginning with the fall of 1918 and continuing up to the present, has been a time of seed-sowing. It is safe to say that almost every one of our churches has been brought into touch with the plans and purpose of the Progress Campaign.

Your Committee believes the time is now ripe for one great general advance along wider lines. At a December meeting of the Committee, the Boards of the Church were requested to make a full survey of their respective fields and draw up a comprehensive budget for the next five years, designed to cover the necessary expenditure to place the work of each Board on a thoroughly efficient basis, meeting all pressing opportunities. These reports were submitted to the Committee at its May meeting; and detailed statements regarding them appear in the reports of the several Boards submitted to General Synod. The Budgets of the Board of Publication and Bible School Work, the Board of Education, the Boards of Domestic Missions and the Boards of Foreign Missions, totalled over five million dollars for the period of five years. With strong faith and brave hearts your Committee believes that this financial goal should be the measure of our opportunity for service during the next five years, and, therefore, submits the following recommendations to this General Synod:

1. That the sum of Five Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars be fixed as the financial objective of the Progress Campaign for the next five years.

2. That the Budget of the Ministerial Pension Fund be also incorporated in this objective, the sum being added whenever the General Synod approves the plans of the Commission.

3. That beginning with November, 1919, there be inaugurated a Go-to-Church campaign, and that we also concentrate on a great Intercession Campaign, urging the establishment or re-establishment of the Family Altar in our homes, the assembling of the people in the mid-week meetings for seasons of special prayer and culminating in a pledged enrollment of the membership of our churches in a mighty Intercession movement.

4. That beginning with January there be inaugurated a Christian Stewardship Educational Campaign leading up to a Stewardship enrollment pledging a definite percentage of income for the administration of the affairs of the Kingdom of God.

5. That the month of March mark a united effort throughout our church for the securing of sufficient funds and pledges for the five-year Progress Campaign budget as outlined by the respective surveys—a drive for “The Whole Work of the Whole Church.”

6. That your Committee be given full authority to harmonize the plans outlined in sections 3, 4 and 5 with any similar plans which may be inaugurated by the Inter-Church World Movement.

7. That in order to insure a successful accomplishment of this great task, the organization of the Progress Campaign Committee be enlarged so as to include the following:

(1) An Executive Committee, a Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary-Treasurer, a paid Executive Secretary and the following departmental Committees: Publicity, Stewardship, Prayer, Minute Men. (2) A Synodical organization in each one of our Particular Synods consisting of a Chairman, a Synodical Executive Secretary who is to be a paid official, a small Committee of laymen and clergymen and a representative from each Classis known as a Classical Chairman. (3) A Classical organization consisting of the Classical Chairman and a Local Church Chairman from each Church within the Classis. The Classical Chairmen to be selected by the Executive Committee in conference with the Synodical Committee.

8. That the Permanent Clerk of General Synod be instructed to include in the per diem allowance of \$2.50 for delegates' entertainment an additional three-quarters of a day for all delegates attending the Pre-Synod Progress Campaign Conference.

E. J. BLEKKINK,
A. T. BROEK,
T. W. MUILENBURG,
J. R. KYLE,
A. L. SCHWAB.

The Report was adopted.

The Religious Exercises and Extra-Synodical Services were held, with little exception, as arranged in the program, by the Committee on Correspondence and Program, as follows:

THURSDAY EVENING.

The President of Synod presided.

The Synodical sermon was delivered by the retiring President, Rev. Prof. Evert J. Blekkink, D. D.

FRIDAY MORNING.

Devotional exercises, led by Rev. J. Howard Brinckerhof.

Address by Rev. Frank B. Seeley, on the subject, "Lessons for the Church from the War."

FRIDAY EVENING.

The Vice President presided.

Public meeting in the interest of the Educational Work of the Church, under the joint direction of the Board of Education and the Board of Publication and Bible School work.

Address by President W. H. S. Demarest, representing the Board of Education.

Address by Rev. Theodore F. Bayles representing the Board of Publication and Bible School Work.

Address by Rev. W. I. Chamberlain representing the Progress Campaign.

SATURDAY MORNING.

Devotional Exercises, led by Rev. Victor J. Blekkink.

Address by Rev. C. P. Ditmars, on the subject "Winning and Using the Returned Soldiers in the Church."

SUNDAY MORNING.

Pastor of the Asbury Park Church, Rev. G. M. Conover, presided.

Sermon by the President of the Synod. Sacramental Service, conducted by the Vice President, who read the Form for Administration.

SUNDAY EVENING.

Sermon by the Vice President of the Synod.

MONDAY MORNING.

Devotional Exercises, led by Rev. Thomas E. Welmers.

Address by Rev. H. J. Veldman, on the subject: "The Value of a League of Denominations."

MONDAY EVENING.

Public meeting in the interests of Foreign Missions.

Address by Rev. William Bancroft Hill.

Presentation of six missionaries under appointment, who responded with short addresses.

TUESDAY MORNING.

Devotional Exercises led by Rev. Geo. D. Hulst.

Address by Rev. Willard P. Soper, on the subject: "The Recognition of Christ as Universal King."

LADIES' DAY.

TUESDAY MORNING.

Through the joint action of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions and the Women's Board of Domestic Missions, union missionary services were held in the morning and afternoon in the First Presbyterian Church.

10.30 A. M. DOMESTIC MISSION SERVICE.

The President, Mrs. John S. Bussing, presiding.

Address: "My Indian Folk," by Miss Anna G. Berkenpas, Principal of the Winnebago Indian School and Field Worker.

Address: "A Recent Visit to the Kentucky Mountain Missions," by Mrs. Edward S. Ralston.

Address: "The West and Home Missions," by Mrs. John Luxen, formerly of Muskegon, Mich.

2.30 P. M. FOREIGN MISSION SERVICE.

Address by Mrs. J. W. Conklin.

Address by Miss Elsie Conklin, of India.

Address by Miss Norling, of China.

Address by Miss Nordhoff, of Japan.

The usual Women's Prayer Meetings were held on Friday, Saturday and Monday mornings.

TUESDAY EVENING.

Public meeting in the interests of Domestic Missions.

Address by Rev. Alfred Williams Anthony, D. D., Executive Secretary of the Home Mission Council. Subject: "The Whole Home Mission Task."

Address: "Our Share of the Task," by Mr. William T. Demarest, Office Secretary of the Board of Domestic Missions.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

Devotional Exercises led by the Vice President of the Synod, the subject: "Loyalty to the Services of the Church."

ARTICLE XXI.

PUBLIC MORALS.

REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC MORALS.

The Permanent Committee on Public Morals would respectfully report as follows: The reorganization of the previous Committees of General Synod dealing with public morals and reforms and the establishment of the present Committee on Public Morals as directed by the last General Synod has proved of great value to the advancement of the work committed to their charge and especially in that the Reformed Church has thus been brought into closer touch with other Churches and on an equal basis with them in their common work regarding public reforms.

The authorization, also, of an expense fund for the Committee at the rate of \$1 per Church, has resulted in the receipt of sufficient money to accomplish much more than has been hitherto done by similar Committees of our Church and the whole plan as adopted by the last General Synod has proven much more practicable than any method previously employed for these purposes.

On reporting the formation of this Permanent Committee on Public Morals to the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, the chairman of this Committee was appointed a member of the Council's Commission on Temperance and also of the Committee on Family Life and Weekly Rest Day. He attended the annual meeting of the Executive Committee of the Council at Atlantic City, N. J., in December, 1918, and represented the Public Morals Committee at the meetings of these Committees. He also addressed, by invitation, the 29th Anniversary Meeting of the Lord's Day Alliance of the United States at the Marble Collegiate Church on Nov. 11th, 1918, and has spoken a number of times in behalf of Temperance or Sabbath reforms before Societies or Churches. The Particular Synod of Albany, meeting at Syracuse on May 1st and the Particular Synod of New Brunswick meeting at New Brunswick on May 6th, were also visited and addressed by the Chairman of this Committee. Elder George Tiffany of the Committee visited and addressed the Particular Synod of New York at Kingston on May 6th, and the Rev. Mr. Veldman and Dr. Vennema presented this cause to the Particular Synod of Chicago meeting at Holland, Michigan, May 13th.

Besides these activities the Committee has succeeded in securing the appointment of a Classical Agent in the greater number of our Classes, although a few of these bodies have neglected or declined to appoint such an agent. These brethren have kept the topics of tem-

perance and Sabbath observance before the pastors and Churches of their Classis, have distributed communications from the Permanent Committee, have collected funds for the Committee's work and have otherwise greatly aided in advancing the interests of these reforms.

The Committee has in particular co-operated with the Lord's Day Alliance of the United States in its fight for the preservation of the Christian Sabbath,—convinced that no more important or imperative reform than this is required by the conditions of the present day. To this end it has, at different times, sent petitions and protests against anti-Sabbath as well as anti-Prohibition legislation by the legislatures of the various States in which our Church is situated, and has circularized the pastors and Churches in behalf of the Temperance and Sabbath reforms, and in other ways has tried to direct and strengthen the influence of our Church along these lines.

It has also secured the publication of a leaflet on Sabbath observance prepared by the Rev. Dr. J. Frederick Berg, pastor of the Flatbush Reformed Church of Brooklyn, and is about to issue a circular notice offering certain prizes for the best and next best paper on the general subject of "The Claims of the Christian Sabbath upon the Young People of our Day." These prizes are offered for competition to all students in our Reformed Church Colleges and Theological Seminaries and it is hoped to secure some valuable material on these subject from those of the rising generation who are most affected by the present widespread indifference to the proper observance of the Lord's Day.

In conclusion the Committee presents the accompanying balance sheet of the Treasurer and submits the following resolutions for the consideration of the General Synod:

1. That the General Synod approves of the work of the Permanent Committee on Public Morals and directs them to continue their efforts during the coming year.

2. That the General Synod requests all Classes that have not yet appointed a Classical agent to co-operate with the Committee on Public Morals to do so at their earliest opportunity and also approves of and requests the payment by Consistories or Classes of a yearly sum not to exceed one dollar per congregation for the work of Synod's Committee.

3. That the General Synod confirms the appointment of Elder Charles Lounsbury of Passaic, N. J., as a member of the Permanent Committee on Public Morals to serve during the unexpired term until June, 1920, of Dr. William Perry Watson, of Jersey City, N. J., resigned. It also reappoints Rev. Dr. Ame Vennema, Elder H. P. Schneeweiss and Elder Cornelius Dosker whose terms now expire, to succeed themselves for a further term of three years—or until June, 1922.

4. That the General Synod heartily endorses and commends the action of our Particular Synods in calling upon the pastors and people of our Churches to observe the third Sabbath of June, 1919. (June 15th) as a Day of Prayer and pastoral instruction for the better observance of the Lord's Day and for the lawful enforcement of the Prohibition Amendment to the Federal Constitution.

5. The General Synod especially and emphatically calls upon our Churches to resist by all lawful and proper means the growing secularization of the Lord's Day and all that makes more easy its non-observance by our various communities as a day of rest and worship. Especially do we urge those of our Churches which are situated in the smaller communities, in which their influence is still so powerful, to prevent, by every lawful means, the adoption of all local ordinances by which the operation of moving picture theatres and the public playing of baseball games for profit may be legalized under recently enacted State laws.

Lastly, the General Synod heartily approves of the principles and objects of the Lord's Day Alliance of the United States, and of the Anti-Saloon League of America and commends these organizations to the confidence, the support and the co-operation of all our Churches and people.

(Signed) A. DE W. MASON, *Chairman*,
H. P. SCHNEEWEISS, *Sec'y*,
CHARLES LOUNSBURY,
GEORGE TIFFANY.

The Report was adopted.

The Committee on Public Morals begs leave to make a supplementary report as follows:

Whereas, There has lately been made widespread and frequently successful efforts to secularize and commercialize the Lord's Day by the weakening or removal of civil restraints as to the observance of that day; therefore,

Resolved, That the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America again puts itself on record as strongly deprecating and disapproving the recent action by the Legislatures and Executives of several of our states, which has made more easy the non-observance of the Christian Sabbath; and calls upon all our citizens irrespective of race and creed to demand from the civil government a Day of Rest and Worship, to the glory of God and their own highest welfare.

Resolved, That we expressly call upon all our pastors and elders to zealously instruct and influence their people on the question of the

spiritual observance of the Lord's Day, and that both pastors, Consistories and people cast their whole influence as citizens as well as Christians against the foes of the Christian Sabbath, that this indispensable bulwark against public immorality, civic disorder and spiritual irreligion may be steadfastly maintained.

A. DEW. MASON,
GEORGE TIFFANY,
AME VENNEMA,
of the Committee.

The Supplementary Report was adopted.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TREASURER, MAY 31, 1918 TO MAY 31, 1919.

EXPENDITURE.

Typewriting*	\$3 63
Envelopes and Postage	90
Postage	1 60
Rubber Stamp	1 40
Circular letters to Senators	1 25
Postage on same	72
Expenses in September	3 98
One-half of Expense to Meeting of Federal Council at Atlantic City	15 00
Expenses to Synod of Albany at Syracuse, N. Y.....	21 42
Expenses to New Brunswick	1 25
Expenses to New York Synod at Kingston.....	7 38
Typewriting	2 00
Balance	117 28
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	\$177 81

RECEIPTS.

May 31—Balance	\$4 47
Mountain Lakes	1 00
Schraalenberg	1 00
Pompton Plains	1 00
Little Falls, N. J.....	1 00
Classis Michigan	10 00
Grand River	14 00
New York	25 00

New Brunswick	14 00
Greene	6 00
Orange	10 00
S. Long Island	20 00
Philmont	1 00
Classis N. Long Island	9 34
Orange	1 00
Pella	10 00
Linlithgo	1 00
Classis Paramus	32 00
Union Ref. Paterson	1 00
Pompton	1 00
Germantown	1 00
Classis So. Bergen	13 00

\$177 81

H. P. SCHNEEWEISS,
Treasurer.

The following Resolutions were offered by the Rev. W. D. Frost and were adopted by the Synod:

Whereas: The liquor forces of our nation secured the postponement of war-time prohibition until July 1 of this year, thereby wasting the resources of America, and hindering the prosecution of the war, at the time of greatest peril; and

Whereas: These same un-American powers of evil are now endeavoring to secure the repeal of the war-time prohibition act before it goes into effect, and thus flood the country with liquor during demobilization, and pave the way for nullification of the prohibition amendment; and

Whereas: President Wilson has been persuaded to urge the repeal insofar as it relates to the traffic in beer and wine; therefore, be it

Resolved, That this Synod of the Reformed Church in America does hereby earnestly petition the Congress of the United States, now in session, to retain the war-time prohibition act, and provide for its complete enforcement; and be it

Resolved, That we sincerely deprecate President Wilson's action in advising the repeal of the law; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be mailed by the Stated Clerk to each House of Congress, through the proper channels, and that they also be inscribed upon the minutes.

ARTICLE XXII.

STATE OF RELIGION AND STATISTICAL TABLES.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF RELIGION TO THE GENERAL SYNOD OF THE REFORMED CHURCH IN AMERICA.

June 7, 1919.

Your Committee on the State of Religion respectfully submits the following Report.

Four Particular Synods, with a fifth on the way, constitute the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America. The Synod of New York and the Synod of Albany are twins. They were born in the year 1800. In the annual statistical reports, instead of following the alphabetical order New York is given the precedence and we regard it as evidence of the primacy of birth.

I.

THE PARTICULAR SYNODS.

NEW YORK.

This Synod has under its care 165 churches, which is three less than last year; 1 minister less; 365 more families, 953 less communicants; a loss in the Sunday School of 1,311, and a gain of \$28,327 in contributions for all purposes.

A strange phenomenon appears in the fact, for which no explanation is given, that while there is a considerable gain in the number of families there is a decrease in membership. The most serious matter, however, is the loss in the Sunday School. The Report on the State of Religion comments on it as follows: "To your Committee no item is more alarming than the loss in the Sunday School enrollment. There is not the scintilla of evidence of progressive, soul seeking, Kingdom loving effort in these figures. When a Church with 600 members reports an average attendance of less than 200 and subnormal Sunday School enrollment, one is forced to the conviction that something is wrong."

This Report was favorably modified by nearly thirteen hundred through a belated statement; nevertheless the actual number 1311 is painfully large and it deserves further attention on the part of the Churches.

ALBANY.

This Synod has 144 churches under its care, one less than last year; five ministers less, forty-nine families more, and there was a loss in membership of 102; an increase in the Sunday School of 137. There is also a gain of \$27,978 in contributions for all purposes during the year.

The conspicuous item in the Report of the Synod of Albany is the large numbers that have been received in some of the churches on confession of faith and the few in others and in quite a number, none at all. It is not confined to the small and vacant churches. The Report also calls attention to the abnormally small number of infants baptized and raises the question as to whether the ordinance is fully appreciated. In this connection the need of catechetical instruction is emphasized.

CHICAGO.

This Synod, the third in order of time, organized in 1856, has 253 churches under its care, the same as last year; has five ministers less; 439 more families; 623 more members; a gain in the Sunday School of 227. The amount contributed for all purposes above that of last year is \$87,680.

This Synod has one problem that obtains but little in the Eastern Synods; namely, the language question, and which has been unusually acute during the year. Some churches have passed it successfully; others have suffered losses while still others are facing it.

The One Day Income Fund has met with favor and a large amount has been contributed. The Five Year Progress Campaign of the Church is generally regarded as a good one and is beginning to bear fruit in some of the churches.

The Church Papers are taken in larger numbers than ever before.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

This Synod was organized fifty years ago, 1869, and at the recent session, May 6th, at New Brunswick, N. J., the jubilee, with a suitable program, was celebrated. This Synod has under its care 165 churches, which is one less than last year; the number of ministers remains the same; 423 more families; 701 communicants less; 2,386 less in the Sunday Schools; raised for all purposes, \$4,136 less than last year.

The Report says: "The past year has been a remarkable one in many respects and has tended to test the faith, earnestness and stability of pastors and people alike. Unusual conditions have presented themselves and our churches have loyally faced these conditions to the praise of Almighty God."

While the Synod increased in the number of families, it list in membership. The Sabbath School enrollment was also greatly reduced. These losses are serious and in the Sunday School of this Synod they may be said to be alarming. No effort seems to have been made by the Synod to discover the cause. Where are the 2,386, out of a total of 39,492,—one out of sixteen?

II

THE GENERAL SYNOD.

A comparison of the grand totals of the statistical tables of this year with those of last year reveals the following facts:

The General Synod has 5 churches less than last year; one minister less; 876 families more; 494 less received on confession of faith; 410 less received on certificate; 269 less in full communion; 246 more adherents; 2,016 less on the absent list; 2,986 more on the inactive list; 49 less infants baptized; 207 less adults; 666 more of baptized non-communicants; 1,433 more of catechisms; 20 less Bible Schools; 4,090 less scholars enrolled in the Sunday Schools; \$60,772 more for denominational objects; \$74,455 more for other objects, and \$4,721 more for congregational purposes.

Although the reports of the Particular Synods have in a measure prepared us for it, nevertheless it comes with somewhat of a shock when the figures reveal the fact that the Church has hardly held its own, except in finance, if it has not actually fallen behind, not only of previous records, which as quite possible, (for every year is not equally fruitful), but that the loss in membership is greater than the gain. This falling off is comparatively slight, only 256, but large enough to cause us some concern. There may be exceptional years; possibly this is one of them, when conditions are abnormal, but no Church can be satisfied when statistics are against it in the line of addition. If she is in a healthy condition it must arouse her to greater activity and consecration. Her chief task is to bring sinners to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and an open confession of his name. Increase in numbers is essential to her future existence.

Another serious fact registered by the figures is the reduced enrollment in the Bible Schools and the loss in the number of schools. What has happened—twenty schools less and 4,090 less enrolled?

About one in thirty are missing. While this condition, as we have seen, is the most serious in the Synods of New Brunswick and New York, the gain in Albany and Chicago is so small that all boasting is excluded. Is it possible that our more energetic neighbors are getting away with our children? This ought not to continue.

The amounts contributed for denominational purposes, other objects, and congregational needs, are significant and a sign of a healthy religious life. In the face of extraordinary financial demands on account of the war, the churches gave \$60,772 more for denominational purposes, \$74,456 more for other objects, and \$4,721 more for congregational expenses. This is \$136,228 more than last year for benevolence—a deserving record indeed.

Another hopeful and encouraging fact from the statistics is the increase in the number of catechumens. For some time this need has been felt by many and emphasized in our Seminaries and from the pulpit. Evidently the Church is beginning to recognize the importance of religious education, the instruction of the youth in the fundamentals of the Christian faith, and is apparently moving in that direction.

At the end of this brief statistical survey we may feel somewhat depressed in spirit, in view of the loss in membership. Your Chairman confesses to such a state of mind. It is not a pleasant task to recount apparent defeats. It is, however, wise to look at conditions as they are. While an excellent financial record is not to be under-valued as an indication of the state of religion, it cannot compensate for the want of gains in membership. More than one reason can be given for the apparent stand-still. During eight months of this ecclesiastical year the World War, being at its height, was the all-absorbing subject of thought, feeling and effort, and the religious interest suffered. Many of our best workers, among young people especially, were in the camps, the trenches, and going "over the top." Much time, otherwise given to religion by those at home, was taken up with war work. Many of the ministers were away from their congregation. The influenza epidemic closed churches for a month, and longer in some places. For a while it put a stop to the religious activities of a public character, and at a time of the year when they are most fruitful. Many also died. The number of deaths among the members of the Church is a fourth larger than last year.

While statistics have their value, and their warnings must not be neglected, we will bear in mind that it is an incomplete running up of the religious life. In the language of one of the reports: "Our statistical table has no column for spiritual experience and growth in character, no symbol to represent mercy, compassion, brotherly love and philanthropy."

Some of us may be tempted to think, if not to say, that, however unsuccessful the Progress Program may have been in other respects, it has signally failed in the first item, the increase in Church membership. This would be a wrong conclusion. By themselves programs accomplish nothing, however excellent they may be. They are guides for work. The fact is that we have failed the program. It pointed us all year to a great and blessed obligation. The program faces us now as a lawful accuser. Let us thank God that at the end of the year, in this way, he brings us face to face with our shortcomings as stewards of His saving grace. If it were not for this sharp reminder we might go home from this Synod satisfied with our failure.

We have endeavored to face the facts. What of the future? The situation calls for thanksgiving, for humiliation and confession, for renewed consecration and prayer, for courage and determination. Christ was never defeated and through him we are more than conquerors.

As a denomination we possess a splendid equipment for service in the kingdom. We have over seven hundred houses of worship, and which are centers of religious life and activity.

Our denominational equipment, East and West—the church building in New York, the Church House in Holland, Rutgers College in New Jersey, Hope College in Michigan, Central College in Iowa, the New Brunswick and Western Theological Seminaries, a number of Academies in different states,—are all vital parts of a magnificent equipment for spiritual efficiency. And while church buildings, denominational houses, college halls, seminary lecture rooms, church papers, and progress programs have no power in themselves, nevertheless as instruments they are indispensable. God works through means, and these instruments He has placed at our disposal. There is, however, something more essential to success in the Lord's work than equipment—namely, the vital forces. In our communion there are over seven hundred ministers and one hundred and thirty-three thousand Church members, who are united in prayers and labors for the coming of the kingdom in their own hearts and lives, and that of their fellow men at home and to the ends of the earth. We have a highly trained ministry: consecrated to the work; able as preachers and conscientious in the performance of pastoral duties. They are backed by and equally devoted and intelligent laity and bound together by a brotherly spirit that is as strong as it is admirable.

The word of God is a living force. God has said, and experience has proved the statement: "My word shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing hereto I sent it." The men in the pulpit are preaching the unadulterated gospel of the love of God to man. If we were under

the necessity of choosing between a sour orthodoxy and a sweet hetrodoxy, we would prefer the latter, but true orthodoxy, the up-to-date orthodoxy, the orthodoxy of Jesus, is the grandest and the sweetest thing there is. The chief vitalizing force, however, is the Holy Spirit. He renews the nature and dwells in the soul. He is the author of the Scriptures, the illuminator and vitalizer of the truth. He is the *sine qua non* of religious effort. "Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit," saith the Lord of hosts." The Holy Spirit in the mind and heart of the Church is the assurance of ultimate triumph.

We are not alone. We are in vital touch with the labors in other communions. While the Church of God is divided we realize that, like the sea, it is chiefly on the surface and that deeper down there is wonderful unity. After all there is but "one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, and who is above all and through all and in you all." In our denominational life we feel the pulse-beat of the whole Church of God. We are an inseparable part of a great whole.

Like a mighty army
Moves the Church of God,
Brothers, we are treading
Where the Saints have trod;
We are not divided,
All one body we,
One in hope and doctrine,
One in charity.

EVART J. BLEKKINK.

STATISTICAL TABLES.

Abbreviations.

- A. P.—Assistant Pastor.
C. and P.—Correspondence and Program.
D. M.—Domestic Missions.
D. M. F.—Disabled Ministers' Fund.
E.—Education.
F. M.—Foreign Missions.
Jr. P.—Junior Pastor.
N. B. S.—New Brunswick Theological Seminary.
P. and B. S. W.—Publication and Bible-School Work.
P. E.—Pastor Elect.
P. Em.—Pastor Emeritus.
P. M.—Public Morals.
P. S. A.—Particular Synod of Albany.
P. S. C.—Particular Synod of Chicago.
P. S. N. B.—Particular Synod of New Brunswick.
P. S. N. Y.—Particular Synod of New York.
S. B.—Systematic Beneficence.
S. C.—Stated Clerk.
S. M.—Senior Minister.
S. S.—Stated Supply.
Treas.—Treasurer.
W. F.—Widows' Fund.
W. I. M.—Winnebago Indian Mission.
W. T. S.—Western Theological Seminary.

CLASSIS OF ALBANY.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	No. of Church Families.	COMMUNICANTS.				OTHERS ENROLLED.			BAPTISMS.			C. C. & B. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.		
			On Confes- sion.	On Certifi- cate.	Losses.		Total Number of Communicants.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Inactive List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non- (Communicants).	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enroll- ment.	For Denomina- tional Purposes.	For Other Objects.		For Correpara- tional Purposes.	
					On Dismissal.	By Death.															
																					By Dismissal.	By Death.
First, Albany	James S. Kittell	368	1	2	4	7	677	16	24	13	1	1	1	1	388	\$3,596	\$1,890	\$13,555.94	Elk St., Albany.		
Madison Avenue, Albany	J. Addison Jones	311	1	1	2	4	17	550	32	19	44	4	1	1	10	2	378	6,597	1,639	11,307.315	Madison Av., Albany.
Third, Albany	Andrew Hansen	170	1	1	10	9	4	297	19	44	10	1	1	1	10	1	317	197	197	5,940.18	Ten Eyck Av., Albany.
Fourth, Albany	Frederick Mueller	70	3	3	3	3	5	160	14	12	30	5	5	1	10	1	90	290	190	2,714.32	Magnolia Ter., Albany.
Fifth, Albany	Henry C. Jacobs	80	5	1	6	3	4	190	48	20	35	7	7	1	40	1	127	530	119	2,639.151	Jay St., Albany.
Sixth, Albany	Frank F. Blessing	140	13	24	9	1	4	270	12	15	12	5	1	1	90	1	345	420	150	4,127.170	N. Allen St., Albany.
First, Bethlehem	Vacant	118	22	3	5	3	3	206	163	76	10	11	48	1	1	1	371	419	224	5,153	Seckirk, N. Y.
Second, Berne	Supplied	31	2	2	3	3	3	64	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19	15	15	459	Knox, N. Y.
Clarksville	Donald Boyce, S. S.	32	1	4	1	3	2	54	.....	.....	.....	1	1	1	1	1	35	15	15	471	Westerlo, N. Y.
Coeymans	Henry T. Jones	65	1	1	3	3	119	60	20	5	1	22	5	1	54	1	150	78	78	2,700	Coeymans, N. Y.
Delmar	Jacob Van Ess	125	4	5	5	3	212	25	80	20	13	50	5	1	236	1	425	37	37	2,637	Delmar, N. Y.
Jerusalem	Joseph Millett	75	3	3	3	3	1	105	27	16	10	10	4	1	75	1	57	1	1	1,437	Peura Bush, N. Y.
Knox	Supplied	35	9	3	3	3	3	73	12	8	12	11	4	1	80	1	80	43	13	390	Knox, N. Y.
New Baltimore	Howard Kanter	80	6	6	6	1	4	137	35	15	10	5	20	1	1	1	87	293	141	1,838	New Baltimore, N. Y.
New Salem	Vacant	44	.....	.....	3	.....	38	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	35	25	5	768	Voorheesville, N. Y.
Onesquehaw	Joseph Millett	32	.....	.....	1	.....	63	15	22	3	3	2	3	1	1	1	45	47	54	745	Peura Bush, N. Y.
Union	Jacob Van Ess, S. S.	50	2	2	2	2	75	28	19	.....	.....	1	2	7	.....	.....	76	70	2	1,365	Delmar, N. Y.
Westerlo	Donald Boyce	51	2	2	2	2	66	356	294	203	292	89	38	241	65	19	2779	\$13,115	\$4,686	\$58,222	Westerlo, N. Y.
Total		1877	72	61	48	1	66	3561	294	203	292	89	38	241	65	19	2779	\$13,115	\$4,686	\$58,222	

Other Ministers—J. P. Bryant, Schenectady, N. Y.; F. V. W. Lehman, Delmar, N. Y.; Charles Maar, Albany, N. Y.; B. J. Hotaling, Syracuse, N. Y.

Classical Agents—F. M., J. Addison Jones; D. M., J. S. Kittell; E., Jacob Van Ess; D. M. F. and W. F., F. F. Blessing; P. and B. S. W., Howard Kanter.

Stated Clerk and Treasurer—Henry C. Jacobs, 151 Jay St., Albany, N. Y.

*\$3,000.00 for new barn on church farm.

CLASSIS OF BERGEN.—P. S. N. B.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.					OTHERS ENROLLED.		BAPTISMS.			C. C. & B. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.			
		No. of Church Families.	On Con- fession.	On Certi- fication.	Gains.		Losses.	Total Number of Communicants.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Inactive List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non- Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enroll- ment.		For Denomi- tional Purposes.	For Other Objects.	For Congrega- tional Purposes.
					By Dismiss- sal.	By Disci- pline.																By Death.
First, Hackensack	Albert von Schlieder	226	11	10	4	6	7	366	167	65	...	11	5	...	...	1	450	\$2,194	\$838	\$6,189	Hackensack, N. J.
Schraalenburg	J. C. Spring	129	4	7	12	6	4	175	50	32	...	13	2	25	...	1	247	421	1,000	3,557	Dumont, N. J.
English Neighborhood	*Vacant	189	4	7	12	6	2	86	24	...	...	13	2	...	...	1	128	107	49	1,871	Ridgely, N. J.
Second, Hackensack	Arthur Johnson	260	28	12	12	...	10	486	250	150	...	8	14	63	23	12	400	1,534	528	9,717	Hackensack, N. J.
Third, Hackensack	August Weber	90	2	2	...	...	5	100	20	10	65	15	...	...	...	64	32	...	5	992	Hackensack, N. J.
Closter	Owille J. Hogan	99	1	1	3	...	1	94	42	21	14	2	...	...	3	242	344	...	78	1,858	Closter, N. J.
North Hackensack	William J. H. Miller	48	1	...	3	...	1	98	53	26	...	2	...	...	...	1	292	322	47	2,414	North Hackensack, N. J.
Spring Valley	*Vacant	15	...	...	...	...	...	24	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	1	35	14	6	219	Spring Valley, N. J.
Westwood	E. Ward Decker	160	11	8	3	...	9	307	35	62	...	2	5	...	...	1	300	891	628	4,342	Westwood, N. J.
Oradell	Edgar I. McCully	85	4	3	5	...	1	155	33	...	15	2	3	1	...	1	267	912	165	3,573	Oradell, N. J.
Hasbrouck Heights	P. T. Pockman	92	11	15	10	...	2	169	30	...	...	12	...	...	...	1	241	265	189	5,551	Hasbrouck Heights, N. J.
Highwood	Supplied	32	4	...	...	...	...	42	14	8	...	6	...	...	...	1	130	61	16	625	Cresskill, N. J.
Rochelle Park	*Vacant	45	...	4	...	...	...	52	30	17	...	1	...	...	...	1	135	51	23	873	Rochelle Park, N. J.
Rogert Memorial	Walter Adams	110	9	9	3	...	2	230	25	25	11	11	...	...	...	1	412	300	145	15,678	Bogota, N. J.
Harrington Park	Thomas Adams	45	18	3	...	...	3	96	30	14	...	4	5	...	...	12	81	286	62	1,584	Harrington Park, N. J.
Italian, Hackensack	Giuseppe Torizzo	30	3	1	...	...	...	45	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	60	10	25	217	Hackensack, N. J.
Total		1637	97	75	61	...	46	2,516	711	511	131	99	35	88	46	16	3477	\$7,686	\$3,816	\$49,224	

Other Ministers—James H. Ballagh, Yokohama, Japan; John Justin, Weehawken, N. J.; John C. Gardner, Englewood, N. J.; Marcus J. Reop, Middletown, N. Y.; A. A. Ransom, M. D., Layton, N. J.; John Bombin, Hackensack, N. J.; T. R. Westervelt, Hackensack, N. J.; J. Clements Edison, Brooklyn, N. Y.; John T. E. DeWitt, Oradell, N. J.; Jas. E. Graham, River Edge, N. J.; Charles W. Gulick, Camp Mills. *Classical Agents*—F. M., Edgar J. McCully; D. M., P. T. Pockman; P. and B. S. W., Thos. Adams. *Stated Clerk and Treasurer*—E. Ward Decker, Westwood, N. J. †\$1,700 for church completion fund. *Last year's report.

SOUTH CLASSIS OF BERGEN—P. S. N. B.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	No. of Church Families.	COMMUNICANTS.					OTHERS ENROLLED.		BAPTISMS.				C. C. & B. S.		CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.	
			On Confes- sion.	On Certifi- cate.	Gains.	Losses.	Total Number of Communicants.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Inactive List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non-Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enroll- ment.	For Denomina- tional Purposes.	For Other Objects.		For Congrega- tional Purposes.

Bergen, Jersey City.....	Willard P. Soper.....	402	46	26	23	9	662	370	14	10	2	434	\$2,294	\$1,219	\$15,239	797 Bergen Ave., J. C.
First, Bayonne.....	Cornelius Brett, P. Em.	380	6	.....	7	.....	3	456	140	.....	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	523	773	287	6,412 763 Ave. C. Bayonne N. J.
First, Van Vorst, J. City.....	W. Reese Hart.....	135	6	2	2	.....	1	214	20	35	20	3	.....	.....	.....	1	100	588	428	3,197 367 Montgomery St., J. C.
Park, Jersey City.....	C. Alex. Terhune.....	78	30	5	3	.....	3	131	20	35	2	5	.....	.....	.....	1	75	53	54	1,375 289 Pavonia Ave., J. C.
Fifth Street, Bayonne.....	Ferdinand S. Wilson.....	214	17	14	10	.....	10	383	40	73	27	13	1	90	.....	1	412	1,108	711	6,279 111 W. Fifth St., Bayonne.
2nd, Hudson City.....	August F. Bender.....	380	29	4	9	.....	14	500	300	100	50	78	11	200	21	1	562	174	356	10,809 14 Sherman Pl., J. City.
Lafayette, Jersey City.....	Harry W. Noble.....	239	36	2	3	.....	5	285	50	101	78	17	6	80	.....	1	300	721	428	7,174 278 Pacific Ave., J. City.
Greenville, Jersey City.....	E. M. Duck.....	240	8	.....	9	.....	3	236	73	.....	6	2	.....	.....	.....	1	248	123	171	*7,126 177 Winfield Ave., J. City.
Third, Bayonne.....	Hubert L. Franzen.....	86	7	.....	5	.....	7	127	20	.....	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	79	40	8	1,352 15 W. 25th St., Bayonne.
First, Ger. Evan, J. C.....	George C. Mueller.....	102	8	.....	4	.....	5	135	35	24	50	18	.....	50	9	1	90	112	63	2,093 457 Jersey Ave., J. City.
St. John's Ger., J. City.....	Gottlieb Andrae.....	460	20	1	8	.....	11	460	160	60	68	.....	100	25	3	400	40	275	3,390 18 Fairview Ave., J. City.	
Faith, Jersey City.....	Supplied.....	93	23	3	11	.....	2	191	20	36	7	10	3	70	12	1	350	524	55	3,131 228 Wegman Park av. J. C.
West Side, Jersey City.....	Supplied by Student.....	736	.....	4	4	.....	.....	57	14	6	24	.....	1	112	.....	1	112	.....	1,929	.....
Total.....	.....	2865	236	61	98	.....	73	3897	762	945	316	246	38	630	74	16	3685	\$6,522	\$1,065	\$89,225

Other Ministers—Abram Duryee, 25 E. 22nd St., New York; John H. Blue, Terhune, Toronto, Can.

Classical Agents—F. M., F. S. Wilson; D. M., W. R. Hart; E., H. W. Noble; D. M. F. and W. F., Elder H. Kern; P. and B. S. W., C. A. Terhune.

Stated Clerk and Treasurer—James Boyd Hunter, 228 Wegman Parkway, Jersey City.

*\$3,000 on mortgage. †Last year's report.

CLASSIS OF THE CASCADES.—P. S. C.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	No. of Church Families.	COMMUNICANTS.					OTHERS ENROLLED.		BAPTISMS.			C. C. & E. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.				P. O. ADDRESS.	
			Gains.		Losses.		Total Number of Communicants.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Inactive List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non-Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enroll-ment.	For Denomina-tional Purposes.	For Other Objects.	For Congrega-tional Purposes.		
			On Confes-sion.	On Certifi-cate.	By Dismissal.	By Discipline.															By Death.
Hope	Vacant	19	7	...	1	...	29	3	...	...	5	...	21	...	1	40	\$24	\$321	\$158	Big Timber, Mont.
Lynden	H. K. Pasma	68	2	2	1	...	138	31	...	...	9	...	108	62	1	70	349	\$75	1,863	Lynden, Wash.
Manhattan	Vacant	19	7	1	1	...	35	10	6	...	7	...	41	...	...	...	163	34	325	Manhattan, Montana.
Monarch	Vacant	26	3	1	3	...	40	...	3	...	2	...	87	40	1	22	181	116	1,008	Monarch, Alberta, Can.	
Montana, First	Wm. Duven	42	...	...	...	...	73	13	...	...	8	...	66	30	1	70	200	146	1,286	Conrad, Montana.
New Holland	Vacant	23	2	3	...	...	52	10	5	...	7	...	100	65	1	151	210	...	722	Alderson, Alberta, Can.
North Yakima	B. Van Heuvelen	54	2	7	2	...	108	20	5	...	5	...	...	...	...	60	389	185	1,878	N. Yakima, Wash., R. 1.
Oak Harbor	Vacant	34	...	...	1	...	59	12	7	...	9	...	...	40	1	24	80	...	2,066	Oak Harbor, Wash.
Seattle, Immanuel	Vacant	11	7	11	...	...	19	27	1	...	2	...	13	...	...	...	165	...	739	Seattle, Wash.
Mission, San Francisco	Vacant .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	75	...	25	Berkeley, Cal.
Mission, Spokane, Wash. A. Klerk	Mission, Spokane, Wash. A. Klerk .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	136	...	136	Spokane, Wash.
Mission, Portland	Vacant .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	15	...	...	Berkeley, Cal.
Total	289	29	25	7	...	5	551	126	27	...	50	...	519	271	8	507	\$2,693	\$854	\$10,005	...

Classical Agents—E., B. Van Heuvelen; D. M., H. K. Pasma; P. and B. S. W., Wm. Duven; D. M. F. and W. F. _____.

*Last year's report.

CLASSIS OF CHICAGO.—P. S. C.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.					OTHERS ENROLLED.			BAPTISMS.			C. C. & E. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.			
		No. of Church Families.	On Confes- sion.	On Certifi- cate.	Losses.			Total Number of Communicants	Adherents.	Absent List.	Inactive List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non-Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enroll- ment.	For Denomina- tional Purposes.		For Other Objects.	For Congrega- tional Purposes.	
					Gains.	By Dismiss- sal.	By Disci- pline.															By Death.
Chicago, First	M. E. Brookstra.....	158	16	3	6	.....	.....	3	141	.....	3	8	285	161	1	1	230	\$1,100	\$310	\$4,750	1537 Hastings St., Chic'o.
Chicago, First Englewo'd	J. M. Lumkes.....	220	18	8	14	.....	.....	11	325	15	12	28	4	400	175	1	290	900	555	6,400	848 W. 62d St., Chicago.
Chicago, Gano	Vacant	106	8	4	2	.....	.....	5	231	8	9	13	21	255	80	1	290	403	408	3,273	11623 Perry Av., Chicago.
Chicago, First Heemstra	John F. Heemstra.....	367	31	10	38	1	.....	16	813	26	.....	38	3	805	294	1	667	5,706	1,618	10,350	24 E. 107th St., Chicago.
Chicago, Summit	Josias Meulendyke	35	7	4	2	.....	.....	1	79	9	.....	3	.....	92	65	1	94	293	127	1,333	Chicago Lawn, Chicago.
Chicago, West Side	H. J. Pietsenpol.....	81	20	10	6	.....	.....	4	182	24	.....	5	1	187	76	1	213	1,159	179	3,512	1323 S. 60th Ave., Cicero.
Danforth	Lawrence Dykstra.....	48	8	2	.....	.....	.....	3	130	4	3	6	.....	94	65	1	100	282	15	1,580	Danforth, Ill.
De Motte	A. Oosterhof.....	100	31	10	6	.....	.....	2	295	10	.....	23	6	204	111	1	106	1,062	97	1,845	Thayer, Ind., R. R. 1.
Fulton, First	Wm. Van Vliet.....	310	2	18	6	.....	.....	5	332	.....	.....	32	.....	870	215	1	255	1,033	679	5,615	Fulton, Ill.
Fulton, Second	Vacant	67	3	9	4	.....	.....	3	128	40	5	8	.....	168	130	1	210	917	133	4,385	Fulton, Ill.
Indianapolis	Vacant	18	.....	7	4	.....	.....	2	29	6	2	9	5	40	27	1	49	113	98	590	Indianapolis, Ind.
Lafayette	J. J. Althuis.....	63	16	1	2	.....	.....	6	130	15	.....	10	1	169	85	1	115	290	97	2,075	Lafayette, Ind.
Lansing	W. J. Duiker.....	110	8	12	28	1	210	10	8	4	14	1	280	125	1	251	1,297	73	2,985	Lansing, Ill.
Morrison	Jean A. Vis.....	160	12	6	13	.....	.....	7	260	75	.....	20	1	400	180	1	250	1,336	96	2,164	Morrison, Ill.
Mt. Greenwood	Fred Zandstra	95	12	15	7	.....	.....	4	176	45	.....	19	1	215	125	1	210	1,670	69	3,904	Blue Is., Ill., R. R. 1.
Newton, Zion	Vacant	53	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	60	67	1	4	13	197	70	1	114	523	56	2,092	Penton, Ill., R. R. 1.
South Holland	T. W. Muijenburg.....	250	2	16	10	.....	.....	4	428	80	5	3	20	497	341	1	400	3,237	497	3,895	South Holland, Ill.
Ustick, Spring Valley	R. J. Wynveen.....	26	2	5	6	.....	.....	1	50	10	1	2	4	127	50	1	50	160	51	1,294	Fulton Ill., R. R. 1.
Wichit	Jas. Van der Heide.....	53	12	5	17	4	105	13	7	17	8	1	133	76	1	133	413	79	1,452	St. Anne, Ill., R. R. 4.
Total		2330	213	145	168	1	83	414	632	79	50	276	23	588	2451	19	4001	\$20,904	\$5,437	\$73,464		

Other Ministers—John Van Ess, Busrah, Persian Gulf.

Classical Agents—E. Jean A. Vis; D. M., Jas. Van der Heide; F. M., J. Meulendyke; D. M. F. and W. F., W. J. Duiker; P. and B. S. W.,

F. Zandstra; P. M. B. J. Wynveen.

Stated Clerk and Treasurer—H. J. Pietsenpol, 1323 So. 60th St., Cicero, Ill.

CLASSIS OF DAKOTA.—P. S. C.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	No. of Church Families.	COMMUNICANTS.				OTHERS ENROLLED.		BAPTISMS.			C. C. & B. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.						
			Gains.		Losses.		Total Number of Communicants.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Inactive List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non-Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enroll-ment.	For Denomina-tional Purposes.	For Other Objects.	For Congrega-tional Purposes.		
			On Confes-sion.	On Certifi-cate.	By Dismissal.	By Discl-pline.														By Death.	
Aurora	B. D. Dykstra	27	4	5	2	...	...	55	25	6	...	5	...	82	...	...	60	\$226	\$69	\$249 M. Sterk, Stickney, S. D.
Bemis	John D. Grul	13	7	2	2	...	...	29	44	...	...	8	...	78	...	...	35	85	82	250 ¹ Bemis, S. D.
Castlewood	Anthony Rozendal	34	4	3	4	...	...	68	44	...	...	1	...	78	...	...	40	406	17	285 ² Castlewood, S. D.
Charles Mix	A. Van Dyk	28	1	2	...	...	...	54	12	7	...	2	...	67	...	...	35	468	75	1086 ³ Platte, S. D.
Corsica	H. M. Petterson	29	1	...	...	...	...	59	20	6	...	3	...	50	...	...	40	201	36	1173 ⁴ Corsica, S. D.
Dover	Vacant	14	2	...	...	...	...	17	3	...	...	3	...	41	...	...	51	129	...	1153 ⁵ E. M. Hook, D. Wimbeldon.
Grand View	L. H. Benes	29	2	...	...	...	...	60	20	...	...	14	...	135	...	...	66	192	50	1110 ⁶ Armour, S. D.
Harrison	John De Beer	76	3	...	...	...	...	124	...	...	...	13	...	194	...	...	123	1,526	342	2131 ⁷ Harrison, S. D.
Hull, American Ref.	Vacant	11	3	...	...	...	...	2	12	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	110	83	5	1053 ⁸ H. J. Hulbregts, Hull.
Lake View	Classical Missionary	9	...	...	...	...	...	21	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	95	...	...	97 ⁹ S. Schryvers, C. L. V. W.
Litchville	Vacant	24	...	...	...	...	...	47	17	...	...	3	...	74	...	...	73	113	50	1899 ¹⁰ E. Boom, Litchville.
Maurice, Amer. Ref'd.	Vacant	23	3	...	...	...	...	69	11	10	...	2	...	70	...	...	85	228	38	482 ¹¹ J. E. Meigs, Maurice.
Monroe, Suntham Mem.	John A. Roggen	44	10	2	6	...	...	102	16	5	2	4	...	139	...	...	156	1,618	255	2897 ¹² Monroe, S. D.
North Marion	John W. Brink	83	7	...	...	...	...	82	6	...	...	3	...	162	...	...	139	3,857	448	2918 ¹³ Marion, N. D.
Orange City, Amer. Ref.	David McGowan	183	18	9	...	...	...	5	390	...	...	17	...	110	...	...	118	3,857	448	2918 ¹⁴ Orange City, S. D.
Springfield	John H. Tietema	72	5	5	3	...	...	3	163	7	...	13	...	177	...	...	118	1,636	900	2944 ¹⁵ Springfield, S. D.
Strasburg	Vacant	45	1	2	...	...	...	30	26	...	...	3	...	35	...	...	40	215	145	697 ¹⁶ J. Haverman, Strasburg.
Tyndall	Classical Missionary	12	...	...	...	...	...	1	28	...	...	6	...	222	...	...	160	42,288	182	2339 ¹⁷ G. T. Leek, Tyndall.
Westfield	John D. Dykstra	92	6	7	2	161	35	46	19	99	...	41570	20	1608	\$14,472	\$2,894	2339 ¹⁸ Westfield, N. D.
Total	788	71	49	61	271483	315	46	19	99	...	41570	20	1608	\$14,472	\$2,894	2339 ¹⁹

Other Ministers—B. D. Dykstra, Classical Missionary, Platte, So. Dak.; S. J. Harmeling, Emeritus, Vashon, Wash.; John C. Van Wyk, Missionary, India.

Classical Agents—F. M., John A. Roggen; D. M., H. M. Petterson; E., B. D. Dykstra; D. M. F. and W. F., Elder P. J. deKruif, Orange City, Ia.; P. and B. S. W., J. H. Tietema; P. M., Elder P. Van Peursem, Maurice, Iowa.

Stated Clerk and Treasurer—John A. Roggen, Monroe, So. Dakota.

*Last year's report.

†Contains \$900 loaned money paid back.

CLASSIS OF GERMANIA.—P. S. C.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	No. of Church Families.	COMMUNICANTS.					OTHERS ENROLLED.			BAPTISMS.			C. C. & B. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.	
			On Confes- sion.	On Certifi- cate.	Losses.			Total Number of Communicants.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Inactive List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non-Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enroll- ment.	For Denomina- tional Purposes.	For Other Objects.		For Conference- tional Purposes.
					By Dismiss- sal.	By Discl- pline.	By Death.														
Baker	Vacant	123			4	2	64	220			17	256	25	25	1	91	\$435	\$414	\$1,900	Melvin, Iowa.	
Bethany	C. Bauer	12				1	30	49	24	13	7	7	35	1	1	119	636	18	290	Clara City, Minn.	
Bethel	Vacant	40	4			1	50	66	13	5	4	61	35	1	1	553	980	116	1,451	Ellsworth, Minn.	
Chancellor	H. Achtermann	41	2	1			49	26	5		6	6	11	1	1	70	229	175	2,261	Everly, Iowa.	
Cromwell Center	J. M. De Vries	30	4	1			27	24			4	1	10	1	1	70	55	487	1,748	Davis, S. D.	
Davis	H. W. Hortsch	22	1				39	30			12	100	35	1	1	65	902	290	513	Lennox, S. D.	
Delaware	Vacant	31	1				15	75		1	3	3	100	35	1	26	17	29	717	Lennox, S. D.	
Dempster	Vacant	13					33	125			5	4	100	35	1	50	220	153	1,370	Herman, Minn.	
Herman	O. G. Poppen	40	4			1	97	70	4		5	4	141	51	1	72	1,020	35	2,461	George, Iowa.	
Hope	H. Huenemann	73	11			3	39	44			5	5	131	51	1	90	505	813	2,461	Dell Rapids, S. D.	
Logan	P. De Buhr	31	5	1			65	80	6		10	84	28	1	1	109	210	389	1,620	Dell Rapids, S. D.	
Monroe	E. F. Koerlin	58				2	27	95			4	60	192	28	1	130	200	389	2,005	Monroe, S. D.	
North Sibley	Vacant	26				1	97	15			4	60	192	28	1	130	200	389	543	Sibley, Iowa.	
Salem	E. Aeltis	85	1			3	71	95	1	1	3	165	64	1	1	148	429	170	1,678	Little Rock, Iowa.	
Scotland	J. B. Frerichs	21					67	15			6	71	23	1		52	238	175	654	Scotland, S. D.	
Sibley	Vacant	21					20	15	4	3		16	71	23	1		122	8	225	Sibley, Iowa.	
Total		672	33	7	15	8	687	943	41	20	87	5,148	273	13	1048		\$6,876	\$3,484	\$19,350		

Other Ministers—Rev. G. Kramer, Classical Missionary, Sibley Iowa ; Rev. L. Ziegler, Pastor Emeritus, Ellendale, North Dakota.
 Classical Agents—F. M., G. Kramer ; D. M., E. F. Koerlin ; E., H. W. Hortsch ; P. and B. S. W., E. Aeltis.
 Stated Clerk and Treasurer—H. Huenemann, Lennox, South Dakota.

CLASSIS OF GRAND RIVER.—P. S. C.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.						OTHERS ENROLLED.		BAPTISMS.				C. C. & B. S.		CONTRIBUTIONS.		P. O. ADDRESS.		
		No. of Church Families.	On Confes- sion.	On Certifi- cation.	Gains.			Adherents.	Absent List.	Inactive List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non- Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enroll- ment.	For Denomina- tional Purposes.		For Other Objects.	For (or) Fraternal Purposes.
					On Dismiss- sal.	By Disci- pline.	By Death.													
Ada	Robert W. Douma	21	14	2			1	40	4	4	5	40	28	1	40	\$84	.....	\$518 Ada, Mich., R. R. 4.	
Atwood	John Webinga	35		1				72	24		6		45	1	39	93	.....	1,000 Central Lake, Mich.	
Beverly	A. J. Van den Heuvel	33	7	4				70	15	2	4	64	57	1	90	141	52	S. G. Rapids, Mich., R. R. 1.		
Byron Center	Harry Van Egmond	58	5	10				115	17	5	10	140	75	1	120	409	.....	1,466 Byron Center, Mich.	
Coopersville	H. Hoffa	135	8	7				300	4	10	15	249	160	1	400	1,790	321	2,508 Coopersville, Mich.		
Decatur	Vacant	23	2	2				42			6	4	22	1	23	90	58	1,135 Decatur, Mich.		
Detroit	J. G. Brouwer	107	10	8			7	230	10	6	16	215	69	2	215	937	146	5,671 584 Tower'd Av., De't. M.		
Falmouth	Vacant	13						25			9	43		1	25	31	.....	171 Falmouth, Mich.	
Fremont	John Van Westenburgh	75	13	12			3	151	32	5	10	122	78	1	145	540	180	1,811 Fremont, Mich.		
Grand Haven, First	Henry Schipper	248	6	14			7	454	213	8	19	345	175	1	515	2,783	231	5,053 Grand Haven, Mich.		
Grand Rapids, Third	Nicholas Boer	213		3			7	416	10	4	18	434	150	1	385	2,721	362	7,442 1037 Herin'ge St., G. Rapids.		
Grand Rapids, Fourth	Harke Frieeling	126	5	7			1	302			10	250	125	1	390	1,351	340	4,695 1037 Ionia St., G. Rapids.		
Grand Rapids, Fifth	Abraham De Young	220	14	15			2	463	16	13	15	215	200	1	400	4,118	253	6,355 535 Church Pl., G. Rapids.		
Grand Rapids, Sixth	K. J. Dykema	69	10	18			5	156		6	11	191	66	1	229	429	1,025	1,736 1026 Adams St., G. Rapids.		
Grand Rapids, Seventh	A. J. Van Lummel	200	11	8			5	402			7	325	180	1	330	1,279	1,009	5,258 1135 Jennette Ave., G. Rapids.		
Grand Rapids, Eighth	Gerrit Menning	165	10	10			4	320	50	5	12	345	200	1	300	888	59	4,205 821 Burton St., G. Rapids.		
Grand Rapids, Ninth	J. A. Van Dyk	96	8	29			2	216	30	10	11	193	95	1	280	1,698	341	2,914 909 Watson St., G. Rapids.		
Grandville	Vacant	110	19	15			4	240	17	4	11	163	125	1	225	1,339	53	2,362 Grandville, Mich.		
Grant	Vacant	22						39			3	49	16	1	25	139	53	298 Grant, Mich.		
Kalamazoo, First	J. J. Hollebrands	160	3	3			14	359	30	5	12	317	151	1	365	965	413	3,947 523 Cedar St., Kalamazoo.		

CLASSIS OF GRAND RIVER.—P. S. C.—(Continued).

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.				OTHERS ENROLLED.		BAPTISMS.			C. C. & B. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.				
		No. of Church Families.	On Confes- sion.	On Certifi- cation.	Gains.	Losses.		Total Number of Communicants.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Inactive List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non-Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.		Total Enroll- ment.	For Denomina- tional Purposes.	For Other Objects.	For Congrega- tional Purposes.
Kalamazoo, Third	William Wolvius	170	26	13	18	9	315	50	...	...	...	26	2	400	240	1	300	\$1,132	\$800	\$3,536	102 N. West St., Kal'zo.
Kalamazoo, Fourth	Vacant	130	22	12	11	6	278	49	21	20	...	30	...	330	196	1	160	417	462	2,973	136 E. Dutton St., Kal'zo.
Moddersville	Vacant	12	1	...	...	...	30	...	...	...	...	...	...	35	...	1	40	40	...	80	Falmouth, Mich., R.R. 1.
Muskegon, First	John Bovenkerk	220	18	2	21	5	340	10	1	...	...	25	...	740	150	2	550	865	655	4,511	106 Spring St., Muskegon.
Muskegon, Third	John Broek	64	1	1	...	...	56	4	...	...	...	3	...	165	30	1	64	132	...	1,185	Muskegon, Mich.
Muskegon, Fifth	P. A. J. Bouma	60	...	1	...	...	81	43	...	...	...	8	...	151	80	...	...	...	...	...	Amity St., Muskegon, M.
New Era	Arthur Maatman	64	7	2	4	3	150	4	6	...	...	8	...	129	62	1	115	382	22	1,202	New Era, Mich.
Plainfield	Vacant	9	...	...	...	...	19	13	2	...	...	1	...	35	...	1	30	76	10	210	G. Rapids, Mich., R.R. 9.
Portage	B. T. Van der Woude	59	3	2	2	1	99	16	...	...	...	4	...	167	80	1	120	562	49	1,271	Fortage, Mich.
Rehoboth	William S. Gruys	39	2	2	...	2	65	30	...	15	7	...	...	121	70	1	70	90	...	613	Lucas, Mich.
South Barnard	Vacant	15	2	1	...	...	15	4	1	...	...	4	...	28	25	...	...	50	...	225	Charlevoix, M., R. R. 4.
South Haven	Vacant	16	2	...	...	...	15	14	1	...	...	2	...	17	...	...	...	45	...	102	South Haven, Mich.
Spring Lake	Henry Mollema	103	3	6	7	1	4	200	18	2	5	6	...	265	145	1	170	789	114	2,417	Spring Lake, Mich.
Twin Lakes	M. Cook	36	4	2	...	...	70	16	...	...	...	4	...	80	42	1	100	241	97	2,065	Kalamazoo, Mich., R.R. 11
Total		3126	238	203	225	8	112	6155	744	125	98	330	16	6533	3137	33	6199	\$26,185	\$7,482	\$80,444	

Other Ministers—A. Van Arendonk, Classical Missionary, Grand Haven, Mich.; Albert Oltmans, D. D., Missionary, Tokio, Japan; A. Livingston Warnshuis, D. D., Shanghai, China; Willis G. Hoekje, Missionary, Saga, Japan; S. Venema, Emeritus, 625 Innes St., Grand Rapids, Mich.; Henry K. Boer, 360 Carlton Ave., Grand Rapids, Mich.; Cornelius Kriekard, Emeritus, Kalamazoo, Mich.; O. G. Droppers, Classical Missionary, 143 William St., Muskegon, Mich.

Classical Agents—F. M., N. Boer; D. M., K. J. Dykema; E., H. Freiling; P. and B. S. W., H. Mollema; D. M. F. and W. F., G. Menning; P. M., J. A. Van Dyk.

Stated Clerk and Treasurer—J. Van Westenburgh, Fremont, Mich.

+Organized December 6, 1918.

CLASSIS OF GREENE.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	No. of Church Families.	COMMUNICANTS.					OTHERS ENROLLED.		BAPTISMS.				C. C. & B. S.				CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.		
			Gains.	Losses.	On Confession.	On Certificate.	By Dismissal.	By Discipline.	By Death.	Total Number of Communicants.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Inactive List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non-Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enrollment.	For Denominational Purposes.		For Other Objects.	For Congregational Purposes.
Athens	Henry J. Herge	175	2	2	3	5	7	210	100	20	10	8	1	40	50	1	190	\$387	\$134	\$2,017 Athens.			
Catskill	Cornelius B. Muste	345	3	7	5	4	8	570	150	90	30	1	1	40	...	1	239	1,265	373	5,024 Catskill.			
First, Cossackie	William A. Dumont	158	...	...	...	...	2	175	140	74	25	11	1	2	...	2	202	266	167	2,000 West Cossackie.
Second, Cossackie	Vacant	145	2	3	...	...	12	178	20	...	116	1	1	2	...	2	168	436	50	73,619 Cossackie.	
Kiskatom	John H. Heinrichs, S. S.	60	2	...	1	...	3	125	35	12	26	1	1	1	20	...	48	154	82	914 Leeds.			
Leeds	John H. Heinrichs.	51	5	...	2	1	...	98	30	11	1	1	1	3	22	8	1	50	92	61	1,746 Leeds.		
Total		934	14	12	17	1	32	1,356	475	207	208	24	7	122	58	9	917	\$2,600	\$867	\$16,347			

Other Ministers—Walter Winant, 26 West 95th Street, New York City; S. O. Lawsing, Duranzo, Col.; Chas. F. Stube, 66 Watson Ave., East Orange, N. J.
Classical Agents—F. M., H. J. Herge; D. M., Wm. A. Dumont; E., C. B. Muste; P. and B. S. W., J. H. Heinrichs; W. F. and D. M. F., William Van Orden, Catskill, N. Y.
Stated Clerk and Treasurer—William A. Dumont, West Cossackie, N. Y.,
 +\$1,000.00 raised for mortgage.

CLASSIS OF HOLLAND.—P. S. C.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	No. of Church Families.	COMMUNICANTS.					OTHERS ENROLLED.			BAPTISMS.			C. C. & B. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.													
			On Confes- sion.	On Certifi- cate.	Gains.			Losses.	Total Number of Communicants.	Adherents.	Absent List.		Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non- Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enroll- ment.	For Denomina- tional Purposes.	For Other Objects.	For Congrega- tional Purposes.									
					On Confes- sion.	On Certifi- cate.	By Dismiss- al.				By Disci- pline.	By Death.										Inactive List.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non- Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enroll- ment.	For Denomina- tional Purposes.	For Other Objects.	For Congrega- tional Purposes.
Allegan	Vacant	10	3	20	8	3	23	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	\$78	\$83	\$257								
Beaumont	H. Maasen	45	5	5	8	8	3	81	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	90	400	\$83								
Cleveland, First	T. G. Vanden Bosch	39	3	1	1	1	3	91	5	15	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	95	137	1,506								
Cleveland, Calvary	M. A. Stegman	82	6	1	7	7	203	12	9	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	197	1,759	3,506								
Dunningville	Vacant	27	1	1	1	1	2	54	6	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	137	616	1,506								
East Overisel	Paul E. A. Schroeder	51	10	1	8	8	2	141	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	50	224	2,765								
Ebenezer	A. H. Strabbing	55	6	6	3	3	2	142	8	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	93	224	2,765								
Graatschap	Vacant	35	19	15	7	7	2	84	21	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	126	594	1,047								
Hamilton, First	John S. TerLouw	116	8	17	7	7	5	278	6	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	110	184	615								
Harlem	Vacant	23	4	1	6	6	3	58	4	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	111	619	2,087								
Holland, First	Vacant	254	30	24	36	36	16	652	30	20	15	40	1	470	220	1	1	1	1	950	55	5,491								
Holland, Third	Martin Flipse	250	31	24	25	25	5	650	40	20	15	16	4	290	175	1	1	1	1	867	616	7,292								
Holland, Fourth	Vacant	172	8	6	15	1	7	350	5	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	300	948	4,213								
Holland, Sixth	Vacant	28	14	7	10	10	2	66	100	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	150	54	1,336								
Hudsonville	Cornelius Dolfin	24	2	15	10	10	2	40	14	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	79	116	429								
Jamestown, First	Gradus Van der Linden	109	14	12	8	7	2	263	15	10	1	15	5	295	120	1	1	1	1	260	214	2,371								
North Blendon	George Hankamp	70	4	9	12	2	3	142	26	1	1	8	1	127	111	1	1	1	1	128	1,500	1,413								
North Holland	J. J. Burggraaf	29	4	1	1	1	6	69	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	163	396	660								
Ottawa	G. Tysse	112	22	10	18	6	255	2	9	2	1	13	2	294	150	1	1	1	1	273	1,688	2,010								
Overisel	John Steunenbergh	28	13	4	5	5	2	58	75	5	9	8	6	112	70	1	1	1	1	151	51	1,433								
South Blendon	F. M. Wiersma	136	12	5	9	9	3	411	17	19	1	12	2	188	152	1	1	1	1	262	3,640	3,320								
Three Oaks	F. W. Te Paske	63	5	1	6	6	4	142	6	1	1	4	2	108	71	1	1	1	1	151	688	1,219								
Vriesland	A. Vandenbergh	24	11	8	1	1	1	48	20	1	1	10	1	140	106	1	1	1	1	135	246	580								
Zeeland, First	H. Harmeling	184	29	19	3	3	11	455	62	21	1	17	1	165	175	1	1	1	1	310	1,423	4,150								
Zeeland, Second	B. Hoffman	145	17	19	8	8	5	342	10	1	1	11	1	175	110	1	1	1	1	418	2,499	3,842								
Total		2191	285	229	207	3	101	5259	485	145	27	237	27	3401	2244	261	5328	\$27,157	\$4,014	\$57,354										

Other Ministers—Albertus Pieters, Missionary, India; B. Rottschaefer, Missionary, India; L. Hekhuis, Missionary, India; A. Van Bronkhorst, Missionary, Japan; H. V. E. Stegman, Missionary, Japan; H. M. Veenschoten, Missionary, China; S. M. Zwemer, Missionary, Egypt; W. J. Van Kersen, Dist. Sec'y B. F. M., Holland, Mich.; S. Van der Werf, Field Sec'y B. D. M., Holland, Mich.; G. DeJonge, Classical Missionary, Zeeland, Mich.; J. Hoekje, Holland, Mich.

Classical Agents—F. M., B. Hoffman; D. M., G. Tysse; E., Geo. Hankamp; P. and B. S. W., A. H. Strabbing; D. M. F. and W. F., H. Harmeling; P. M., M. Flipse.

Stated Clerk and Treasurer—G. DeJonge, Zeeland, Mich.

CLASSIS OF HUDSON.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	No. of Church Families.	COMMUNICANTS.					OTHERS ENROLLED.		BAPTISMS.			C. C. & B. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.		P. O. ADDRESS.						
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					On Confes- sion.	On Certifi- cate.	By Dismissal.																By Dis- cipline.	By Death.
Claverack	Herman Hageman	114	11	12	5	10	221	60	73	7	6	3	58	75	230	\$409	\$122	\$2,139	Claverack, Col. Co., N. Y.			
Gallatin	Vacant	62	3	97	25	14	22	5	26	1	210	247	Mt. Ross, Dutchess Co.			
German town	Benjamin F. White	*105	1	5	165	56	30	38	6	1	52	1	338	2,145	German town, Col. Co.			
Greenport	H. D. B. Mulford, S. S.	110	2	.....	4	.....	4	130	50	60	65	.....	49	.....	.....	1	140	.....	811	Claverack, Col. Co., N. Y.
Hudson	J. M. Martin	*235	1	12	6	.....	6	381	150	76	42	9	.....	.....	.....	1	909	.....	6,015	Hudson, Col. Co., N. Y.
Livingston	M. J. Den Herder	98	10	7	7	.....	2	173	51	24	36	4	6	40	.....	1	418	.....	1,103	Livingston, Col. Co., N. Y.	
Livingston Memorial	E. T. F. Randolph	*45	3	.....	7	.....	2	77	25	67	17	2	20	.....	.....	1	69	.....	1,194	Livingston, Col. Co., N. Y.
Mellenville	Vacant	102	.....	.....	7	.....	1	204	31	32	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	32	.....	906	Mellenville, Col. Co., N. Y.
Philmont	M. C. T. Andrae	175	2	5	7	.....	9	229	40	86	19	7	.....	43	.....	1	222	.....	2,681	Philmont, Col. Co., N. Y.
West Copake	Vacant	40	10	5	3	.....	2	76	10	24	.....	5	12	.....	.....	1	74	.....	1,093	704 West Copake, Col. Co.
Total		1,086	40	41	43	46	1,753	498	486	252	41	15	300	75	12	1,425	\$3,667	\$1,351	\$17,989				

Other Ministers—D. T. Harris, Wurtsboro, N. Y.; John Van Burk, Lenoxdale, Mass.; F. A. Force, Rifton Glen, N. Y.; Philip Jonker, Chaplain, U. S. Army.
 Classical Agents—F. M., M. J. Den Herder; D. M., E. T. F. Randolph; P. and B. S. W., M. C. T. Andrae; E., B. F. White; D. M. F. and W. F., H. D. B. Mulford; F. M., J. M. Martin.
 Stated Clerk—H. Hageman, Claverack, N. Y.
 Treasurer—M. Van de Bogart, Hudson, N. Y.
 * Revised.

CLASSIS OF ILLINOIS.—P. S. C.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	No. of Church Families.	COMMUNICANTS.					OTHERS ENROLLED.			S. S. S. S.				CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.		
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Bethany	John Lamar	250	22	9	3	11	550	50	12	19	3	275	150	2	1000	\$2,490	\$986	\$5,910	50 W. 111th St., Chicago.	
Englewood, Second	Vacant	79	4	4	2	3	125	20	6	9	2	159	40	1	200	675	531	3,296	22 E. 102d St., Chicago.	
Emmanuel	Luppo Poigeter	54	4	4	4	1	100	50	5	5	5	90	75	1	200	379	383	2,917	22 S. Ashland Av., Ch'go.	
Hungarian West Side	Supplied	53	1	3	1	1	98	14	14	4	48	48	48	1	175	752	114	2,061	Fairview, Ills.	
Fairview	Jerry P. Winter	100	1	3	1	5	192	40	10	4	3	30	20	1	60	130	30	1,799	25 W. 123th St., Chicago.	
Kensington Ital. Mission	Joseph M. A. Papa	30	1	5	5	2	48	3	3	3	3	30	20	1	60	130	30	1,799	153 Institute Pl., Chic'go.	
North Western	Supplied	30	1	5	5	2	50	75	27	3	3	11	6	1	30	281	87	400	Mason City, Ills.	
Pennsylvania Lane	Vacant	30	1	5	5	2	57	7	5	1	1	7	7	1	35	98	5	87	Paritan, Ills.	
Raritan	Supplied	28	1	1	2	12	48	17	6	1	1	7	7	1	35	98	5	480	Manito, Ills.	
Spring Lake	Theodore Shafer	20	1	1	2	12	48	17	6	1	1	7	7	1	35	98	5	480	Manito, Ills.	
Trinity	
Total	Total	649	34	21	16	25	1278	273	74	38	5	520	291	9	1760	\$2,317	\$2,050	\$16,862		

Other Ministers—J. S. Joralmon, Los Angeles, Cal.; Alois A. Krisik, Aurora, Ills.; James Sterenberg, Galesburg, Ills.; Douwe De Groot, 67 E. 102nd Place, Chicago, Ills.; Jesse W. Brooks, 440 So. Dearborn St., Chicago, Ills.;
 Classical Agents—F. M. ; D. M. J. Lamar; E. J. Sterenberg; D. M. F. and W. F., Mr. T. R. DeVries, 528 W. 103rd Place, Chicago, Ills.; P. and B. S. W., Mr. J. F. Otto, 241 W. 110th St., Chicago, Ills.;
 Stated Clerk and Treasurer—Luppo Poigeter, 20 E. 102nd St., Chicago, Ills.

CLASSIS OF KINGSTON.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.										OTHERS ENROLLED.			BAPTISMS.			C. C. & B. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.
		On Confes- sion.		On Certifi- cate.	Losses.				Total Number of Communicants.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Inactive List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non- Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enroll- ment.	For Denomi- tional Purposes.	For Other Objects.	For Congrega- tional Purposes.			
					Gains.	By Dismissal.	By Discipline.	By Death.																
				60	6	8	8	5	76	20	20	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	1	78	\$272	\$28		$28
Bloomington	Vacant	90	3	3	6	1	125	50	150	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	1	146	180	175	\$1,331		
The Clove	G. C. Dangremond	65	3	1	1	1	144	30	60	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	1	146	180	175	\$1,331		
Gardiner	Henry W. Brink	30	4	2	2	2	40	25	20	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	1	90	397	113	1,185		
Guilford	Calvin E. Lasher, P. Em.	60	4	3	3	3	6	126	25	20	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	1	90	397	113	1,185		
Hurley	Jesse F. Durfee	229	5	3	3	3	3	25	38	6	20	7	7	7	7	7	7	1	60	35	22	4,866		
Hurley	Frank B. Seeley	33	3	12	4	2	52	20	72	13	15	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	25	49	30	384		
Kingston	Vacant	42	6	3	3	3	4	115	28	25	13	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	160	232	57	1,765		
Krumville	Vacant	61	10	4	4	4	1	42	12	24	...	8	8	8	8	8	8	1	150	98	16	325		
Lyonsville	Vacant	22	1	4	4	4	3	356	200	74	...	4	4	4	4	4	4	1	35	98	16	325		
Marbleton	Jesse F. Durfee, S. S.	235	6	3	2	2	3	293	...	74	...	4	4	4	4	4	4	1	150	98	16	325		
New Paltz	Ernest Clapp	175	3	6	4	4	3	79	40	50	...	4	4	4	4	4	4	1	150	98	16	325		
Rochester	Peter F. Mead	36	...	11	5	5	1	25	10	10	...	4	4	4	4	4	4	1	44	252	55	1,168		
Rosendale	Vacant	30	...	5	...	...	1	25	10	10	...	4	4	4	4	4	4	1	44	252	55	1,168
Rosendale	Vacant	30	...	5	...	...	1	25	10	10	...	4	4	4	4	4	4	1	44	252	55	1,168
St. Remy	Vacant	123	44	34	49	...	47	1901	535	604	151	42	23	144	9	20	1529	\$3,453	\$707	\$16,251	\$16,251			

Other Ministers—James Cantine, D. D., Muscat, Arabia; A. A. Zabriskie, Kingston, N. Y.
 Classical Agents—F. M., E. M. Clapp; D. M., Jesse F. Durfee; E., Geo. C. Dangremond; P. and B. S. W., H. W. Brink.
 Stated Clerk—Henry W. Brink, Gardiner, N. Y.
 Treasurer—F. B. Seeley, Kingston, N. Y.
 •Last year's report.

NORTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.				OTHERS ENROLLED.			BAPTISMS.		C. C. & B. S.		CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.				
		No. of Church Families.	Gains.		Losses.	Total Number of Communicants.	Absent List.		Infants.	Adults.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enrollment.	For Denominational Purposes.	For Other Objects.		For Congregational Purposes.			
			On Confession.	On Certification.			By Dismissal.	By Discipline.										By Death.	Adherents.	Inactive List.
Jamaica	Robert Kerr Wick.	310	10	5	13	8	569	70	74	8	1	100	2	484	\$4,234	\$2,348	\$9,107	221 Fulton St., Jamaica.		
Newtown	Charles K. Clearwater.	100	4	...	...	3	246	40	50	...	...	...	1	290	230	1,500	3,900	23 Victor Pl., Elmhurst.
Oyster Bay	William H. Jackson.	75	6	...	...	1	105	...	...	...	...	...	1	55	75	5	1,500	1,950 Glen Head, L. I., N. Y.
North Hempstead	Oscar Maddaus	100	4	9	5	...	1	161	81	51	2	...	2	160	150	180	4,600	Manhasset, L. I., N. Y.		
Williamsburgh	Vacant	105	7	...	...	3	131	30	...	...	...	...	1	74	226	94	...	Bedford Av., Clysese St.
Astoria	Arthur Rosenraad	160	7	2	6	...	230	50	144	53	1	60	...	1	175	276	122	4,257	73 Remsen St., Astoria	
Flushing	Thomas H. MacKenzie.	238	9	19	8	...	9	485	65	122	6	...	1	240	297	680	9,877	375 Parsons Av., Flushing.		
Kent St., Brooklyn.	Amos I. Dushaw.	175	26	2	5	...	3	420	50	119	...	10	9	375	105	250	2,923	Locust Valley, L. I., N. Y.		
South Bushwick	Andrew J. Meyer.	314	13	3	9	...	15	493	50	138	27	...	9	1	870	748	6,755	15 Himrod St., Brooklyn.		
Second, Astoria	C. D. F. Steinfuhrer.	90	25	11	4	...	2	137	45	31	24	...	8	1	65	139	661	1,509	520 21 Av., Astoria, L. I.	
Queens	D. Everitt Lyon.	115	15	...	...	3	160	162	3	...	5	...	1	300	487	82	4,905	Queens, L. I., N. Y.
German Evan., Brooklyn	George G. Wacker.	206	15	...	...	12	355	...	...	...	40	1	33	375	105	250	4,000	144 Penn St., Brooklyn.
Sayville	Cornelius Muller	85	7	4	4	...	2	161	20	10	8	...	1	220	261	115	2,634	West Sayville, L. I., N. Y.		
Locust Valley	Edward W. Miller.	164	19	4	1	...	6	93	...	40	7	...	1	150	190	15	2,923	Locust Valley, L. I., N. Y.		
College Point	Henry Sluyter	130	4	...	5	...	2	132	33	12	50	...	15	1	343	204	3,073	College Point, L. I., N. Y.		
First, L. I. City	Vacant	185	5	...	12	...	17	305	60	65	23	...	14	1	180	50	2,200	102 Academy St., L. I., N. Y.		
German Evan., Jamaica	Frederick Stoebeuer	130	4	...	...	1	55	15	...	...	1	...	1	65	15	12	880	Hicksville, L. I., N. Y.
Hicksville	Irving P. Emerick.	185	5	...	...	1	170	60	14	...	12	...	1	106	25	10	2,138	Elmhurst, L. I., N. Y.
German, Newtown	John G. Boshart.	238	15	5	5	...	4	343	30	14	49	...	3	...	82	129	3,207	Steinway, L. I., N. Y.		
Steinway	Preston F. Strauss.	283	154	5	...	4	150	30	45	31	...	40	1	200	65	40	2,029	71 Harman St., Brooklyn.		
Church of Jesus.	Christian Oswald	80	12	...	...	...	2	48	...	...	6	...	1	71	77	...	915	New Hyde Park, L. I., N. Y.
New Hyde Park.	A. E. Van Antwerpen.	39	1	2	...	2	60	40	4	...	1	...	1	60	17	15	580	Sunny Side, L. I., N. Y.		
Sunny Side	Vacant	32	1	...	...	...	2	48	7	4	10	...	1	188	60	...	1,236	4 Fisk Av., Winfield, L. I.
Winfield	William T. E. Adams.	46	9	...	2	...	2	96	30	24	12	...	1	45	25	...	2,474	Central Av., F. R., L. I.		
Ger. Evan., Far Rocky	A. Q. Wettstein	40	5	...	...	1	86	...	...	7	...	42	5	1	...	220	2,127	Central Av., F. R., L. I.
Com. Douglaston	Lloyd G. Davis, S. S.	25	...	...	...	...	1	56	50	5	2	...	1	85	...	...	1,250	Douglaston, L. I., N. Y.
Ger. Evan., Manhattan.	George G. Wacker.	50	...	...	...	3	75	...	...	...	4	...	1	...	...	...	1,250	144 Penn St., Brooklyn.
Total		3180	353	76	91	...	104	5585	818	895	490	330	23	449	612	28	5103	\$31,298	\$10,191	\$84,855

Other Ministers—Lewis Francis, Hotel Bossert, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Ernest Gutweiler, Hicksville, N. Y.; Robt. H. Barr, Associate *Reformed Church, Newburgh, N. Y.; John Baumeister, 402 Amity St., Flushing, N. Y.; Walter T. Scudder, Vellore, Madras, India; E. E. Calverley, Arabia; Minor Swick, 54 S. Parsons Ave., Flushing, N. Y.; Alexander Shaw, 91 Wilbur Ave., L. I. City, N. Y.; J. S. N. Demarest, Queens, N. Y.; E. Fred Eastman, Roslyn, N. Y.; George J. Schoenk, 2411 Creston Ave., New York City.

Stated Clergy and Treasurers—Rev. Charles K. Clearwater, 23 Victor Place, Elmhurst, L. I.

Classical Agents—F. M., Robert K. Wick; D. M., Henry Sluyter; E., P. F. Strauss; D. M. F. and W. F., Elder J. H. Vanderveer, Elmhurst, N. Y.; P. and B. S. W., Andrew J. Meyer.

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First Ref., Brooklyn...	John W. Van Zanten...	*850	29	26	38	13	877	150	375	...	5	3	1	280	\$2,021	\$3,410	7th Av., and Carroll St., 1242 Dean St., Brooklyn.			
Flatbush (First).....	J. F. Farrar, P. Em.	400	15	23	7	6	550	350	30	...	19	2	...	...	1	400	3,621	5,139	900 Flatbush Av., Brooklyn.	
Grace Reformed.....	G. W. Carter.....	140	31	26	9	4	311	20	61	58	16	2	20	...	1	281	4,215	1,867	155 Lincoln Rd., Brooklyn.			
New Utrecht.....	Vacant.....	125	3	7	4	4	306	50	60	50	2	...	...	30	1	283	814	1,537	4,535 128th St., Brooklyn.	
Gravesend First.....	O. M. Fletcher.....	108	3	4	3	2	219	80	72	11	11	2	42	...	2	394	1,794	1,460	4,395 145 Neck Rd., Brooklyn.			
Flatlands.....	Charles W. Koeder.....	225	26	4	1	3	352	300	60	...	12	2	...	...	2	776	640	1,601	5,545 1260 E. 40th St., Brooklyn.	
New Lots.....	J. S. Gardner, P. Em.	80	...	...	3	1	103	...	...	...	17	...	...	...	...	191	...	35	653 Schenck Av., Brooklyn.
Forest Park.....	Howard C. Hasbrouck....	195	3	7	6	6	353	124	...	...	8	...	...	...	...	382	233	108	4,276 Woodhaven, Brooklyn, N. Y.
South Brooklyn.....	Floyd L. Cornish.....	516	53	4	14	9	874	400	200	42	28	1	...	...	1	1001	920	2,209	11,588 461 56th St., Brooklyn.	
Twelfth St.....	R. Anderson Watson.....	425	51	3	8	10	800	100	200	...	...	...	...	...	...	700	273	300	12,619 138 Prospect Pl., W.
Church-on-the-Heights	John C. Rauscher.....	21	...	1	...	...	27	100	487	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,827	4,477	7,690 198 Columbia Heights.
New Brooklyn.....	F. F. Shannon.....	158	21	...	1	21	325	120	105	32	38	2	...	21	...	359	98	189	3,385 1062 Herkimer St., Brooklyn.			
Second, Flatbush.....	Fred C. Erhardt.....	50	17	3	1	...	188	10	...	...	14	2	...	3	1	130	75	50	2,900 2170 Bedford Av., Brooklyn.	
Canarsie.....	Henry J. Wahl.....	90	...	...	...	...	188	...	...	...	14	...	...	...	...	300	100	164	1,564 1155 E. 93d St., Brooklyn.
St. Thomas, U. S. A.....	Jacob Meier.....	37	5	...	4	...	135	34	15	15	30	1	303	109	22	442 St. Thomas, U. S. A.		
Ocean Hill.....	B. J. Folsenbee.....	100	2	137	40	1	285	125	70	1,929 1289 Herkimer St., Brooklyn.		
Edgewood.....	Andrew Hageman.....	145	17	7	5	2	304	26	37	35	12	4	...	...	...	1	302	142	23,550 118 54th St., Brooklyn.
Ridgewood.....	Alexander Wouters.....	40	20	355	26	68	15	24	4	45	13	...	1	295	56	21	2,386 1889 Devarer St., Brooklyn.		
Woodlawn.....	George R. Israel.....	141	11	7	2	2	238	8	3	1	294	207	703	3,152 1460 E. 10th St., Brooklyn.		
Greenwood Heights.....	John G. Athly.....	129	15	3	5	3	262	50	...	60	10	...	25	10	...	1	350	230	218	3,835 709 45th St., Brooklyn.		
Barren Island.....	Stanley G. Tyndall.....	3445	324	133	109	1	99,649	1729	1679	275	321	37	162	82	22	6839	\$17,634	\$23,848	\$80,913			
Total.....																						

Other Ministers—Daniel Rapelle, 10 Palmer Ave., Plainfield, N. J.; A. Dew Mason, 222 Garfield Place, Brooklyn, N. Y.; A. M. Quick, 56 7th Ave., Brooklyn; M. A. Deuman, 96 Maplewood Terrace, Springfield, Mass.; C. J. Scudder, 19 Kirkpatrick St., New Brunswick, N. J.; John E. Lloyd, 806 Carroll St., Brooklyn; N. J.; R. F. D. No. 2, Ralph C. Morris, 1361 53rd St., Brooklyn, N. Y.; F. P. Young, 290 Claremont Ave., Montclair, N. J.; A. J. Derbyshire, Mamaroneck, N. Y.; O. E. Fisher, Chaplain, 165th Depot Brigade, Camp Travis, Texas.

Classical Agents—F. M., J. G. Addy; D. M., J. C. Rauscher; E. C. W. Roder; P. and B. S. W., A. Hageman; P. M., A. DeW. Mason.

Stated Clerk and Treasurer—John S. Gardner, Somerville, N. J.

* Last year's report. \$83,250.00 payment on parsonage.

CLASSIS OF MICHIGAN.—P. S. C.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.										OTHERS ENROLLED.		BAPTISMS.		C. C. & B. S.		CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.		
		GAINS.			LOSSES.			Total Number of				Adherents.		No. Baptized Non-		Instruction by		Total Enroll-		For Denomi- national Purposes.		For Other Objects.	For Congrega- tional Purposes.
		On Confes- sion.	On Certifi- cate.	By Dismis- sal.	By Dis- cipline.	By Death.	Total Number of Communicants.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Inactive List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non- Communicants.	Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enroll- ment.							
Albendale, First	Charles A. Stoppels.....	32	4	10	.....	3	67	12	13	.....	9	1	58	13	13	1	60	\$45	.....	\$1,080	Hamilton, Mich.	R. R. 1.
American Ref., Hamilton	Raymond D. Meengs.....	40	21	4	.....	.....	1	87	15	8	7	4	48	50	50	1	103	54	.....	1,111	Hamilton, Mich.	R. R. 1.
Beethany, Grand Rapids	James Wayer	183	18	13	14	.....	2	387	14	18	18	1	320	163	163	1	755	791	.....	5,451	Grand Haven, Mich.	G. R.
Beethany, Kalamazoo	Jacob Van der Meulen.....	135	10	4	.....	.....	2	232	60	15	16	.....	181	105	105	1	636	967	.....	2,993	Grand Rapids, Mich.	G. R.
Belbel, Grand Rapids	Arend J. Talsma	98	12	8	14	1	3	188	35	6	4	19	170	93	93	1	311	413	.....	3,343	Grand Rapids, Mich.	G. R.
Calvary, Grand Rapids	Andrew Stegenga	69	11	6	6	.....	2	116	12	1	1	11	100	70	70	1	212	223	.....	2,918	Grand Rapids, Mich.	G. R.
Central Ref., G. Rapids	Vacant	250	2	5	23	.....	16	500	.....	.....	4	.....	258	35	35	1	386	3,182	.....	1,057	Grand Rapids, Mich.	G. R.
Fairview, Grand Rapids	Vacant	27	9	4	.....	.....	33	75	.....	.....	10	2	45	50	50	1	110	96	.....	1,053	Grand Rapids, Mich.	G. R.
Grace, Grand Rapids	C. H. Spaan	125	14	19	10	1	3	259	40	17	10	16	8	220	100	100	1	410	984	3,858	Grand Rapids, Mich.	G. R.
Grand Haven, Second	Henry A. Vruwink	78	21	5	2	.....	6	210	23	22	4	4	70	56	56	1	230	554	.....	3,198	Grand Haven, Mich.	G. R.
Hope, Holland	Paul P. Cheff	250	13	30	11	.....	5	445	75	55	23	2	186	128	128	1	361	1,397	.....	5,879	Grand Haven, Mich.	G. R.
Immanuel, Grand Rapids	Isaac Van Westenburgh.....	135	15	27	14	.....	3	270	8	.....	23	2	186	128	128	1	361	606	.....	4,773	Grand Rapids, Mich.	G. R.
Kalamazoo, Second	John Van Weersum	172	6	3	2	.....	3	306	57	62	3	.....	30	30	30	1	300	508	.....	4,114	Kalamazoo, Mich.	G. R.
Knapp Av., G. Rapids	Vacant	25	4	.....	.....	.....	2	42	50	.....	3	3	30	30	30	1	60	75	.....	1,057	Kalamazoo, Mich.	G. R.
Muskegon, Second	Anthony Karreman	139	8	25	6	.....	2	235	50	5	6	.....	209	149	149	1	265	877	.....	5,830	Muskegon, Mich.	R. R. 1.
North Park, Kalamazoo	Richard Van den Berg	64	6	2	2	.....	1	131	10	5	5	1	91	85	85	1	185	353	.....	2,503	North Park, Mich.	K. R.
Trinity, Holland	Clarence P. Dame	158	16	21	19	.....	1	394	20	5	5	24	379	300	300	1	728	1,425	.....	4,306	Trinity, Mich.	G. R.
Trinity, Grand Rapids	John Van Zomeren	98	6	9	10	.....	1	192	50	4	14	1	225	150	150	1	375	379	.....	4,246	Grand Rapids, Mich.	G. R.
Unity, Muskegon	George G. Heneveld	68	41	40	.....	.....	1	105	254	.....	5	4	180	218	218	1	245	253	.....	3,571	Muskegon, Mich.	G. R.
Zion, Grand Rapids	Ralph Bloemendal	32	2	15	3	.....	1	46	35	1	3	.....	45	35	35	1	60	258	.....	1,602	Grand Rapids, Mich.	G. R.
Total		2,622	239	250	138	2	56	4,335	898	224	154	205	31	2,806	1,907	1,907	20	6,088	\$18,522	\$5,413			

Other Ministers.—P. Moordyke, Holland, Mich.; James Ossewaarde, U. S. Army; H. V. S. Peeke, Japan; Geo. W. Scarlet, Ridgeway, Mich.; David Van Strien, Kurume, Japan; John H. Warmshuis, Ranipetta, India; Henry A. Bilkert, Bahrein, Arabia.
 Classical Agents.—F. M., C. F. Dame; D. M., James Wayer; D. M. F. and W. F., C. H. Spaan; E., I. Van Westenburgh; P. and B. S. W., J. Van der Meulen.
 Stated Clerk and Treasurer—Jacob Van der Meulen, Kalamazoo, Mich.

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		On Confession.	On Certification.	Gains.	Losses.	Total Number of Communicants.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Inactive List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non-Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enrollment.	For Denominational Purposes.		For Other Objects.	For Congregational Purposes.
First, Freehold	Charles L. Palmer.....	103	5	2	1	219	30	16	...	3	4	...	...	2	100	\$411	\$169	\$2,962	Marlboro, N. J.
Holmdel	Wilmer MacNair.....	42	1	...	...	99	27	28	...	3	1	...	...	1	52	301	159	1,300	Holmdel, N. J.
Middletown	M. T. Conklin.....	70	2	...	...	134	75	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	75	251	73	1,416	Middletown, N. J.
Second, Freehold	J. Ernest Metz.....	195	25	7	8	368	75	41	47	10	6	...	...	1	277	1,120	655	3,821	Freehold, N. J.
Keyport	Frank T. B. Reynolds.....	81	1	...	...	215	50	25	9	4	1	40	30	1	110	314	20	1,020	Keyport, N. J.
Long Branch	Alfred Duncombe	120	5	1	...	205	32	40	...	3	...	...	...	1	126	100	10	2,375	Long Branch, N. J.
Colts Neck	Daniel P. Doyle.....	63	15	1	...	170	25	44	1	3	...	*	...	1	110	190	46	480	Colts Neck, N. J.
Asbury Park	Garrett M. Conover.....	66	1	3	...	4	50	33	20	8	10	...	...	1	388	258	136	2,500	Colts Neck, N. J.
First, Red Bank	Vacant	104	20	1	...	*304	50	33	26	8	10	...	...	1	388	258	136	2,300	414 Sewell Av., As. Park, N. J.
Total .....	.....	846	75	15	10	181724	344	252	103	37	22	40	30	10	1238	\$2,946	\$1,268	\$1874	.....

Other Ministers—Elias Mead, Passaic, N. J.; Garrett Wyckoff, Red Bank, N. J.; W. H. Van Doren, Princeton, N. J.; H. J. Vyverberg, Ontario, N. Y.
 Classical Agents—F. M., ———; D. M., J. E. Mertz, E., Chas. L. Palmer; P. and B. S. W., F. T. B. Reynolds; D. M. F., G. M. Conover; W. F., Francis V. Maun.
 Stated Clerk and Treasurer—Garrett M. Conover, Asbury Park, N. J.
 *Revised.

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY.—P. S. A.

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Amsterdam, First	J. R. Kyle.	114	9	2	3	6	177	40	4	31	4	4	1	249	387	\$302	\$1,568	Amsterdam.	
Amsterdam, Trinity	George Steininger.	197	3	4	8	4	258	160	11	15	6	1	274	389	4,097	Amsterdam.		
Auriesville	Supplied	31	.....	.....	.....	.....	63	.....	34	.....	.....	.....	5	.....	1	50	23	32	270	Auriesville.
Canajoharie	Victor J. Blekkink.	135	7	9	1	2	217	.....	.....	.....	3	2	.....	.....	1	171	267	91	3,700	Canajoharie.
Cleero	Supplied	20	.....	.....	.....	1	30	.....	20	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	38	.....	.....	.....	Cleero.
Columbia	Vacant	38	.....	.....	.....	.....	19	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	20	.....	.....	300	Richfield Springs, R. D. 4.
Cranesville	Supplied	*20	.....	.....	.....	.....	28	31	.....	3	.....	.....	8	.....	1	35	.....	.....	300	Cranesville.
Currytown	C. H. Schneegas	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	54	18	7	24	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	32	107	6	412	Sprakers, R. D. 1.
Ephratah	Royal A. Stanton.	70	21	2	4	1	111	12	11	20	2	13	16	4	1	96	43	67	702	Ephratah.	
Florida	R. A. Pearce	70	10	1	.....	.....	6	90	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	70	240	175	1,000	Minaville.
Fonda	H. C. Cussler	185	2	1	3	300	72	39	45	2	1	150	2	181	574	418	2,933	Fonda.
Fort Herkimer	Supplied	*12	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Cleero.
Fort Plain	Thomas J. Kirkwood.	280	10	3	2	2	380	25	60	.....	.....	7	4	.....	1	350	411	130	3,700	Mohawk, R. D. 3.
Fultonville	Theodore A. Hageman.	91	2	10	1	2	118	42	54	6	2	18	1	40	168	49	1,710	Fort Plain.
Glen	Supplied	49	2	25	1	54	40	29	816	Glen.
Hagaman	Chas. W. Smith.	100	33	5	10	4	174	35	60	10	15	18	1	136	656	178	2,925	Hagaman.
Herkimer	W. Dumont Conklin	295	3	6	330	25	150	12	1	3	1	293	580	91	3,900	Herkimer.
Interlaken	George G. Seibert	120	7	174	55	21	65	4	1	230	453	4,319	1,702	Interlaken.
Johnstown	Peter S. Beckman	82	2	1	2	4	137	21	22	30	6	1	30	10	1	191	167	99	1,070	Johnstown.	
Lodi	Edward J. Meeker	*101	4	3	151	40	5	27	1	3	13	3	1	172	361	85	1,624	Lodi.
Manheim	Vacant	*12	.....	.....	.....	.....	21	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	30	.....	.....	.....	Little Falls, R. D. 2.
Maplestown	Vacant	17	17	Canajoharie, R. D.	
Mohawk	Arthur B. Boynton.	30	3	66	30	4	1	30	45	14	346	Mohawk.	

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						By Dis- pline.	By Death.															
Naumburgh	Vacant	*13																		Castorland, R. D.		
Owasco	Peter DeMeester.	140	8		2		5	125	50	8	48			21			149	\$169	\$27	\$1,405	Owasco.	
St. Johnsville	Ira Van Allen, S. S.	10						27									25				428	Auburn, R. D.
Sprakers	H. Curtis Ficken.	180	5	1	8		3	270	40	52				2			190	307	245	3,600	St. Johnsville.	
Stone Arabia	C. H. Schneegas.	28						49	36	20							49	15		403	Sprakers.	
Syracuse, First	Royal A. Stanton	28	8	2	1			55	10	9		4	3	8			116	51	70	808	Fort Plain, R. D.	
Syracuse, Second	Ulysses G. Warren.	250	12	15	8			555	40	20	30	5	7	90			149	1,000	1,200	8,714	Syracuse.	
Thousand Islands	Alex. S. Van Dyck.	143	6	5	2			190	67	24	32	15	1				238	179	31	2,208	Syracuse.	
Utica (Christ)	C. Fred Benjamin, Jr.	150	7	1	2			7	174	80	25	29	7				324	115	60	1,739	Alexandria Bay.	
West Leyden	Louis H. Holden.	170	15	11	6		1	231	80	25	94	8	7				137	451	136	4,977	Utica.	
	Supplied	17			2			12									22	19	3		428	West Leyden.
Total		3128	169	91	77			84,452	1209	602	670	122	78	415	53	32	4132	\$7,238	\$7,847	\$57,239		

Other Ministers—Joel Loucks, Canajoharie, N. Y.; Ira Van Allen, 409 Fayette Park, Syracuse, N. Y.; P. A. Wessels, Amsterdam, N. Y.
Classical Agents—F. M., Royal A. Stanton; D. M., U. G. Warren; E., Edward J. Meeker; P. and E. S. W., W. D. Conklin; P. M., Thomas J. Kirkwood; W. and D. F., Elder E. O. Bartlett, Amsterdam, N. Y.
Stated Clerk and Treasurer—George G. Seibert, Interlaken, N. Y.
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CLASSIS OF NEWARK.—P. S. N. B.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	No. of Church Families.	COMMUNICANTS.				OTHERS ENROLLED.		BAPTISMS.			C. C. & B. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.		P. O. ADDRESS.				
			On Confession.	On Certification.	By Dismissal.	By Discipline.	By Death.	Total Number of Communicants.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Inactive List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non-Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.		Total Enrollment.	For Denominational Purposes.	For Other Objects.	For Congregational Purposes.
Belleville	J. Garland Hamner, Jr.	115	1	5	4	1	189	38	62	81	8	2	.....	1	231	\$628	\$164	\$2,924 263 Main St., Belleville.		
First, Newark	Otis M. Trousdale	165	4	2	8	4	280	100	.....	.....	6	.....	.....	1	320	1,750	1,140	9,436 370 Clinton Ave., Newark.
First, Irvington	Lester G. Leggett	100	2	4	4	2	164	10	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	1	280	.....	.....	69 Orange Ave., Irvington.
New York Ave., Newark	George H. Donovan	115	15	17	3	4	168	50	.....	.....	22	.....	.....	1	178	746	225	2,415 100 New York Ave., N. Y.
Franklin, Nutley	Harold W. Schenck	135	9	6	1	1	208	45	6	44	8	3	100	1	355	754	476	3,699 30 Church St., Nutley.			
North, Newark	T. Porter Drum	1005	31	15	13	15	1721	75	8	202	67	4	384	270	3	1452	5,631	16,592	20,063 510 Broad St., Newark.		
West, Newark	Charles B. Condit, Asst.	70	25	15	15	6	250	40	1	1	95	6	40	15	300	70	51	1,750 16 West End Ave., Newark.		
Clinton Ave., Newark	Albertus T. Brock	403	31	9	7	14	688	100	200	275	10	6	.....	1	625	3,228	1,510	11,355 147 Johnson Ave., Newark.		
Trinity, Newark	Francis Richard Penn	250	20	3	12	4	300	25	20	10	28	5	25	12	1	340	273	69	4,321 483 Ferry St., Newark.		
Linden	William Schmitz	36	7	2	1	1	55	.....	3	12	1	1	203	251	135	2,119 Linden, N. J.				
Christ, Newark	Henry K. Post	100	9	3	3	4	185	25	35	190	7	1	30	1	240	231	333	6,494 88 Delavan Ave., Newark.			
Brookdale	Charles E. Walliron	45	1	73	1	1	73	.....	14	183	3	1	1	1	213	1,494	587	1,351 Bloomfield, N. J., R. F. D. 1		
First, Orange	W. Warren Giles	220	4	8	19	9	476	166	183	3	14	1	.....	1	900	1,637	1,100	7,380 32 Carleton St., E. Orange.		
Trinity, Plainfield	John Y. Broek	534	7	3	11	22	940	101	44	14	1	.....	.....	1	200	1,637	1,100	8,200 519 Central Av., Plainfield.	
German, Plainfield	George Hauser	18	4	.....	.....	1	49	20	4	.....	14	.....	.....	1	20	17	50	904 W. Front St., Plainfield.
Montclair Heights	George D. Hulst	58	8	8	4	2	113	20	12	39	1	5	20	1	71	1,082	225	200 Warrenville, N. J.			
Hyde Park	James Dykema	47	3	.....	.....	2	113	20	12	39	1	5	20	1	71	1,082	225	4,496 Upper Montclair, N. J.	
*Netherwood	E. S. Ralston	83	5	5	4	1	152	20	25	.....	9	2	10	1	147	377	187	2,723 66 Watson Ave., E. Orange.		
Marconner	J. Tucker Lunsdale	25	3	.....	.....	2	67	25	.....	.....	7	1	16	1	76	10	10	1,524 222 Leland Ave., Plainfield.
Second, Irvington	George Moore, Jr.	69	15	1	4	1	130	120	.....	10	4	4	1	1	289	90	55	736 Oak Tree, N. J.		
Mt. Olivet, Ital. Mission	D. N. Febrile, Mission'y	175	4	.....	.....	1	73	60	20	12	3	.....	28	1	210	.....	22	1,016 1176 Springfield Av., N. Y.
Total		3788	297	87	116	1	73,6360	648	904	1196	312	40	611	341	23	6894	\$19,159	\$22,915	\$92,971		
Other Ministers—		Denise Wortman, D. D., 40 Watson Ave., East Orange, N. J.; J. C. Garretson, 178 Main St., Madison, N. J.; Charles L. Lawrence, 2635 Monte Vista St., Los Angeles, Cal.; Henry Unglaub, 147 Ridgewood Ave., Newark, N. J.; Edwin E. Davis, Buskirk, New York; Uriah McClinchie, 63 Orange Ave., Irvington, N. J.; Frank Eckelson, Amoy, China; H. J. Voskuil, Amoy, China; Milton T. Stauffer, Shanghai, China.																			
Classical Agents—		F. M., G. D. Hulst; D. M., J. G. Broek; E. A. T. Broek; P. and B. S. W., H. K. Post.																			
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No. of Church Families.					Total Number of Communicants.																
First, New Brunswick...	Jasper S. Hogan...	210	6	10	1	1	7	455	12	145	114	14	2	71	51	...	508	\$1,881	\$456	\$6,337	New Brunswick, N. J.
Six Mile Run...	Eugene H. Keator...	90	3	3	1	...	6	190	12	20	105	4	...	51	...	219	1,999	4,942	2,985	Franklin Park, N. J.	
Hillsborough	John Neander	98	3	3	1	...	8	182	35	37	5	3	1	50	...	172	794	294	2,970	Millstone, N. J.	
Middlebush	John A. Thomson, S. S.	60	...	...	1	...	3	137	10	7	24	1	...	25	...	124	260	251	*6,412	Middlebush, N. J.	
Griggstown	John R. Sanson, S. S.	30	1	...	5	...	2	88	...	8	1	1	...	11	...	100	261	162	1,458	Belle Mead, N. J.	
Second, New Brunswick	John A. Ingham...	143	8	6	6	...	3	312	27	12	41	6	2	53	35	1	139	1,914	614	4,977	New Brunswick, N. J.
Bound Brook	Harold E. Green...	107	7	4	5	...	5	159	53	51	57	16	1	38	...	1	240	400	195	2,653	S. Bound Brook, N. J.
East Millstone	Henry Lockwood...	106	14	5	1	...	4	174	40	6	...	5	...	...	...	1	64	233	41	1,569	East Millstone, N. J.
Metuchen	Frederick Zimmerman	121	1	1	1	...	4	236	20	9	12	5	...	...	...	1	139	899	337	3,099	Metuchen, N. J.
Suydam St., N. Bruns	George H. Payson...	149	6	2	7	...	2	255	2	20	26	1	...	54	...	1	292	294	373	3,735	New Brunswick, N. J.
Highland Park	Anthony Laidens...	134	1	...	1	...	2	214	35	20	26	1	...	54	...	1	292	294	373	3,735	Highland Park, N. J.
Rocky Hill	Charles E. Corwin...	51	1	7	8	...	2	109	8	38	6	5	...	71	...	1	92	165	75	1,348	Rocky Hill, N. J.
Spotswood	Vacant	34	...	...	...	...	1	73	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	1	61	184	65	925	Spotswood, N. J.
St. Paul's, P. Amboy	Jacob J. Gans...	170	20	...	20	...	10	100	50	10	4	20	1	7	16	1	100	62	100	1,486	Perth Amboy, N. J.
Manville, Hungarian	L. S. H. Hamory, P. E.	27	...	...	...	...	1	50	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Manville, N. J.
Total		1494	68	45	69	...	57,274	307	411	455	91	15	358	147	19	2538	\$10,678	\$7,888	\$14,817		

Other Ministers—W. I. Chamberlain, 25 E. 22d St., New York City; W. H. S. Demarest, New Brunswick, N. J.; J. H. Gillespie, New Brunswick, N. J.; E. Lord, Clifton Springs, N. Y.; L. B. Chamberlain, New Brunswick, N. J.; E. S. Booth, 178 Bluff, Yokohama, Japan; F. E. Wilber, New Brunswick, N. J.; L. J. Shafer, Japan; J. Claude Thomson, Nanking, China.

Classical Agents—F. W., Geo. H. Payson; D. M., H. E. Green; P. M., Mr. H. P. Schneeweiss, New Brunswick, N. J.; P. and B. S. W., Chas. E. Corwin; W. F. and D. M. F., _____.

Stated Clerk—John A. Thomson, Middlebush, N. J.

Treasurer—Henry Lockwood, East Millstone, N. J.

*\$4,800 for new church building. †Received by Classis April, 1919.

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		No. of Church Families.	On Confe- sion.	On Certifi- cate.	By Dismissal.	Losses.		Total Number of Communicants.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Inactive List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non-Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.		Total Enroll- ment.	For Denomina- tional Purposes.	For Other Objects.	For Congrega- tional Purposes.
New York Collegiate.	David James Burrell.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 W. 29th St.
The Marble	W. N. P. Dally.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 W. 29th St.
The Marble	O. P. Barnhill.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 W. 29th St.
The Marble	Malcolm J. MacLeod.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 W. 48th St.
St. Nicholas	Robert W. Courtney.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 W. 48th St.
St. Nicholas	Henry E. Cobb.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 W. 48th St.
The West End	Thos. McR. Nichols.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	370 W. End Ave.
The West End	Edgar F. Romig.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	388 W. End Ave.
The Middle	Vacant	2362	168	80	51	.....	.....	67	5911	.....	.....	104	13	.....	245	10	3341	\$94,792	\$40,654	.....	50 E. 7th St.
North Chapel	Vacant	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	113 Fulton St.
Fort Washington	Ivving H. Berg.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2611 So.-glwick Ave.
34th St.	Vacant	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	307 W. 34th St.
Knox Memorial	E. G. W. Meury.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	405 W. 41st St.
Vermilye Chapel	Winifred R. Ackert.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	416 W. 54th St.
Sunshine Chapel	H. W. Murphy.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	550 West 40th St.
Harlem	Edgar Tilton, Jr.	625	54	24	18	.....	.....	25	1305	.....	.....	31	3	.....	.....	2	500	5,400	5,250	.....	269 Lenox Ave.
Elmendorf Chapel	Otto L. F. Mohr.	143	11	5	8	.....	.....	8	303	45	32	72	6	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	178 East 122d St.
Staten Island	Joseph M. Hodson.	113	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	238	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$6,168 278 Hebertson Ave., S. I.
Fortdam Manor	Julius Jaeger.	125	7	.....	4	.....	.....	5	260	60	30	.....	40	.....	13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,602 2505 Davidson Ave.
68th St. German.	Frelon E. Bolster.	235	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5,375 355 E. 68th St.
Manor Chapel	J. H. Brinkerhoff.	570	26	19	8	.....	.....	7	596	75	16	20	15	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	561 350 W. 26th St.
Brighton Heights	Albert F. Hahn.	145	38	1	6	.....	.....	3	251	9	18	10	29	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7,067 17 Lenox Pl., N. Bright'n.
Zion German Evangel.	Wm. N. Macneill	63	11	11	2	.....	.....	1	77	50	45	28	8	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,626 1288 Stebbins Ave.
West Farms	Vacant	28	1,731 789 Fairmount Pl., N. Y.
Huguenot Park	Vacant	823 Huguenot Park, S. I.

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Mott Haven	Oscar M. Voorhees.....	170	35	3	8	4	371	75	16	28	10	6	8	1	317	\$552	\$519	\$4,497	350 E. 146th St.					
Meirose, German	Vacant	148	2	17	248	17	248	40	32	41	5	28	8	1	317	50	755	3,233	Elton Av. & E. 156th St.					
Fourth German	Albert E. Wirth.....	55	2	9	408	3	110	41	32	40	9	5	80	1	100	348	153	2,053	410 West 45th St.					
Union of High Bridge	Daniel G. Verwey.....	200	6	8	5	4	408	55	84	9	12	9	80	1	362	791	551	6,071	1176 Woodcrest Ave.					
Grace	Joseph R. Dykstra	150	6	1	2	6	350	50	54	50	7	4	28	1	130	500	900	4,900	139 E. 36th St.					
Hamilton Grange	John A. Dykstra	169	18	22	8	3	268	50	54	50	7	4	28	1	219	839	764	9,287	772 St. Nicholas Ave.					
Anderson Memorial	Robt. H. DeBoer	59	7	4	6	2	98	54	30	30	7	4	28	1	195	66	218	2,433	675 E. 183d St.					
Church of the Comforter	Robt. H. MacCreedy.....	95	9	4	2	130	38	244	58	14	1	55	40	1	325	198	119	535	W. 111th St.					
Bethany Memorial	A. B. Churchman.....	98	9	1	4	6	133	38	244	58	14	1	55	40	1	325	198	119	535	W. 111th St.				
Mariner's Harbor	W. E. Compton.....	91	1	4	3	117	95	29	2	2	7	1	70	65	1	150	154	133	1,910	Mariner's Harbor, S. I.				
Trinity, of Belfast, Me.	William Vaughan	153	11	3	8	9	81	75	50	2	17	17	15	1	216	261	133	232	Colony, Oklahoma.					
Columbian Mem'l (1d'n)	J. Leighton Read.....	110	5	4	6	9	244	450	86	50	6	11	50	15	1	115	15	93	164	Lawton, Oklahoma.				
Vermilye Memorial	R. H. Harper.....	30	3	4	6	64	161	25	3	12	4	100	2	200	28	200	28	164	McKee, Kentucky.					
McKee, Kentucky	Vacant	68	4	1	3	95	95	8	8	4	4	4	4	3	350	29	5	114	Annyville, Kentucky.					
Annyville, Kentucky	Vacant	82	26	6	6	231	70	11	16	140	70	1	110	70	1	110	82	566	Gray Hawk, Ky.					
Gray Hawk Mission	Robt. McElwee	100	9	3	9	189	70	3	18	4	75	2	200	62	200	62	163	Winnebago, Neb.						
Winnebago, Neb. (1d'n)	James O. Arthur	108	2	33	2	93	2	93	23	4	2	4	4	1	93	26	20	163	Mescalero, N. M.					
White Tail Canyon Ap'e	Erich T. Muller	108	2	33	3	141	35	7	70	1	1	22	9052	\$108,033	\$153,077	\$63,021	29	White Tail, N. M.						
Clove Valley Chapel	Peter Griglio	6278	471	225	157	202	12843	1317	723	455	387	83	724	570	42	9052	\$108,033	\$153,077	29	White Tail, N. M.				
Waldensian Congregati'n	William W. Clark	6278	471	225	157	202	12843	1317	723	455	387	83	724	570	42	9052	\$108,033	\$153,077	29	White Tail, N. M.				
Total		6278	471	225	157	202	12843	1317	723	455	387	83	724	570	42	9052	\$108,033	\$153,077	29	White Tail, N. M.				
<p><i>Other Ministers</i>—William W. Clark, No. 532 Clinton Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.; Roderick Terry, Newport, R. I.; E. A. Reed, Holyoke, Mass.; H. V. S. Myers, Shanghai, China; Fred J. Barney, Busrah, Arabia; Lewis R. Scudder, M. D., Ranipet, India; W. H. Miller, Upper Montclair, N. J.; E. A. Ohort, 66 Vermilyea Ave., N. Y. City; Arthur A. Fellstrom, 157 Lexington Ave., N. Y. City; Frank Hall Wright, St. Louis, Mo.; James Coffin Stout, 541 Lexington Ave., N. Y. City; G. C. Bennington, A. E. F. France; Edward B. Irish, A. E. F. France; Charles Park, A. E. F. France; Arthur F. Mabon, Y. M. C. A., France; Geo. S. Bolsterle, 34 Charlton Street, N. Y. City; P. H. Milliken, 419 W. 115th Street, N. Y. City; D. C. Snyder, Isaac Messler, G. A. Watermuller, Wm. A. Worthington, 34</p> <p><i>Classical Agents</i>—Foreign Missions, Henry E. Cobb; Domestic Missions, Winfred R. Ackert; Education, Robert W. Courtney; Pub. & Bible School Work, Daniel G. Verwey, P. M., Oscar M. Voorhees, Stated Clerk—Arthur B. Churchman, 400 East 67th St., N. Y. City.</p> <p><i>Treasurer</i>—W. R. Ackert, 416 W. 54th St., N. Y. City.</p> <p>•Last year's figures.</p>																								

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Other Ministers—H. A. Hendrickson, Lebanon, N. H.; Gilbert S. Garretson, Stratford, Conn.; W. W. Schomp, Beacon, N. Y.; George E. Lydecker, Grafton, Mass.; Peter Crispell, Newburgh, N. Y.; Benjamin T. Statess, Woodbourne, N. Y.; C. Morton Scipie, Napanoch, N. Y.; J. E. Crane, Wurtsboro, N. Y.; W. W. Wilcox, Walden, N. Y.; Henry Smith, Rifton, N. Y.

Classical Agents—F. M., Geo. B. Scholten; D. M., Willard Conger; Ed., S. Vandeburg; Pub. and B. S. W., Theo. F. Bayles; Dis. Min. and Widows' Funds, M. Seymour Purdy.

Stated Clerk—Wm. W. Schomp, Beacon, N. Y.

Treasurer—Sheldon Vandeburg, Walkill, N. Y.

•Last year's report.

†No financial report.

CLASSIS OF THE PALISADES.—P. S. N. B.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	No. of Church Families.	COMMUNICANTS.				OTHERS ENROLLED.			BAPTISMS.			C. C. & B. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.		
			On Confes- sion.	On Certifi- cate.	Gains.	Losses.	Total Number of Communicants.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Inactive List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non- Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enroll- ment.	For Denomina- tional Purposes.	For Other Objects.		For Congrega- tional Purposes.	
New Durham	I. W. Gowen.	600	38	13	13	14	1085				92	2				3	1069	\$3,476	\$1,043	\$6,662	Weehawken, N. J.
Clifton Chapel	Henry B. Allen, A. P.																				Weehawken, N. J.
Italian Mission	Vacant																				
First, Hoboken	Joseph D. Peters.	50	5	3	3	3	110	50	5	20	6	2	20	48	1	139	36	12	2,769	1220 Garden St., Hoboken.	
North Bergen	William Mager	186					6,291	150	10	26	53	1	100	40	2	514	1,148	1,688	4,987	411 Columbia St., Wee'n.	
Ger. Evang'l, Hoboken	John Rudolph	200	30	15	15	28	481	250	80	250	71	6	300	40	1	250	425	849	5,000	606 Garden St., Hoboken.	
Coytesville	Edward Kelder	78	2				1	106	26	30	7	7		31	1	151	117	20	2,500	Coytesville, N. J.	
Guttenberg	Harry A. Eliason.	150	11	1			3	132	62	6	10	11	1		1	250	193	82	3,711	326 24th St., Guttenberg.	
Central Ave., J. City	J. Harvey Murphy	260	21	4	2	5	480	100	150	35	11	1	50		1	458	2,134	813	8,083	173 Bowers St., J. City.	
Secaucus	Vacant	39					1	61							1	153		5	848	Secaucus, N. J.	
First, West Hoboken	James J. DeKraker	324	21	19	7	3	456	150	93	36	10	2		20	1	600	1,362	538	6,023	527 Palisades Av., W. H.	
Trinity W. New York.	A. W. Hopper.	265	13	7	6	6	475	100	70	71	189	3	26	2	870	372	199	7,313	409 16th St., W. N. Y.		
Woodcliff-on-the-Hudson	J. Clarence Miller	171	26	18	8	3	305	50	29	25	10	3	10	1	326	535	160	4,865	228 34th St., Woodcliff.		
Hope, West Hoboken	Vacant	100	25	5		1	120	40	28			17	3	60	11	1	200	36	197	2,258	Charles St., W. Hobok'n.
Total		2423	192	55	73		74,4102	978	501	480	477	23	530	136	16	4930	\$9,824	\$5,586	\$55,019		

Other Ministers—C. S. Wright, 1922 18th Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.; William Manchee, 128 William St., East Orange, N. J.; E. C. Sult, 270 N. Sandusky St., Tiffin, *Classical Agents*—F. M., J. C. Miller; D. M., I. W. Gowen; D. M. F. and W. F., Edward Kelder; P. and B. S. W., William Mager; E., C. S. Wright; P. M., J. D. Peters.
Stated Clerk—A. W. Hopper, 409 16th St., West New York, N. J.
Treasurer—William Manchee, 128 William St., East Orange, N. J.

CLASSIS OF PARAMUS.—P. S. N. B.—Continued.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	No. of Church Families.	COMMUNICANTS.					OTHERS ENROLLED.			BAPTISMS.				C. C. & B. S.				CONTRIBUTIONS.				P. O. ADDRESS.
			On Confes- sion.	On Certifi- cate.	Gains.	Losses.			Total Number of Communicants.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Inactive List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non-Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enroll- ment.	For Denomina- tional Purposes.	For Other Objects.	For Congrega- tional Purposes.		
Spring Valley	Albert Clark Wyckoff	136	.....	3	1	.....	4	267	100	30	22	11	.....	11	.....	1	190	475	145	3,675	Spring Valley, N. Y.
Tappan	Henry A. Lewis	27	4	1	4	.....	51	15	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	2	.....	1	155	211	65	1,304	Tappan, N. Y.
Upper Ridgewood	John A. Terhune	45	2	3	2	56	15	20	1	102	168	35	1,378	Ridgewood, N. J.	
Waldwick	Isaac Van Kampen	12	22	26	11	6	1	61	10	36	367	Monsey, N. Y.	
Warwick	Taber Knox	172	2	8	7	322	50	22	81	4	50	1	116	1,742	971	4,191	Warwick, N. Y.	
W. New Hempstead	H. T. Chadsey	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	54	10	7	5	5	.....	.....	12	.....	.....	.....	51	15	252	Monsey, N. Y.
Wortendyke, 1st Holland	William H. Campbell	90	3	4	4	.....	2	200	10	.....	6	10	250	85	1	152	213	50	1,718	Wortendyke, N. J.	
Wortendyke, Trinity	Charles H. Campbell	69	4	.....	.....	.....	57	35	13	22	2	2	.....	.....	.....	1	223	129	35	2,133	Wortendyke, N. J.
	J. H. Whitehead, P. Em	3748	184	149	123	.....	109,6183	914	843	416	212	33	1981	775	33	7146	\$22,590	\$12,956	\$116,460	Ridgewood, N. J.		
Total																							

Other Ministers—Cornellius R. Blauvelt, Nvack, N. Y.; Thos. S. Dusingberre, Pine Plains, N. Y.; Stephen W. Ryder, Aomori, Japan; D. Cornelius Ruigh, Morioko, Japan; Robert M. Offord, Passaic, N. J.; L. A. Talman, Amoy, China; N. H. Van Arsdale, Clifton, N. J.; J. N. Morris, Passaic, N. J. Agents—F. M., Edward Dawson; D. M., Tabor Knox; E. A. C. Wyckoff; P. and B. S. W., W. D. Brown; P. M., W. J. Lonsdale. *Stated Clerk and Treasurer*—Eugene Hill, 140 Passaic Ave., Garfield, N. J.

*Revised. †\$2,244 in chapel debt.

CLASSIS OF PASSAIC.—P. S. N. B.

CHURCHES.		PASTORS.		No. of Church Families.		COMMUNICANTS.			OTHERS ENROLLED.			BAPTISMS.			C. C. & B. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.		
						Gains.		Losses.		Total Number of Communicants.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Inactive List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non-Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enrollment.	For Denominational Purposes.		For Other Objects.	For Congregational Purposes.
						On Confession.	On Certification.	By Dismissal.	By Discipline.															By Death.
Boonton	Vacant	75	6	7	3	3	135	45	50	39	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	203	\$140	\$54	\$1,848	Boonton, N. J.
Fairfield	Lawrence Leslie Leaver.	40	2	2	2	2	76	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	60	53	.....	1,550	Fairfield, N. J.
Lincoln Park, First.	Vacant	40	25	36	5	3	61	45	60	40	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	269	836	45	1,500	Lincoln Park, N. J.
Little Falls, First.	Vacant	110	4	3	8	1	185	45	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	75	218	115	3,110	Little Falls, N. J.
Little Falls, Second.	John Sietsema	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	79	25	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	87	42	74	1,305	Little Falls, N. J.
Mountain Lakes	Supplied	50	14	1	2	.....	77	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	164	152	183	5,868	Mountain Lakes, N. J.
Mountville	Teunis E. Gouwens.	94	18	20	1	.....	161	43	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	300	607	92	5,944	Paterson, N. J.
People's Park	Titus Hager	170	12	5	3	.....	10	250	25	5	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	245	498	243	5,529	Pompton Lakes, N. J.
Pompton	Charles M. Dixon.	170	11	6	3	.....	5	241	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	356	1,029	649	5,529	Pompton Plains, N. J.
Pompton Plains	Fred E. Foerther.	264	10	3	16	.....	9	355	192	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	87	.....	.....	806	Oakland, N. J.
Ponds	Vacant	72	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	97	24	22	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	116	149	153	1,897	Paterson, N. J.
Preakness	George W. Labaw.	38	1	2	5	.....	2	82	30	21	12	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	252	386	86	3,733	Paterson, N. J.
Riverside	John B. Church.	110	9	1	2	.....	3	167	21	14	30	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	600	3,699	2,261	6,095	Paterson, N. J.
Sixth, Holland	H. P. Schuurman.	400	13	9	4	.....	20	677	.....	100	40	23	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	244	950	1,002	4,413	Paterson, N. J.
Totowa, First	Thomas Powell Vernoll.	139	4	9	6	.....	1	13	243	4	16	89	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	275	690	1,048	3,691	Paterson, N. J.
Union Reformed	John Luxen	200	11	3	12	.....	3	275	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	161	90	38	2,116	Wanaque, N. J.
Wanaque	Vacant	85	17	3	3	.....	3	104	60	18	12	19	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	184	166	65	2,073	Wyckoff, N. J.
Wyckoff	Archibald F. Parker.	124	1	8	1	.....	2	187	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	184	166	65	2,073	Wyckoff, N. J.
Total		2221	156	118	75	21	85,3452	539	525	355	138	31,1520	747	21	3678	93,705	\$6,620	\$56,627					

Total Ministers—E. C. Scudder, Tindivanam, India; H. E. Nies, 813 East 22nd street, Paterson, N. J.; S. Zandstra, 813 East 22nd St., Paterson, N. J.; Elmer W. K. Mould, Elmira, N. Y.; Herbert A. Deck.

Classical Agents—F. M., F. E. Foertner; D. M., John Luxen; E., T. E. Gouwens; W. F. and D. M. F., John B. Church; P. and B. S. W., C. M. Dixon; P. M., H. A. Deck

Stated Clerk—Geo. W. Labaw, R. R. 1, Paterson, N. J.

Treasurer—John B. Church, 518 River St., Paterson, N. J.

*Revised list.

CLASSIS OF PELLA.—P. S. C.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	No. of Church Families.	COMMUNICANTS.					OTHERS ENROLLED.		BAPTISMS.			C. C. & B. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.		
			On Confes- sion.	On Certifi- cate.	By Dismissal.	By Discipline.	By Death.	Total Number of Communicants.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Inactive List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non- Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enroll- ment.	For Denomina- tional Purposes.		For Other Objects.	For Congrega- tional Purposes.
Bethany	Albert Bakker	48	7	7	13	5	65	3	3	4	1	100	43	97	\$119	\$93	\$1,114	Sully, Iowa. R. R. 1.			
Bethel	Vacant	41	2	2	3	2	88	11	1	7	7	90	1	70	347	200	1,415	Pella, Iowa. R. R. 1.			
Central (Oskaloosa)	S. DeBruine	22	2	1	2	2	40	15	8	9	5	45	1	58	102	20	732	Oskaloosa, Iowa. R. R. 1.			
Eddyville	Vacant	16	2	2	2	2	35	6	12	10	4	52	1	40	180	93	1,231	Eddyville, Iowa. R. R. 1.			
Ebenezer (Leighton)	John Ossewaarde	75	10	8	8	...	4	151	...	...	7	3	154	100	1	1,208	64	2,411	Leighton, Iowa. R. R. 1.
*Galesburg	Vacant	10	...	...	...	...	18	40	...	2	2	30	1	20	84	17	400	Reasoner, Iowa. R. R. 1.	
Killduff	Vacant	20	2	...	...	...	1	31	10	2	3	4	33	27	1	111	122	815	Killduff, Iowa.
New Sharon	Edward Huibregtse	34	4	...	...	...	77	4	3	...	7	73	15	100	273	55	1,103	New Sharon, Iowa.	
Otley	Peter Grooters	102	3	6	9	...	4	145	60	9	4	144	50	1	150	1,522	185	1,802	Otley, Iowa.		
Pella, First	J. Wessellink	259	41	25	9	...	14	573	50	31	13	7	247	225	1	400	3,331	5,910	Pella, Iowa.		
Pella, Second	H. M. Bruins	175	8	3	7	...	1	417	65	60	...	15	2	120	65	1	503	3,349	Pella, Iowa.		
Pella, Third	Peter Braak	165	29	18	5	...	10	350	65	2	...	15	1	375	200	1	250	†8,567	Pella, Iowa.		
Prairie City	G. Flikkema	47	4	3	7	...	2	94	20	2	...	8	2	82	35	1	90	299	90	2,383	
Sully	Vacant	30	3	2	48	20	1	4	13	2	70	...	1	60	108	10	954	
Total	Total	1044	117	69	73	...	38	2132	366	134	45	102	18	1615	760	15	2046	\$15,554	\$1,745	\$32,106	

Other Ministers—H. P. De Pree, Amoy, China; C. De Haai, Pella, Iowa; B. F. Brinkman, Pella, Iowa; E. Van den Berge, 700 Loucks Ave., Peoria, Ill.; J. Heemstra, Pella, Iowa.

Classical Agents—F. M., H. M. Bruins; D. M., J. Wessellink; E., S. DeBruine; P. and B. S. W., E. Huibregtse; W. F. and D. M. F., Elder J. Dykstra, Pella, Iowa; S. B., Dr. M. J. Hoffman; W. I. M., B. M. Flikkema; P. M., J. Ossewaarde.

Stated Clerk and Treasurer—Peter Grooters, Otley, Iowa.

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†Including \$1,157 personal gifts to Central College.

††\$5,957 for new church.

CLASSIS OF PHILADELPHIA.—P. S. N. B.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	No. of Church Families.	COMMUNICANTS.				OTHERS ENROLLED.		BAPTISMS.			C. C. & B. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.			
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					By Dismissal.	By Discipline.															
N. and S. Hampton.....	J. S. Roddy, S. S.	110	2	8	6	5	35	67	11	4	3	425	\$1,759	\$2,665	Churchville, Pa.		
Harlingen.....	William Louis Sahler.....	106	3	7	5	5	29	44	7	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	408	937	2,494	Harlingen, N. J.
Neshanic.....	John Hart.....	80	3	5	10	1	60	60	1	1	80	.....	.....	.....	4	444	557	2,648	Neshanic, N. J.
Philadelphia, First.....	Harris A. Freer.....	161	5	5	5	1	220	63	40	1	15	12	1	322	788	240	6,407	2228 N. 18th St., Phila.			
Philadelphia, Fourth.....	Frank S. Fry.....	237	19	13	6	1	466	100	8	120	11	4	.....	.....	1	409	859	5,247	310 Monastery Av., Phil.
Blawenburg.....	Henry K. Hotelling.....	54	6	2	6	1	130	25	2	2	5	15	.....	.....	1	110	281	1,153	Blawenburg, N. J.
Stanton.....	Vacant.....	39	2	1	1	7	6	1	2	1	30	68	90	503	Stanton, N. J.	
Clover Hill.....	T. A. Beekman.....	40	8	8	4	.....	78	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	40	56	700	Clover Hill, N. J.
Philadelphia, Fifth.....	Charles F. C. Suckow.....	114	3	.....	3	.....	192	.....	17	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	155	338	1,948	2223 E. Sus. Av., Phila.
Addisville.....	Andrew Judson Walter.....	95	1	2	2	.....	120	65	6	10	.....	20	5	1	152	374	873	2,049	Richboro, Pa.
Three Bridges.....	M. N. Kalemjian.....	80	11	2	6	177	34	39	.....	10	20	35	1	110	204	172	2,349	Three Bridges, N. J.		
Philadelphia, Talmage.....	William R. Rearick.....	125	5	7	1	.....	193	46	5	10	10	.....	.....	.....	1	402	278	2,613	4331 Pechin St., Phila.
Timmons-ville, S. C., Zion A. J. Wilkinson.....	.....	8	*2	2	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	1	.....	6	23	1	.....	6	15	Timmons-ville, S. C.
Florence, S. C., All Souls D. G. Garland.....	16	8	5	1	6	1	16	14	52	Florence, S. C.	
Total.....	.....	1265	75	52	41	2	49,2420	404	254	180	751	29	176	881	22	3070	\$8,817	\$30,832	.....	

Other Ministers—N. I. M. Bogert, Metuchen, N. J.; John S. Van Orden, Spring Valley, N. Y.; Horace P. Craig, Bingham, Maine; G. A. T. Goebel, Milwaukee, Wis.; Chas. W. Pitcher, Plainfield, N. J.; H. A. Barnes, Florence, S. C.

Classical Agents—F. M., W. L. Sahler; D. M., M. N. Kalemjian; P and B. S. W., W. R. Rearick; E. C., F. C. Suckow; D. M. F. and W. F. Harris A. Freer; P. M., H. K. Hotelling

Stated Clerk and Treasurer—Andrew Judson Walter, Richboro, Pa.

*One union school

CLASSIS OF PLEASANT PRAIRIE.—P. S. C.

JUNE, 1919.

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CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	No. of Church Families.	COMMUNICANTS.				OTHERS ENROLLED.		BAPTISMS.			C. C. & B. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.		
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Alexander	John Schaefer	38	2	2	3	3	52	90	1	1	4	4	108	29	1	71	\$260	\$103	\$926	Alexander, Iowa.
Aplington	George Schnucker	77	26	4	3	1	109	109	1	1	9	9	112	51	1	115	1,380	379	3,238	Aplington, Iowa.
Baileyville	Vacant	42	7	7	1	1	51	50	2	2	1	1	54	12	1	45	517	30	1,146	Baileyville, Illinois.
Bristow	A. Wubben	33	7	7	4	4	42	35	9	2	6	6	62	15	1	50	331	30	938	Bristow, Iowa.
Buffalo Center	J. H. Schoon	90	6	6	1	1	118	140	3	2	7	7	260	25	1	145	681	52	1,706	Buffalo Center, Iowa.
Dumont	J. H. Brandau	36	1	1	1	1	36	35	3	3	6	6	44	7	1	30	336	33	1,065	Dumont, Iowa.
Ebenezer	Wm. Diekhoff	99	1	1	1	1	69	172	4	4	11	11	158	32	1	77	834	35	1,360	Oregon, Illinois.
Elm	F. H. Kroesche	30	1	1	1	1	60	58	10	10	3	3	71	8	1	85	186	35	620	Kings, Illinois.
Fairview	A. Wubben	10	7	7	1	1	7	18	4	4	7	7	12	12	1	25	121	468	223	Forreston, Iowa.
Forreston	J. G. Theilken	80	7	2	5	5	93	156	2	2	7	7	154	26	1	105	1,871	145	1,463	Forreston, Ills.
Immanuel	A. H. Waalkes	60	4	4	1	1	78	17	1	1	5	5	195	68	1	103	356	145	1,698	Belmond, Iowa.
Meservey	H. Pannkuk	64	12	2	2	2	121	65	7	7	12	12	170	60	1	112	1,665	176	1,441	Meservey, Iowa.
Monroe	E. K. Russmann	83	15	2	2	2	85	90	8	8	16	16	200	37	1	83	380	1,000	1,000	Aplington, Iowa.
Parkersburg	D. Siensen	62	2	2	2	2	63	65	2	2	8	8	120	41	3	84	708	97	1,350	Parkersburg, Iowa.
Pekin, Second	W. Denekas	41	2	2	2	2	96	20	6	6	4	4	117	11	1	130	16	23	921	Pekin, Illinois.
Peoria	A. J. Reeves	52	2	1	1	1	57	61	10	6	1	1	56	12	1	153	293	33	1,653	418 Reed Av., Peoria, Ill.
Ramsay	G. Haken	53	3	3	4	4	113	35	3	3	7	7	160	15	1	105	197	30	2,167	Tiptonka, Iowa.
Silver Creek	A. C. Kroesche	121	1	1	1	1	117	172	5	5	3	3	113	30	1	142	1,393	156	3,652	German Valley, Illinois.
Stout	F. Reeves	61	7	2	4	4	64	85	2	2	8	8	113	25	1	107	1,020	37	1,378	Stout, Iowa.
Washington	Geo. Wm. Bonte	54	32	1	2	2	85	120	7	7	7	7	140	30	1	105	609	260	1,250	Ackley, Iowa.
Wellsburg	Wm. Landsiedel	80	13	5	11	11	79	147	2	2	2	2	131	31	1	152	520	290	10,320	Wellsburg, Iowa.
Zion	W. T. Janssen	40	2	2	2	2	64	28	12	12	6	6	123	44	1	75	669	1,106	1,490	Chapin, Iowa.
Total		1306	138	21	8	2	50,153	1768	73	35	133	7,257	610	24	2099	\$14,343	\$4,453	\$41,141		

Other Ministers—A. F. Beyer, German Valley, Ill.; G. Veenker, Classical Missionary, Mason City, Ia.; Daniel Schaefer, Freeport, Ill.; F. Bosch, Principal Pl. Prairie Academy, German Valley, Ill.; G. Zindler, Aplington, Ia.; F. Schaefer, Freeport, Ill.; L. Watermuller, Freeport, Ill.; H. Pot- geter, Oregon, Ill.
Classical Agents—F. M., J. H. Schoon; D. M., A. Wubben; E., D. Schaefer; P. and B. S. W., H. Pannkuk; W. T. S., W. T. Janssen; W. I. M., W. Landsiedel.
Stated Clerk and Treasurer—G. Schnucker, Aplington, Iowa.

CLASSIS OF POUGHKEEPSIE.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	No. of Church Families.	COMMUNICANTS.				OTHERS ENROLLED.			BAPTISMS.			C. C. & B. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.				P. O. ADDRESS.		
			On Confes- sion.	On Certifi- cate.	Losses.		Total Number of Communicants.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Inactive List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non- Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enroll- ment.	For Denomina- tional Purposes.	For Other Objects.	For Congrega- tional Purposes.			
					Gains.	By Dismissal.															By Discipline.	By Death.
Poughkeepsie	Clifford P. Case	403	6	5	11	15	490	204	97	5	1	1	1	1	1	254	\$2,634	\$2,218	*\$6,500	Poughkeepsie, N. Y.		
Fishkill	Charles Herge	85	5	8	1	6	132	50	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	66	228	14	3,173	Fishkill, N. Y.		
Hopewell	William A. Service	102	2	1	2	6	170	11	30	1	1	1	1	1	1	186	315	216	1,665	Hopewell Junction, N. Y.		
New Hackensack	A. M. Conger	80	1	1	1	2	112	50	30	2	2	14	14	2	2	177	258	96	1,351	New Hackensack, N. Y.		
Rhinebeck	Peter E. Huyler	150	3	4	2	5	205	40	30	2	2	30	30	2	2	150	403	1,118	4,900	Rhinebeck, N. Y.		
Beacon	A. C. V. Dangremond	139	4	2	1	3	232	25	111	2	2	15	15	1	1	122	999	359	3,115	Beacon, N. Y.		
Hyde Park	Vacant	75	1	1	1	1	101	16	8	9	1	1	1	1	1	69	79	10	851			
Glenham	Vacant	15	1	1	1	1	23	6	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	25	474	107	319			
Millbrook	J. Edward Lyall	89	3	3	3	4	137	70	67	30	1	1	1	1	1	97	474	107	2,249	South Millbrook, N. Y.		
First, Arlington	Addison C. Bird	89	4	116	15	24	5	2	5	2	3	26	26	1	1	144	41	18	1,343	Poughkeepsie, N. Y.		
Upper Red Hook	Vacant	40	6	3	3	1	93	11	7	32	3	2	28	18	1	128	330	29	**867	Poughkeepsie, N. Y.		
Emmanuel, Poughkeepsie	Addison C. Bird, S. S.	25	25	4	4	2	38	25	174	25	8	113	24	13	1479	5,761	\$4,185	*2,230	Poughkeepsie, N. Y.			
Total		1190	27	261	27	48	1849	308	496	174	25	8	113	24	13	1479	\$5,761	\$4,185	\$27,603			

Other Ministers—Wm. Bancroft Hill, Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.; Frank E. Duddy, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.; Cornelius Vandermel, Goshen, Ind.; Harvey Ira Todd, Amoy, China; Pietro Moncada, Newburgh, N. Y.

Classical Agents—F. M., J. Edward Lyall; D. M., C. P. Case; F. and B. S. W., Peter E. Huyler.

Stated Clerk—Addison C. Bird, 132 College Ave., Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

•\$2,128 for building fund.

••Last year's report.

CLASSIS OF RARITAN.—P. S. N. B.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	No. of Church Families.	COMMUNICANTS.					OTHERS ENROLLED.		BAPTISMS.			C. C. & B. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.		P. O. ADDRESS.				
			On Confes- sion.	On Certifi- cate.	Gains.	Losses.		Total Number of Communicants.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Inactive List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non-Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enroll- ment.		For Denomina- tional Purposes.	For Other Objects.	For Congrega- tional Purposes.	
						By Dismiss- al.	By Disci- pline.															By Death.
First, Raritan	Nathaniel J. Sproul.....	224	15	24	...	...	...	12	414	20	70	38	7	5	...	...	1	340	\$1,548	\$837	\$9,249	Somerville, N. J.
Readington	E. V. D. Wyckoff.....	105	4	2	3	...	...	3	214	50	40	...	2	1	30	...	2	190	355	85	1,872	Readington, N. J.
Bedminster	Chas. Gilbert Mallory...	90	2	6	...	...	...	5	182	22	21	38	1	1	40	...	1	143	816	281	2,062	Bedminster, N. J.
Lebanon	Claudius J. Fingar.....	125	9	4	3	...	...	16	*280	25	35	35	8	...	...	*	156	629	261	2,757	Lebanon, N. J.	
Rockaway	A. C. Van Raalte.....	91	17	8	1	...	...	1	178	83	44	...	1	7	17	...	1	140	146	276	2,400	Whitehouse, N. J.
North Branch	Louis F. Sauerbrunn....	96	3	10	...	...	...	3	146	50	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	125	556	282	1,423	North Branch, N. J.
Second, Raritan	Joseph R. Sizoo.....	367	42	15	8	...	...	22	886	200	53	112	24	11	125	...	1	778	1,921	913	7,894	Somerville, N. J.
Peapack	Frederick N. Baeder....	95	3	5	4	...	...	2	236	50	95	...	4	...	...	...	1	177	234	58	2,313	Gladstone, N. J.
South Branch	Marion G. Gosselink....	71	4	3	4	...	...	9	153	19	80	21	5	1	25	...	2	148	320	80	1,450	South Branch, N. J.
Third, Raritan	J. A. Lumley.....	85	8	3	4	...	...	7	192	75	34	...	3	7	...	...	1	285	284	410	3,841	Raritan, N. J.
Pottersville	J. Clewell Ottinger....	48	1	2	1	...	...	2	100	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	1	75	80	55	2,200	Pottersville, N. J.
High Bridge	David R. Reese.....	110	2	3	2	...	...	2	257	48	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	170	238	188	2,453	High Bridge, N. J.
Annandale	M. F. Luther.....	77	2	7	2	...	...	2	112	18	12	...	3	...	...	...	1	110	55	120	1,809	Annandale, N. J.
Fourth, Raritan	H. E. Dahhoff.....	55	...	...	...	...	...	2	169	...	7	1	8	...	...	...	1	119	105	63	1,500	Somerville, N. J.
Total		1639	106	83	43	...	...	88	3499	660	491	245	70	49	237	4	16	2986	\$7,287	\$3,909	\$43,129	

Other Ministers—E. G. Read, 825 Second Pl., Plainfield, N. J.; Wm. E. Davis, Lebanon, N. J.; John L. Stillwell, Somerville, N. J.; Wm. S. Cranmer, Somerville, N. J.
 Classical Agents—F. M., C. J. Fingar; D. M., L. F. Sauerbrunn; E., A. C. Van Raalte; P. and B. S. W., F. N. Baeder; W. F. and D. M. F., C. G. Mallory; P. M., J. C. Ottinger
 Stated Clerk and Treasurer—B. V. D. Wyckoff, Readington, N. J.
 *Revised roll, †Two outside schools union.

CLASSIS OF RENNELSLAER.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.						OTHERS ENROLLED.			BAPTISMS.			C. C. & B. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.		P. O. ADDRESS.					
		No. of Church Families.	Gains.		Losses.		Total Number of Communicants.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Inactive List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non-Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enrollment.	For Denominational Purposes.	For Other Objects.		For Congregational Purposes.				
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Blooming Grove	John C. Bulness.....	48	5	1	1	1	168	1	8	375	32	91	23	4	5	18	12	1	156	\$180	\$112	\$1,582	Troy, N. Y., R. D. 4.	
Castleton (Emmanuel)	Ed. A. MacCollum.....	170	15	8	5	2	275	8	276	86	56	91	23	9	6	18	12	2	275	4	1	3,224	Castleton, N. Y.	
Chatham	R. C. Wright.....	140	23	25	2	3	276	6	276	86	56	91	23	6	9	20	20	1	316	307	110	3,058	Chatham, N. Y.	
Ghent, First	Vacant	57	1	1	1	1	71	3	71	30	58	21	12	1	1	1	1	1	140	86	36	701	Ghent, N. Y.	
Ghent, Second	Vacant	67	1	1	3	2	123	15	123	15	12	12	12	1	1	24	12	1	140	97	44	1,441	Ghent, N. Y., R. D. 1.	
Greenbush	Homer Lewis Sheffer.....	130	7	6	4	4	167	75	14	40	8	14	40	8	1	50	6	1	290	274	183	2,110	East Greenbush, N. Y.	
Kinderhook	E. C. Vanderlaan.....	110	2	6	5	4	186	30	5	36	4	1	36	4	4	1	50	6	1	297	704	193	2,204	Kinderhook, N. Y.
Nassau	E. A. Collier, P. Em.....	84	3	1	2	1	8	116	25	62	27	3	27	3	1	1	1	1	99	273	46	1,250	Nassau, N. Y.	
New Concord	D. H. Chrestensen.....	19	3	1	2	1	33	12	18	16	1	16	16	1	1	1	1	1	33	13	13	300	Ghent, N. Y.	
Rensselaer, First	Vacant	35	1	2	2	1	62	22	10	10	1	10	10	1	1	1	1	1	61	86	7	812	Rensselaer, N. Y.	
Schodack	Vacant	66	3	1	1	1	110	25	35	35	1	35	35	1	1	1	1	1	45	73	105	1,097	Schodack, N. Y.	
Schodack Landing	Vacant	36	1	1	1	2	50	10	9	9	1	9	9	1	1	1	1	1	22	50	50	719	Schodack Landing, N. Y.	
Stuyvesant	Vacant	28	1	1	6	1	42	8	31	4	1	31	31	1	1	1	1	1	31	50	25	1,326	Stuyvesant, N. Y.	
Stuyvesant Falls	John R. Howard.....	56	1	13	1	1	67	32	6	6	2	1	6	2	1	1	1	1	22	25	25	207	Stuyvesant Falls, N. Y.	
Total		1036	62	70	36	41	1816	370	411	173	35	27	92	50	151	1901	\$2,815	\$986	\$20,034					

Other Ministers—Isaac S. Schenk New Brunswick, N. J.; Wm. J. Leggett, Nyack, N. Y.; J. Perry Beaver, East Chatham, N. Y.
 J. W. Fisher, Jr., Schodack Landing, N. Y.
 Classical Agents—D. M., D. H. Chrestensen; E., J. J. Bulness; P. and B. S. W., John R. Howard; D. M. F. and W. F., J. S. Hosford, Kinderhook, N. Y.; P. M., E. A. MacCullum,
 Stated Clerk and Treasurer—D. H. Chrestensen, Nassau, N. Y.

CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COMMUNICANTS.					OTHERS ENROLLED.		BAPTISMS.			C. C. & B. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.			
		No. of Church Families.	Gains.		Losses.		Total Number of Communicants.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Inactive List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non-Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enrollment.	For Denominational Purposes.		For Other Objects.	For Congregational Purposes.	
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Abbe	John E. Bennink	132	26	4	2	2	5	303	10	16	15	6	9	88	1	270	\$2,218	\$25	\$2,754	Clymer, N. Y.	
Arcadia	Benjamin DeYoung	104	15	3	6	3	3	226	5	5	5	10	3	75	1	125	217	62	2,049	Newark, N. Y.	
Brighton	Vacant	140	20	11	3	4	4	240	...	8	...	12	2	147	1	317	376	93	2,230	Rochester, N. Y.	
Buffalo	W. R. Torrens	108	3	...	3	3	2	200	25	15	...	2	...	33	1	211	130	43	2,562	Buffalo, N. Y.	
Clymer Hill	Robert Kroodsma	68	...	...	...	...	5	140	2	3	...	...	...	33	1	87	367	8	996	Clymer, N. Y.
East Williamson	M. E. Koster	145	...	2	...	...	6	360	...	...	...	12	...	320	1	393	1,228	206	2,885	East Williamson, N. Y.
First, Marion	D. L. Betten	86	...	...	...	...	2	170	45	...	5	1	...	60	26	1	300	114	1,652	Marion, N. Y.
Second, Marion	John Wolterink	105	13	...	12	5	6	236	5	8	...	7	...	170	26	1	565	215	2,068	Marion, N. Y.	
Ontario	Gerrit H. Hospers	60	1	...	11	...	4	137	6	8	6	4	...	129	1	100	225	38	2,000	Ontario, N. Y.	
Palmeyra	Minor Stegenga	77	5	5	2	1	4	172	4	...	...	8	1	91	37	1	115	139	3,305	Palmeyra, N. Y.
Palmeyville	Henry E. Tellman	75	5	1	1	...	3	167	10	17	...	3	...	67	35	1	226	707	1,737	Palmeyville, N. Y.	
First, Rochester	Garret Hondelink	166	42	9	5	3	3	362	26	31	...	19	3	100	48	1	397	612	6,689	Rochester, N. Y.	
Second, Rochester	John A. Thurston	118	15	3	3	4	4	233	6	80	...	8	2	146	18	1	256	772	4,922	Rochester, N. Y.	
Sodus	S. M. Hogenboom	41	3	9	1	...	1	92	7	2	...	6	...	6	...	1	80	165	1,000	Sodus, N. Y.	
Tyre	Supplied	30	2	1	3	29	1	75	2	...	72	20	1	100	133	43	621	Waterloo, N. Y.
Williamson	C. Vander Schoor	62	8	6	4	...	6	128	2	...	7	...	1	100	250	117	1,674	Williamson, N. Y.
Total	1517	162	54	61	29	59	3241	151	193	26	101	27	1595	385	16	3147	\$8,544	\$1,588	\$38,334	

Other Ministers—G. Dangremond, Chicago, Ill.; P. G. M. Bahler, Williamson, N. Y.; S. A. Shilstra, Tellford, Pa.
 Classical Agents—F. M., G. Hondelink; D. M., D. L. Betten; E., H. E. Tellman; D. M. F. and W. F., M. Stegenga; P. and B. S. W., J. E. Bennink; P. M., J. A. Thurston.
 Stated Clerk and Treasurer—P. G. M. Bahler, Williamson, N. Y.

CLASSIS OF SARATOGA.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	No. of Church Families	COMMUNICANTS.					OTHERS ENROLLED.			BAPTISMS.			C. C. & B. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.	
			Gains.		Losses.			Total Number of Communicants.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Inactive List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non-Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enroll-ment.	For Denomina-tional Purposes.	For Other Objects.		For Congrega-tional Purposes.
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The Right	Oliver H. Walser, S. S.	44	2	1	1	1	79	47	24	...	3	1	45	\$88	\$87	\$615	Cohoes, N. Y.
Buskirk's	Supplied	89	3	3	3	6	49	24	27	...	1	1	47	161	3	508	Buskirk's, N. Y.
Cohoes	Oliver H. Walser.	200	3	3	1	2	332	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	1	209	923	160	5,218	Cohoes, N. Y.
Easton	Vacant	35	...	...	...	...	36	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Fort Miller	C. W. Kinney, S. S.	60	...	...	1	3	127	24	11	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	95	55	26	488	Fort Miller, N. Y.
Gansevoort	Vacant	37	...	...	...	4	63	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	104	56	...	245	Gansevoort, N. Y.
Greenwich	F. C. Scoville	70	...	...	1	11	168	11	39	...	1	...	...	...	...	2	83	557	143	1,823	Greenwich, N. Y.
Northumberland	Supplied	35	2	1	...	7	111	12	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	71	98	...	574	Schuylerville, N. Y.
Saratoga	C. W. Kinney.	100	...	...	4	146	25	45	30	...	6	...	...	...	...	1	134	158	59	2,150	Schuylerville, N. Y.
Schaghticoke	Vacant	26	3	3	5	...	66	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	1	25	20	...	320	Schaghticoke, N. Y.
West Troy, North.	H. P. Hamlin	100	6	3	2	8	230	28	53	14	...	...	...	...	...	1	209	491	392	4,334	Watervliet, N. Y.
Wynantskill	A. A. Seso, P. E.	50	...	...	...	2	90	10	25	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	70	75	...	800	Wynantskill, N. Y.
Total		796	20	9	15	33	1497	136	235	123	18	3	...	...	...	12	1092	\$2,682	\$968	\$17,065	

Other Ministers—Lyman E. Davis, Sharpsburg, Pa.; John G. Smart, Cambridge, N. Y.; Philip T. Phelps, 158 Jay Street, Albany.
 Classical Agents—F. M., H. F. Hamlin; D. M., Oliver H. Walser; E., F. C. Scoville; P. and B. S. W., H. F. Hamlin; P. M., C. W. Kinney.
 Stated Clerk—Oliver H. Walser, Cohoes, N. Y.
 Treasurer—S. B. Ketchum, Wynantskill, N. Y.

CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.—P. S. A

CHURCHES.	PASTORS	No. of Church Families.	COMMUNICANTS.					OTHERS ENROLLED.			BAPTISMS.			C. & B. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.
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Altamont	George W. Furbeck	96	9	3	4	...	3	205	25	2	1	1	140	\$425	\$104	\$1,956	Altamont.	
Amity	D. J. Maney, Jr.	35	2	2	4	51	18	1	38	54	...	389	Rexford. R. D.	
Glenville	John A. DeHollander	90	11	1	...	...	2	133	25	40	...	...	...	1	112	165	574	1,854	Amsterdam, R. D.
Helderberg	E. O. Moffett	86	3	5	...	...	7	153	30	11	...	114	...	1	170	197	62	1,378	Guilderland Centre.
Lisha's Kill	A. F. Marcle	79	15	4	2	...	1	127	36	...	...	...	...	1	170	328	49	2,090	West Albany, R. D.
Niskayuna	C. P. Ditmars	155	9	1	1	...	6	272	80	10	...	...	...	2	345	713	296	2,651	Niskayuna.
Princeton	Supplied	91	28	2	2	...	10	269	...	19	...	...	...	2	105	116	332	1,165	Duanesburgh, R. D.
Rotterdam	Alexander Hill	100	8	...	...	...	7	181	35	25	...	...	...	2	210	350	250	2,000	Pattersonville, R. D.
Rotterdam, Second	Wm. H. Nasholds	35	4	1	1	...	5	62	25	15	...	...	...	1	95	119	293	1,137	Schenectady, R. D.
Schenectady, First	Clayton J. Potter	270	7	3	3	...	14	318	90	38	...	...	...	2	210	560	286	*12,400	107 Union St., Schenectady, N. Y.
Schenectady, Second	John G. Meengs	295	14	6	4	...	9	575	83	40	...	...	...	4	368	1,314	400	8,448	Schenectady, N. Y.
Schenectady, Mt. Pleasant	E. O. Schwitters	165	9	22	3	...	3	252	85	25	...	...	...	1	220	775	506	4,386	Schenectady, N. Y.
Schenectady, Bellevue	Cornelius DeYoung	475	52	38	6	...	4	644	...	106	50	...	...	1	569	1,775	1,341	4,828	Schenectady, N. Y.
Scotia	Herbert B. Roberts	245	15	18	8	...	12	436	37	27	...	...	...	1	432	680	40	4,978	Scotia.
Woodlawn	H. C. Willoughby	95	8	11	5	...	3	131	40	15	...	...	...	1	298	133	61	1,721	Schenectady, N. Y.
Total		2311	192	117	41	...	90	3809	564	404	327	113	61	487	269	18	3482	\$7,694	\$4,414	\$51,581

Other Ministers—Robert J. Hogan, Gloversville, N. Y.; J. O. Van Fleet, Schenectady, N. Y.; H. E. Van Vranken, Vellore, India; James H. Potter, India.

Classical Agents—F. M., John G. Meengs; D. M., George W. Furbeck; E., J. A. DeHollander; D. M. F., and W. F., Allen F. Marcle; P. M., David J. Maney, Jr.; P. and B. S. W., H. B. Roberts.

Stated Clerk and Treasurer—C. P. Ditmars, Niskayuna, N. Y.

*\$6,000.00 to cancel church debt.

CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE.—P. S. A.

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Beaverdam	Vacant	50	2	1	1	1	18	3	1	2	2	2	2	6	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2

Other Ministers—John H. Brandow, Synodical Missionary, P. S. A., 59 Manning Boulevard, Albany, N. Y.; E. J. Ruliffson, Deansboro, N. Y.; John H. Scarlet, Newtonville, N. Y.; William A. Wurts, Sharon Springs, N. Y.
Classical Agents—F. M., James L. Amerman; D. M., George Z. Collier; P. and B. S. W., H. D. Frost; P. M., F. L. Casper.
Stated Clerk and Treasurer—Harry C. Morehouse, Howe's Cave, N. Y.
 *Pastor of Federated Church. †\$262 on parsonage debt.

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Alton	Jacob P. De Jong	90	3	1	7	3	217	3	20	11	2	160	90	1	152	\$5,163	\$600	\$2,702 Alton, Iowa.	
Archer	Vacant	30	4	2	7	46	33	11	2	8	5	70	50	1	55	500	150	1,353 Archer, Iowa.	
Bigelow, Minn.	Vacant	13	2	7	5	3	33	11	1	5	5	63	25	1	...	55	5	492 Bigelow, Minn.	
Boydton	R. D. Douwstra	123	12	7	10	4	223	8	1	6	21	348	120	1	225	2,095	1,115	5,466 Boydton, Iowa.	
Firth, Neb.	S. E. Koster	26	12	11	1	67	...	...	...	6	4	61	80	1	...	127	...	1,450 Firth, Neb.
Free Grace (Middleburg)	H. Douwstra	92	14	4	7	143	5	4	...	10	290	150	1	160	1,802	150	1,736 Orange City, Iowa, R. 1.		
Holland, Neb.	Z. Roetman	134	14	4	31	5	332	41	4	11	...	263	193	1	272	4,646	1,165	2,061 Holland, Nebraska.	
Hospers	Geo. H. Douwstra	77	9	10	13	3	188	9	1	11	...	242	160	1	200	1,902	257	35,182 Hospers, Iowa.	
Ireton	Wm. Stegeman	34	3	1	3	2	35	6	2	3	3	92	30	1	44	233	13	1,050 Ireton, Iowa.	
Lester	Vacant	22	3	3	16	2	50	5	...	2	...	52	13	1	...	162	437	223 Lester, Iowa.	
Luctor, Kan.	C. Lepeltak	19	3	1	8	20	22	...	...	40	29	47	31	1	47	318	89	655 Prairie View, Kan., R. 1.
Matlock	Vacant	14	4	2	7	28	19	1	1	4	45	28	1	31	164	...	...	773 Matlock, Iowa.
Melvin	Paul Van Eerden, P. E.	22	1	5	7	39	19	1	1	1	57	20	1	35	50	60	1,483 Melvin, Iowa.		
Newkirk	Henry J. Veldman	109	15	10	12	2	240	12	10	18	...	310	165	1	200	2,628	996	4,732 Hospers, Iowa, R. R. 1.	
Orange City, First	J. Engelsman	232	15	26	15	9	578	65	17	23	...	684	269	1	341	22,672	2,105	5,237 Orange City, Iowa.	
Pella, Neb.	Wm. Rottschaefer	74	6	11	2	1	165	19	8	8	...	147	87	1	135	1,458	419	2,262 Adams, Neb.	
Prairie View, Kan.	F. B. Mansen	75	6	1	1	1	174	3	9	3	...	174	125	1	173	828	241	2,327 Prairie View, Kansas.	
Rock Rapids	S. J. Menning	23	1	13	8	2	45	4	4	4	...	51	63	1	50	184	118	1,133 Rock Rapids, Iowa.	
Rottterdam, Kan.	John Hoffman	23	2	2	2	50	61	12	1	7	...	41	20	1	63	106	18	509 Cawker City, Kan., R. 3.	
Sanborn	B. R. Van Zyl	37	6	5	5	92	6	2	9	16	...	110	50	1	75	358	278	1,881 Sanborn, Iowa.	
Sheldon	H. Van der Naald	130	9	16	7	6	218	104	5	16	...	285	166	1	182	1,640	180	2,893 Sheldon, Iowa.	
Sibley	E. Furda	23	6	9	10	2	42	12	1	2	...	75	12	1	72	135	117	1,002 Sibley, Iowa.	
Sioux City	Vacant	25	...	25	...	25	...	...	...	8	...	91	7	1	30	323	75	400 Sioux City, Iowa.
Wichita, Kan.	D. J. DeBey, S. S.	14	...	2	...	21	...	10	2	2	...	27	1	1	55	32	...	Wichita, Kansas.	
Total		1461	143	153	162	...	50,3073	368	92	28	184	8,3739	1889	24	2647	\$47,583	\$8,588	\$76,982	

Other Ministers—Jacob Van Houte (Emeritus), Boydton, Ia.; G. J. Pennings, Bahrein, Arabia; H. Kuypier, Orange City, Iowa; John H. Bruggers, Thos. E. Welmers, Orange City, Iowa.
 Classical Agents—F. M., S. E. Koster; D. M., G. H. Douwstra; E. H. Van der Naald; D. M. F. and W. F., R. D. Douwstra; P. and B. S. W., F. B. Mansen; S. B., W. Stegeman; P. M., B. R. Van Zyl.
 Stated Clerk and Treasurer—Thomas E. Welmers, Orange City, Iowa.
 *Revised list.
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No. of Church Families.		14	9	13	10	7	1	20	12	10	156	40	26	1	32	\$480	\$500	\$150	Alvord, Iowa.				
Alvord	Vacant	73	13	10	7	1	112	38	1	10	2	156	109	26	1	32	1,604	177	4,448	Leota, Minnesota.			
Bethel (Leota)	J. J. Van der Schaaf	62	5	8	10	5	103	3	1	15	2	214	95	1	95	1,064	1,064	3,071	Rock Valley, Iowa.				
Carmel	H. E. Reinhardt	50	3	9	7	2	97	21	3	10	1	140	90	1	95	525	166	1,900	Chandler, Minnesota.				
Churchville	Geo. E. Cook	20	1	3	3	1	27	4	3	3	1	70	50	1	40	66	29	1,104	Pipestone, Minn., R. 1				
Clara City	Vacant	11	3	11	2	2	27	4	3	3	...	140	50	1	40	31	12	365	Clara City, Minnesota.				
Doon	E. S. Schilstra	30	3	11	2	2	52	9	10	2	111	65	1	70	378	75	158	1,562	Doon, Iowa.				
Edgerton	John De Jongh	65	3	8	5	2	117	27	7	1	141	55	1	90	658	158	...	3,358	Edgerton, Minn.				
Fairview	Vacant	17	3	...	...	...	20	7	...	3	...	11	...	...	10	...	...	296	Fairview, S. Dakota.
Friesland	Vacant	4	...	...	...	...	9	...	...	1	34	14	1	...	100	...	...	73	Sandstone, Minnesota.
Fruitland Mesa	J. W. Te Selle, S. S.	8	...	...	...	...	11	11	3	1	2	348	170	1	278	5,980	1,805	8,631	Hull, Iowa.
Hull, First	J. H. Kregel	161	18	9	29	1	297	...	3	29	3	60	21	1	58	...	...	4,969	Inwood, Iowa.		
Inwood	H. S. Mullenburg	25	6	8	1	...	50	...	...	3	60	21	1	58	...	...	...	3,331	Maurice, Iowa.
Maurice	J. S. Vander Beek	100	4	21	9	4	195	17	7	15	205	166	1	184	...	...	...	3,827	Rock Valley, Iowa.	
Rock Valley	H. Colenbrander	104	20	9	1	5	170	10	3	2	19	248	172	1	185	**4,772	288	8,732	Svea, Minn., R. 2.				
Roseland	P. Siegers	45	1	...	...	...	87	6	...	11	134	60	1	96	485	21	22	407	Sandstone, Minnesota.	
Sandstone	Vacant	24	2	...	...	...	5	...	...	2	...	87	40	1	69	66	18	1,471	Maple Lake, Minn.
Silver Creek	B. W. Lammers	44	1	2	2	1	104	22	12	8	1	195	75	1	75	653	22	3,590	Steen, Minn.				
Sioux Center, Central	A. Haverkamp	95	21	15	7	5	202	14	7	3	11	172	125	1	205	4,337	1,034	1,175	Sioux Center, Iowa.				
Sioux Center, First	F. Lubbers	212	14	11	14	2	440	2	5	...	32	605	298	1	392	\$13,529	5,500	5,066	Sioux Center, Iowa.				
Spring Creek	Vacant	5	...	...	...	...	14	...	...	...	...	13	...	...	...	...	...	...	Gary, Minn., R. R. 2.
Steen	G. Bosch	84	10	8	2	...	132	90	...	26	210	120	...	...	...	...	...	3,590	Steen, Minn.
Twin Brooks	J. J. Dragt, S. S.	10	2	1	...	...	22	25	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	113	Twin Brooks, S. Dakota.
Valley Springs	T. L. DeLange, P. E.	20	2	...	1	...	40	2	...	2	38	25	1	40	407	127	...	282	Valley Springs, S. Dak.				
Volga	Vacant	23	...	...	1	2	32	10	...	2	...	85	...	...	...	...	...	745	Volga, South Dakota.
Total		1,906	134	129	117	6	39,242	360	62	15	220	9,337	1776	20	2248	\$44,698	\$11,506	\$60,694					

Other Ministers—Jas. De Pree, Sioux Center, Ia.; Jas. E. Moerdyk, Busrah, Arabia; G. D. Van Peursen, Muscat, Arabia; H. Poppen, Anoy, China; J. J. Dragt (Emeritus), Twin Brooks, S. D.; J. Brummel, Armour, S. D.; Jac. Poppen, Ph. D., Fairview, S. D.

Classical Missionaries—D. Scholten, Valley Springs, S. D.; J. W. Kots, Matlock, Iowa.

Candidate—F. H. DeJong, Maurice, Ia.

Classical Agents—F. M. E. S. Schilstra; D. M., J. Van der Beek; E., Geo. E. Cook; D. M. F. and W. F., D. Scholten; P. and B. S. W., J. J. Van der Schaaf; S. B. B. W. Lammers.

Stated Clerk and Treasurer—A. Haverkamp, Sioux Center, Iowa.

*Central College \$5,610.00. **Central College \$2,718.00. †Central College \$3,365.00.

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Blue Mountain	Vacant	*90			6		5	116	50	80	1	1				2	80	\$36	\$8	\$583	Saugerties.
Church of the Comforter	Wilbur F. Stowe	185	9	3	5	5	9	354	94	45	36	10	1	63		1	303	325	94	5,011	31 Wynkoop Pl., Kings'n.
Esopus	C. Van Oostenbrugge	70			2	1	2	115	50	10			2	20		2	100	50	25	855	Ulster Park.
Flatbush	John B. Steketee	53	2	4	4		2	109	29	34	87		29			2	165	47	50	1,199	Saugerties, R. F. D. 4.
Grand Gorge	C. N. Stevens	33					1	53								1	50			672	Grand Gorge.
High Woods	Wm. H. Dickens	55	2		4	4	1	77			1					1	90	29	5	710	Mount Marion.
Jay Gould Memorial	Henry S. Van Woert	80					2	145	62	22		4				1	60	66	34	2,442	Roxbury.
Katsbaan	Vacant	*61	8	8	2	2	2	119	21		8	4	14			1	104	40	22	1,144	Saugerties.
Kingston	James L. Leeper	225			5	5	8	551		75						2	300	1,341	1,726	7,648	109 Albany Av., Kingston.
Plattekill	Wm. H. Dickens	90	4	2	2	1	2	112			2					1	190	282	48	1,633	Port Ewen.
Port Ewen	Leonard Appeldoorn	115			1	2	1	190	33	21	22	4				1	102	427	99	5,627	Saugerties.
Saugerties	J. V. Wemple	125	14	5			2	245	150		40	40	3	5	15	1	47		60	490	Shokan.
Shandaken	Frank D. Blanchard	*40					51	60	40	40			1	9		1	35		10	900	Shokan.
Shokan	Frank D. Blanchard	30	2				3	61	50	98						1	55		10	250	Grand Gorge.
South Gilboa	C. N. Stevens	20					1	36	55	18	6					1	48	12		100	Woodstock.
West Hurley	Vacant	64			4	4	1	107	60	39	15	1				1	70		10	800	Woodstock.
Woodstock																					
Total		1371	46	25	36	1	40	2506	723	471	216	39	10	150		21	1847	\$3,046	\$2,146	\$30,856	

Other Ministers.—C. H. Polhemus, Ulster Park; Vacslav Ziegler, 351 E. 74th St., N. Y. City.
 Classical Agents.—F. M., W. F. Stowe; D. M., J. L. Leeper; Ed. L. Appeldoorn; W. F. and D. M. F., C. Van Oostenbrugge; P. and B. S. W., C. H. Polhemus; F. M., J. V. Wemple.
 Stated Clerk and Treasurer.—John B. Steketee, Saugerties, N. Y., R. D. 4.
 *Last year's report.

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Bronxville	Vacant	200	10	20	3	3	3	295	175	5	36	4	1	1	...	1	265	\$2,403	\$579	\$7,068	Bronxville, N. Y.	
Corlandtown	Claus Olandt	*85	11	1	3	3	7	*82	...	40	30	2	3	2	...	295	29	1,226	Montrose, N. Y.	
Crescent Place	John S. Allen, S. S.	68	4	7	1	1	1	70	50	6	6	1	105	55	87	1,332	Sherwood Pl., Yonkers.	
Greenburgh	J. W. Fisher, Jr.	*48	3	1	1	*61	23	15	15	3	3	1	24	1	81	104	19	998	Elmsford, N. Y.	
Greenville	C. A. Hallenback	41	...	2	2	1	66	25	25	20	6	12	...	1	61	107	96	1,297	Scarsdale, N. Y.	
Hastings	Elias W. Thompson	158	5	2	2	2	2	223	190	140	4	1	80	1	235	111	335	5,068	Hastings-on-Hudson.	
Hungarian, Peekskill	Vacant	31	10	6	38	10	...	3	3	48	...	1	42	...	15	450	Peekskill, N. Y.	
Mount Vernon	Chas. H. Tyndall	185	17	3	15	15	8	*324	...	58	117	2	3	2	210	1,085	422	5,717	Mount Vernon, N. Y.	
Mile Square, Yonkers	Ch. Armbruster, S. S.	47	1	...	6	6	...	91	3	3	1	100	100	19	1,487	Mile Sq., Yonkers, N. Y.	
Nyack	Sartell Prentice	180	4	9	8	8	4	348	3	3	1	131	953	518	6,036	Nyack, N. Y.	
Park Hill, Yonkers	A. I. Mann	250	9	15	11	11	4	382	50	79	50	1	1	...	22	1	285	1,916	574	6,742	54 Morris Cres., Yonkers.	
Peekskill	James Mulder	70	6	1	10	10	8	110	60	35	40	2	3	54	50	1	109	85	154	1,406	Peekskill, N. Y.	
Tarrytown, First	John K. Allen	130	6	1	3	3	7	230	...	45	65	4	1	1	207	2,394	+	5,468	Tarrytown, N. Y.	
Tarrytown, Second	Lucas Boeve	135	9	11	6	6	6	217	...	50	25	7	1	...	30	1	145	443	+319	4,538	Tarrytown, N. Y.	
Unionville	John Black	*48	1	3	8	8	1	*60	20	70	12	11	2	1	123	48	7	1,729	Hawthorne, N. Y.	
Yonkers, First	Supplied	*128	4	4	13	*244	14	...	101	2	1	134	183	128	4,149	Hawthorne, N. Y.	
Total		1834	86	78	84	1	71	2954	6771	562	521	62	17	169	182	19	2235	\$10,322	\$3,306	\$54,606		

Other Ministers—Rev. L. Curry Andrews, Pittsfield, Mass.; Rev. W. P. Bruce, 25 E. 22nd St., New York City; Rev. John G. Gebhard, Mt. Vernon, N. Y.; Rev. Henri De Vries, Peekskill, N. Y.; Rev. Frank Scudder, Honolulu, H. I.; Rev. Jacob Weber, 359 Riverdale Ave., Yonkers, N. Y.; Rev. F. W. Cutler, Yonkers, N. Y.; John G. Gebhard, Jr., Vellore, India.

Classical Agents—F. M., C. Olandt; D. M., C. H. Tyndall; E., E. W. Thompson; P. and B. S. W., John Black; P. M., J. S. Allen.

Stated Clerk—Rev. Lucas Boeve, Tarrytown, N. Y.

Treasurer—Dr. L. V. Waldron, 27 Radford St., Yonkers, N. Y.

CLASSIS OF WISCONSIN.—P. S. C.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	No. of Church Families.	COMMUNICANTS.					OTHERS ENROLLED.		BAPTISMS.				C. C. & B. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			P. O. ADDRESS.	
			On Confes- sion.	On Certifi- cate.	Gains.	Losses.		Total Number of Communicants.	Adherents.	Absent List.	Inactive List.	Infants.	Adults.	No. Baptized Non-Communicants.	Instruction by Pastor.	No. of Bible Schools.	Total Enroll- ment.	For Denomina- tional Purposes.	For Other Objects.		For Congrega- tional Purposes.
Alto	Gerrit J. Hekhuis	179	15	5	3	9	7	418	53		24	250	200	1	280	\$6,274	\$1,107	\$2,274	Waupun, Wis., R. R. 22.		
Baldwin	A. T. Laman	104	21	5	5	3	7	250	20	19	10	229	130	1	180	1,185	95	1,280	Railwin, Wis.		
Cedar Grove	Cor. Kuyper	179	22	16	11	5	8	440	15		21	220	150	1	300	2,018	2,000	3,230	Cedar Grove, Wis.		
Forestville	Vacant	26	1	7			67		7		8	1	75	36	1	40	136		763	Ring, Wis., R. R. 1.	
Franklin	Vacant										22	292	90	1	160	852	363	3,000	Friesland Wis.		
Friesland	A. Vander Werf	94	8	6	9	8	3	166	10		8	1	216	98	1	230	1,171	115	2,100	Shoyboyan, F. Wis., R. R. 11.	
Gibbsville	John H. Straks	142	29	5	2	1	3	319	8	5	15	209	90	1	284	2,711	1,247	2,309	Princeton, Minn., R. R. 5.		
Greenleaf	Matt. J. Duven	103	11	5	2	1	3	208	46	1	15	209	98	1	229	1,035	96	1,163	Princeton, Minn., R. R. 5.		
Hingham	H. Dykhuizen	110	11	4	3		7	247	15	6	15	180	130	1	229	1,035	96	1,163	Hingham, Wis.		
Milwaukee	H. Ter Keurst	109	22	3	3		5	300	36	18	6	114	55	1	218	1,227	401	4,518	1015 Harmon St., Milwaukee		
Shoyboyan	P. Swart	120	3	13	3		6	248	5	2	12	180	80	1	185	908	148	1,192	Oostburg, Wis.		
Randolph	M. D. Vander Meer	67	15	18	7		1	140	8	2	9	142	80	1	175	225	170	4,700	1015 N. 10th St., Shoyboyan, Wis.		
Shoyboyan Falls	M. C. Ruisaard	78	7	10	2		1	177	12	10	7	178	64	1	165	302	96	2,032	Shoyboyan Falls, Wis.		
Vesper	H. Van der Ploeg	57	13	2	2		1	114	13	11	7	86	72	1	110	373	87	1,113	Vesper, Wis.		
Waupun	J. P. J. Kruijs-Voorberge	155	19	15	6		7	359	50	1	16	1	287	149	1	229	2,041	2,073	Waupun, Wis.		
Total	W. C. Walvoord	1546	197	129	59		63	3534	289	81	184	8	2783	1514	15	2787	\$21,119	\$6,129	\$46,483		

Other Ministers—B. Mollema, 194 W. 17th Street, Holland, Mich.; H. P. Boot, Amov, China; D. Dykstra, Bahrein, Arabia.
 Classical Agents—D. M., A. Van der Werf; F. M., G. J. Hekhuis, E. P. Swart; D. M. F. and W. F., H. Dykhuizen; P. and B. S. W., M. C. Ruissard; P. M., H. D. Ter Keurst.
 Stated Clerk and Treasurer—C. Kuyper, Cedar Grove, Wis.

SUMMARY VIEW OF THE REFORMED

REV. HENRY LOCKWOOD, STATED CLERK,

CLASSES.	Number of Churches.	Number of Ministers.	Number Church Families.	COMMUNICANTS.						Total Number of Communicants.	OTHERS ENROLLED.		
				Gains.		Losses.			Adherents.		Absent List.	Inactive List.	
				On Confession.	On Certificate.	By Dismissal.	By Discipline.	By Death.					
PARTICULAR SYNOD OF NEW YORK.													
Hudson	10	11	1,086	40	41	43	.....	46	1,753	498	486	252
Kingston	15	11	1,213	44	34	49	.....	47	1,901	515	604	151
North Long Island	27	34	3,180	353	76	90	.....	104	5,585	818	805	490
South Long Island	21	32	3,445	324	133	109	1	100	6,493	1,729	1,679	275	
New York	40	57	6,248	471	225	157	.....	202	12,843	1,317	723	455
Orange	23	23	2,112	130	78	70	1	74	3,621	413	468	493	
Poughkeepsie	12	12	1,190	27	26	27	.....	48	1,849	308	496	174
Westchester	17	15	1,834	86	78	84	1	71	2,954	677	562	521	
Total	165	195	20,338	1,475	691	629	3	692	36,999	6,285	5,823	2,811	
PARTICULAR SYNOD OF ALBANY.													
Albany	18	17	1,877	72	61	48	1	66	3,356	294	303	292	
Greene	6	7	934	14	12	17	1	32	1,356	475	207	208	
Montgomery	34	23	3,128	160	91	77	.....	84	4,552	1,209	602	670
Rensselaer	14	11	1,036	62	60	36	.....	41	1,846	370	411	173
Rochester	16	16	1,517	162	54	61	29	59	3,241	151	193	26	
Saratoga	12	9	796	20	9	15	.....	33	1,497	136	235	123
Schenectady	15	14	2,311	192	117	41	.....	90	3,809	564	404	327
Schoharie	12	11	574	26	21	38	.....	23	1,047	201	132	154
Ulster	17	12	1,371	46	25	36	1	40	2,506	723	477	216	
Total	144	120	13,544	754	450	369	32	468	23,210	4,123	2,964	2,189	
PARTICULAR SYNOD OF CHICAGO.													
Cascades	9	6	289	29	25	7	.....	5	551	126	27	.....
Chicago	19	15	2,330	213	145	168	1	83	4,144	692	79	50	
Dakota	18	13	788	71	49	61	.....	27	1,483	315	46	19
Germania	17	12	672	33	7	15	.....	8	687	943	41	20
Grand River	34	32	1,126	238	203	225	8	112	6,155	744	125	98	
Holland	26	26	2,191	285	229	207	3	101	5,259	485	145	27	
Illinois	9	9	649	34	21	16	.....	25	1,287	273	74	.....
Michigan	20	24	2,162	239	250	138	2	56	4,335	838	224	154	
Pella	14	16	1,044	117	69	73	.....	38	2,132	366	134	45
Pleasant Prairie	22	28	1,306	138	21	8	2	50	1,583	1,768	73	35	
East Sioux	24	22	1,461	143	153	162	.....	50	3,073	368	92	28
West Sioux	25	23	1,306	134	129	117	6	39	2,424	360	62	15	
Wisconsin	16	17	1,546	197	129	59	.....	63	3,534	289	81	.....
Total	253	243	18,870	1,871	1,430	1,256	22	767	36,647	7,567	1,203	496	
PARTICULAR SYNOD OF NEW BRUNSWICK.													
Bergen	16	26	1,637	97	75	61	.....	46	2,516	711	511	131
South Bergen	13	16	2,865	236	61	98	.....	73	3,897	762	945	316
Monmouth	9	13	846	75	15	10	.....	18	1,724	344	252	103
Newark	21	30	3,788	207	87	116	1	73	6,360	648	904	1,196	
New Brunswick	15	21	1,494	68	45	69	.....	57	2,774	307	411	455
Palisades	13	13	2,423	192	55	73	.....	74	4,102	978	501	480
Paramus	32	40	3,748	184	149	123	.....	109	6,183	914	843	416
Passaic	18	17	2,221	156	118	75	2	85	3,452	539	525	355	
Philadelphia	14	19	1,265	75	52	41	2	49	2,420	404	254	180	
Raritan	14	16	1,639	106	83	43	.....	88	3,499	660	491	245
Total	165	211	21,926	1,396	740	709	5	672	36,927	6,267	5,537	3,877	
Grand total	727	769	74,678	5,496	3,311	2,963	62	2,599	133,783	24,242	15,627	9,373	

CHURCH IN AMERICA FOR THE YEAR 1918.

EAST MILLSTONE, N. J.

BAP.		Number of Baptized Non-Communicants.	C. C. & B. S.			CONTRIBUTIONS.			STATED CLERKS.
Infants.	Adults.		Number of Catechumens.	Number of Bible Schools.	Total Enroll- ment.	Denominational Objects.	Other Objects.	Congregational.	
REV. HERMAN HAGEMAN, STATED CLERK, CLAVERACK, N. Y.									
41	15	300	75	12	1,425	\$3,667	\$1,331	\$17,989	H. Hageman.
42	23	144	9	20	1,529	3,453	708	16,231	Henry W. Brink.
330	23	449	612	27	5,103	11,298	10,191	84,855	C. K. Clearwater.
321	37	162	82	22	6,839	17,684	23,848	80,913	John S. Gardner.
387	83	724	570	42	9,052	105,033	53,077	63,021	A. B. Churchman.
71	63	132	453	22	2,754	6,850	1,593	35,560	Wm. Wyckoff Schomp.
25	8	113	24	13	1,479	5,761	4,185	27,603	A. C. Bird.
62	17	169	182	19	2,235	10,322	3,306	54,696	Lucas Boeve.
1,279	269	2,193	2,007	177	30,416	\$167,068	\$98,239	\$380,778	
REV. C. P. DITMARS, STATED CLERK, NISKAYUNA, N. Y.									
89	38	241	65	19	2,779	\$13,115	\$4,696	\$58,222	H. C. Jacobs.
24	7	122	58	9	917	2,600	867	16,347	William A. Dumont.
122	78	415	53	32	4,132	7,228	7,847	57,239	Geo. G. Seibert.
35	27	92	50	15	1,701	2,815	986	20,034	D. H. Chrestensen.
101	27	1,595	385	16	3,147	8,544	1,588	38,334	P. G. M. Bahler.
18	3	.....	.....	12	1,092	2,682	968	17,065	Oliver H. Walser.
113	61	487	269	18	3,482	7,694	4,414	51,581	Cornelius P. Ditmars.
24	14	133	80	12	1,016	1,229	2,829	8,846	Harry C. Morehouse.
39	10	150	.....	21	1,847	3,046	2,146	30,856	John B. Steketee.
565	265	3,235	960	154	20,113	\$48,953	\$26,341	\$298,524	
REV. PETER MOERDYKE, STATED CLERK, HOLLAND, MICH.									
50	.....	519	271	8	507	\$2,693	\$854	\$10,095	B. Van Heuvelen.
276	23	5,488	2,451	19	4,001	20,904	5,437	36,464	H. J. Pietenpol.
99	4	1,570	732	20	1,608	14,472	2,894	29,323	J. A. Roggen.
87	5	1,482	273	13	1,048	6,876	3,484	19,350	H. Huenemann.
330	16	6,533	3,137	33	6,199	26,185	7,482	80,444	J. Van Westenburg.
237	27	3,491	2,244	26	5,328	27,187	4,014	57,364	G. De Jonge.
38	5	620	291	9	1,765	31,797	2,050	16,862	L. Potgeter.
205	31	2,806	1,907	20	6,088	18,852	5,913	73,494	J. Van der Meulen.
102	18	1,615	760	15	2,046	15,554	1,745	32,106	P. Grooters.
133	7	2,577	610	24	2,099	14,343	4,453	41,141	George Schnucker.
184	8	3,739	1,889	24	2,647	47,583	8,588	66,982	Thos. Welmers.
220	9	3,317	1,776	20	2,249	44,698	11,506	60,694	A. Haverkamp.
184	8	2,788	1,514	15	2,787	21,119	6,129	46,483	C. Kuyper.
2,145	161	36,540	17,855	246	38,372	\$292,263	\$64,549	\$570,802	
REV. B. V. D. WYCKOFF, STATED CLERK, READINGTON, N. J.									
99	35	88	46	16	3,477	\$7,696	\$3,816	\$49,234	E. W. Decker.
246	38	680	74	16	3,685	6,522	4,065	69,225	J. B. Hunter.
37	22	40	30	10	1,238	2,946	1,268	18,974	Garrett M. Conover.
312	40	611	341	23	6,694	19,159	22,915	92,971	Charles B. Condit.
94	15	358	147	19	2,538	10,678	7,888	44,847	John A. Thomson.
477	23	530	186	16	4,980	9,824	5,586	55,019	A. W. Hopper.
212	33	1,981	775	33	7,146	22,590	12,956	116,460	Eugene Hill.
138	31	1,520	747	21	3,678	9,705	6,620	56,627	Geo. W. Labaw.
75	29	176	88	22	3,070	5,260	8,817	30,832	A. J. Walter.
70	49	237	4	16	2,986	7,287	3,909	43,129	B. V. D. Wyckoff.
1,760	315	6,221	2,438	192	39,492	\$101,667	\$77,840	\$577,318	
7,373	1,010	48,189	23,260	769	128,393	\$609,951	\$266,969	\$1,827,422	

ARTICLE XXIII.

SYNODICAL ARCHIVES.

Your Committee on Necrology respectfully present the following report:

Since our last report we have learned of only eleven deaths among our ministers. This number is one larger than last year. The number of deaths in the two years is the smallest of any similar period since 1907-08 and before that since 1896-97. The deaths in the year 1894 were fewer by only one than those in each of the three biennial period, 1896-97, 1907-08 and 1918-19. The small number of deaths of our ministers since the last meeting of the General Synod is the more remarkable because of the epidemic of influenza in 1918 which caused more deaths in America than the ravages of war. Apparently only one ministers died from this cause. Although several of our brethren served in the war no one of them died in such service. The average age of those dying in the past year is only 52, six years less than the average of the previous year and sixteen years less than the average of the year before. How unsafe it is to count upon a long life and postpone effort from year to year! Our times are in His hand. Of the eleven who passed beyond, four were from the Particular Synod of New Brunswick, three from New York, three from Chicago and one from Albany. The summary of our report is as follows:

(1) Rev. Octave Van Beverhoudt, born in St. Thomas, Danish West Indies, July 15th, 1871, died at Interlaken, N. J., Aug. 2d, 1918.

(2) Rev. Oscar Gesner, born at Nyack, N. Y., Nov. 16th, 1840, died at Linden, N. J., Sept. 18th, 1918.

(3) Rev. Frederick Garret Dekker, born at Zwartshuis, Netherlands, July 11th, 1866, died at Rock Rapids, Iowa, Sept. 25th, 1918.

(4) Rev. Eustace Francis Jacobellis, born at Faranto, Italy, April 3rd, 1879, died at Weehawken, N. J., Nov. 14th, 1918.

(5) Rev. Floyd Decker, born at Flatbrookville, N. J., Sept. 28th, 1869, died in New York City, Dec. 1st, 1918.

(6) Rev. Francis Vischer Van Vranken, born at Princetown, N. Y., Nov. 26th, 1835, died at Albany, N. Y., Dec. 5th, 1918.

(7) Rev. Philip G. Meengs, born at Goosteren, Netherlands, July 16th, 1878, died at Grand Rapids, Mich., Dec. 17th, 1918.

(8) Rev. Henry Schut, born at Newkirk, Iowa, Oct. 10th, 1882, died at Carmel, Iowa, Dec. 24th, 1918.

(9) Rev. Otis Tiffany Barnes, born in Philadelphia, Sept. 18th, 1885, died at Bronxville, N. Y., Feb. 20th, 1919.

(10) Rev. George Henry Miller, born in Brooklyn, N. Y., Jan. 9th, 1864, died in New York City, March 3d, 1919.

(11) Rev. Cornelius Schenck, born at Weston, N. J., Sept. 5th, 1856, died at Plainfield, N. J., May 2d, 1919.

JOHN H. RAVEN,
P. G. M. BAHLER,
GERHARD DEJONGE,
JACOB WEBER,

Committee.

OCTAVE VAN BEVERHOUDT.

Rev. Octave Van Beverhoudt was born on the island of St. Thomas July 15th, 1871. The island was a part of the Danish West Indies at that time but is now one of the Virgin Islands which belong to the United States. He was the son of James E. Van Beverhoudt. Coming to New York City he was engaged in business there for a time. Determining to study for the ministry he entered the New Brunswick Theological Seminary and graduated in 1901. He was licensed by the Classis of New York and ordained by the Classis of Monmouth in the same year. He accepted a call from the Reformed Church at Colts Neck, N. J., and served there acceptably through the remainder of his life. Mr. Van Beverhoudt was unmarried. He was a faithful minister, a true friend and a godly man. His death was the result of an accident. His eyesight and hearing were not very good. He ran his car directly in front of an onrushing train at Interlaken, N. J., and was killed instantly Aug. 2d, 1918.

OSCAR GESNER.

Rev. Oscar Gesner was born at Nyack, N. Y., Nov. 16th, 1840. He was the son of Sylvester Gesner. Preparing at the Rutgers Grammar School, he graduated from Rutgers College in 1862 and from the New Brunswick Theological Seminary in 1865. He was licensed by the South Classis of Long Island and ordained by the Classis of Philadelphia in the same year. He served the Reformed Church of Rocky Hill, N. J., as pastor from 1865 until 1870 and the church at Linden, N. J., from 1870 until 1884. Retiring from the pastorate, he continued to live at Linden, N. J., until his death and often supplied the church there, sometimes for months at a time. He was a genial and interesting companion and a friend to every good work. On Oct. 19th, 1865, he married Miss Caroline Elizabeth Brush, of Nyack, N. Y., who died in 1910. On Oct. 17th, 1911, Mr. Gesner married Miss Julia Merrick, of Brielle, N. J. His widow and one son, Rev. Herbert M. Gesner, of Easton, Penn., survive him. He died at his home in Linden, N. J., after a long illness Sept. 18th, 1918.

FREDERIC G. DEKKER

Rev. Frederic G. Dekker was born at Zwartsluis, Netherlands, on July 11, 1866. He took his literary course at the Theological School at Kampen and graduated in 1892. On coming to America he entered the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick and graduated in 1896.

He served the following churches: The Holland Reformed Church of Wortendyk, '96-'97; First Holland Church at Paterson, 1897-1910; The Reformed Church of Doon, Ia., 1910-12.

In 1912 he became a classical missionary in the Classis of Iowa and served until the day of his death, Sept. 25, 1918.

As a classical missionary he had charge of the fields at Worthington Sibley and Rock Rapids. At this latter place he died.

His decease was sudden and unexpected, he seemed to be in good health almost to the last moment.

Brother Dekker was not a man of extraordinary ability either as a student or as an orator, but he was a man who knew how to use his talents to the best of his ability and withall devoted to his work, hence his labors were not without fruit.

He was genial as a companion a good conversationalist and a friend to be loved and appreciated.

EUSTACE FRANCIS JACOBELLIS.

Rev. E. F. Jacobellis was born at Faranto, Italy, April 3d, 1879. He was a son of Joseph Jacobellis. His early education was received in Italy and in 1901 he was about to enter the University of Naples and study law. He came to New York in 1906. He took a course at the Bible Teachers' Training School in New York City, graduating in 1911. He was ordained by the Classis of the Palisades in 1917 and was the Italian Missionary of the Board of Domestic Missions having charge of the mission connected with the Grove Reformed Church of Weehawken, N. J. He was specially successful in the work with the children and the mission had a large Bible school. Plans for the enlargement of the work were in prospect. On Jan. 8th, 1901 he married Miss Maddalena Spartern. His widow and two children survive him. Mr. Jacobellis died as the result of an operation for appendicitis Nov. 14th, 1918.

FLOYD DECKER.

Rev. Floyd Decker was born at Flatbrookville, N. J., Sept. 28th, 1869. He was a son of Jonas L. Decker. He graduated from Rutgers College in 1898 with the degree of A. B. Three years later he graduated from the New Brunswick Theological Seminary, was licensed by the Classis of New Brunswick and ordained by the Classis of Monmouth. He served the Reformed Church of Keyport, N. Y.,

two years (1901-03). After a year as assistant at the Middle Collegiate Church of New York City (1903-04), he became Pastor of the Church-of-the-Comforter in the same city and continued there eight years (1904-12). The last six years of his life he was Pastor of Elmendorf Chapel, Harlem, New York City (1912-18). He was a faithful minister of the gospel and a beloved brother. His widow survives him. He died after a brief illness in New York City, Dec. 1st, 1918.

FRANCIS VISCHER VAN VRANKEN.

Rev. Francis V. Van Vranken, D. D., was born at Princetown, Schenectady Co., N. Y., November 26, 1835. He graduated from Union College in 1858, and from the New Brunswick Seminary in 1861. His pastorates, extending over fifty-five years, were at Lysander, Glen, Newark, N. J., Fultonville, Philmont, and at Leeds the last twelve years of his ministry. In 1916, at the age of 80 years much to the regret of his people, he resigned his charge, and, with his faithful wife, removed to Albany, taking up their residence with their daughter, Mrs. Jared W. Scudder.

In 1864 Dr. Van Vranken married Miss Sarah L. Lansing, of Glenville, who survives him, he being also survived by his daughters, Mrs. E. D. Crane, of Montclair, N. J., and Mrs. J. W. Scudder, of Albany; also by three granddaughters, and one great-granddaughter.

His alma mater conferred upon him the degree of D. D., several years ago. His personality in life was such as could not fail to command respect and admiration. He was of a social nature, responding readily to humor. His sermons were those of a deep, clear thinker and scholar. As a pastor he understood human nature, and with faithful conscientiousness he ministered to his people.

Funeral services were held in the Reformed Church of Catskill, conducted by Rev. W. A. Dumont, of Coxsackie, assisted by other ministers of Classis, the consistory of his former church at Leeds acting as pallbearers.

Peacefully he rests in "the silent city, of the Jefferson Rural Cemetery, near the spot where the Rev. Johannes Shuneman was buried nearly a century and a quarter ago. He was the 19th pastor to "carry on" the work of the Reformed Dutch Church of Old Catskill (Leeds), begun in 1732. Dr. Van Vranken died at Albany, N. Y., Dec. 5th, 1918.

PHILIP G. MEENGs.

Rev. Philip G. Meengs was born on July 16, 1878, at Geesteren, Netherlands. In his childhood his parents immigrated to America and located in Michigan, hence he obtained his education in this country, first in the Public Schools of North Holland. For some time he was a student at Hope College, but did not graduate. After

spending some time at the Moody Bible Institute, he took a full course in the Western Seminary graduating in 1908 and was licensed by the classis of Holland. He served the following churches: Ebenezer, Michigan, 1908-11; Prairie City, Kansas, 1911-17. In 1917 he became Classical missionary in Michigan and continued in this work until he died on December 17, 1918, from the effects of influenza.

Brother Meengs was a good man who was full of zeal for the Master and his cause. It was his privilege to serve for only ten years but these were entirely given to his work. As a pastor he was painstaking and in his own life gave a noble example to his people. As a man he was friendly, frank and helpful. He leaves a wife and five children.

HENRY SCHUT.

Rev. Henry Schut was born at Newkirk, Ia., on Oct. 10, 1882, and died at Carmel, Ia., on Dec. 24, 1918, leaving a wife and two small children.

Rev. Schut began his studies at the Northwestern Academy at Orange City, graduating in 1905. The same year he entered Hope College and graduated in 1909. He took his Theological course at the Western Seminary and graduated in 1912.

He served the following churches: Pella, Neb., 1912-1914; Carmel, Ia., 1914-1918, being pastor of that church at the time of his death.

As a student Brother Schut was faithful, diligent and persevering. He was not a man of exceptional ability or talents, but he made the best possible use of them.

As a man he was reserved not a ready "mixer," but to know him was to love and appreciate him.

As a preacher he was sound, practical and logical in his presentation of the truth.

During the last years of his life an insidious disease gradually undermined his strength, so that he continued his work under difficulty, but he loved to preach and continued his labors until two Sundays before his death.

His labors were indeed cut short by an early death but he used his time and talents well and labored not in vain.

OTIS TIFFANY BARNES.

Rev. O. T. Barnes was born in Philadelphia, Sept. 18th, 1885. He was a son of Mr. Charles K. Barnes, a prominent manufacturer of steel-plate. Preparing at Haverford Grammar School, he graduated from Lafayette College in 1909 and from Union Theological Seminary in 1912. In that year he was ordained in the Tompkins Ave. Congregational Church in Brooklyn, N. Y. He organized the

Congregational Church at Chappaqua, N. Y., and served it as pastor from 1912 until 1916. In the latter year he accepted a call from the Reformed Church at Bronxville, N. Y., and continued as pastor there until his death. During this period through his ministrations the Church and Sunday School were largely increased. He was a true friend of the boys of Bronxville. Mr. Barnes married Miss Elva S. Brown, the daughter of Rev. Francis Brown, D. D., LL. D., President of Union Theological Seminary. His widow, two sons and an infant daughter survive him. Mr. Barnes died from spinal meningitis after a brief illness Feb. 20th, 1919.

GEORGE HENRY MILLER.

The Rev. George Henry Miller born Jan. 9, 1864, died March 3, 1919.

The Rev. George H. Miller was born in Brooklyn, N. Y., Jan. 9, 1864. His mother for many years the beloved matron of the Old People's Home. He graduated from the Bloomfield Seminary in 1887. For 5 years he served a Presbyterian Church in Brooklyn, Long Island. For over 27 years he served the Welcome Reformed Church, N. Y. City. "In the death of our dear brother, the Classis of N. Y. is bereft of a member who served his flock as a faithful shepherd, consistently and with marked ability and success. He leaves a widow and family. A very short illness terminated his life here, soon to be reunited again.

CORNELIUS SCHENCK.

Rev. Dr. Schenck was born at Weston, Somerset Co., N. J., Sept. 5th, 1856. He was the son of Josiah J. Schenck. Preparing at the Rutgers Preparatory School, he graduated from Rutgers College in 1879 with the degree of A. B. Three years later he graduated from the New Brunswick Theological Seminary, was licensed by the Classis of New Brunswick and ordained by the Classis of Philadelphia. He was Pastor of the Fourth Reformed Church of Philadelphia from 1882 until 1887. In the latter year he accepted a call to the Trinity Reformed Church of Plainfield, N. J. There he served for twenty-one years (1887-1908) when failing health compelled him to resign. He was greatly beloved by his people as well as by all the Christian people of Plainfield. In recognition of their high esteem and affection his church made him Pastor Emeritus, a relation in which he continued until his death. He received the degree of Ph.D., for work done. On Jan. 26th, 1888, Dr. Schenck married Miss Sarah Elizabeth Williams, of Roxborough, Philadelphia. His widow and two sons, one of whom is Rev. Harold W. Schenck, Pastor of the Reformed Church at Nutley, N. J., survive him. Dr. Schenck died at his home in Plainfield, N. J., May 2d, 1919.

GENERAL SYNOD.

ARTICLE XXIV.

ACCOUNTS.

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTS
TO THE GENERAL SYNOD 1919.

Your Committee on Accounts would report that the bills for the traveling expenses of the delegates of the General Synod of 1919, have been carefully considered, and after certain corrections, were endorsed as follows:

For the Particular Synod of N. Y., with 43 delegates.....	\$187.90
For the Particular Synod of Albany, with 38 delegates	433.58
For the Particular Synod of Chicago, with 60 delegates....	3,178.82
For the Particular Synod of New Brunswick, with 49 dele- gates	139.28

Total for 192 delegates \$3,939.58

This total is evidently a considerable increase over that of preceding years; because of this your Committee would recommend, if the privilege on the part of the railroads be continued, that every minister delegate be required to use a clerical order, and that all delegates use only the nearest and cheapest route to and from the future meetings of the General Synod, and pay the extra charge themselves.

Respectfully submitted,

Ministers.

H. J. Herge, Chairman
J. B. Church
G. Hankamp
E. Aeilts
E. C. VanderLaan
B. Ballard

Elders

J. L. Rodemaker
S. B. Thompson
A. G. Brink
F. Bordan
H. A. Laurence

The Report was adopted.

ARTICLE XXV.

PARTICULARIA.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ENLARGEMENT OF
SYNOD CHURCH AT ASBURY PARK.

The chairman of the Committee, Rev. J. M. Farrar, reported extemporaneously for that committee on Friday afternoon as follows:

"Because of the war we thought it best to suspend our activities. We had been very active, and had our plans drawn. Now that the war is over and we find we can raise money so easily, especially in Synod, after this morning's experience, we are going right ahead, and we promise you a good report next year."

The Report was accepted .

Dr. Farrar also gave a Report of the Special Committee to confer with the Board of Direction to name an agent for the Disabled Ministers' and Widows' Funds. He reported extemporaneously as follows :

"A committee was appointed to suggest the name of some one to take the place previously occupied by Dr. Wortman, and in considering this we thought it wise not to suggest any name, because the Committee that is hard at work on this Pension System had better have the way cleared. I would have offered my own name but the other two members of the Committee, I know, would vote against me."

The Report was received with thanksgiving.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NEW HYMNAL.

The Committee appointed by the General Synod of 1913 to collaborate with the Committee of the Reformed Church in the United States in the preparation of a new Hymnal would respectfully report :

That unexpected and unavoidable delays have annoyed your Committee in their work on "THE HYMNAL OF THE REFORMED CHURCH" since the General Synod of 1918. During this yast year there have been only *three* Music Houses in the East and Middle West capable of publishing a first-grade hymn-book ;—one in Chicago, one in Boston—(whose workmen for months were out on strike)—and one in Philadelphia, the Sterling Music Company. This Philadelphia house (which in publishing our Hymnal), has had its little force of compositors seriously crippled by the Military draft, as well as by disease and death. Compelled by the reduction in working efficiency, the foreman and the head of the Sterling Music Co. have at times set type themselves, being so hard pressed by the demands of many impatient customers, as well as by the exactions of striking compositors. Hymn-book type-setting is slow, tedious and peculiarly delicate, —being necessarily "hand work"

throughout; and therefore it is unpopular with composers;—so that hymn-book publishers are at the mercy of a workman's guild that is relatively small in numbers, and also fully aware of their special value and importance in the world of work.

The method adopted by the Publication Board of the R. C. U. S. was this:—in sending the Mss. of the Hymnal through the publishing house to require *four* sets of page "proofs" of each new installment of hymns and tunes from the Sterling Music Co.;—one set to be sent direct to your Committee chairman, one to Dr. Good, the Chairman of the Joint Committee, and one to the Musical Editor,—the fourth being retained in Mr. Bromer's office, that the Manager of the Reformed Church Publication Board might collate and combine various proof-readings, and return the completed revision to the Printing Office, to be finally corrected, and then electrotyped;—for, as it may be remembered, the best grade of hymn-books to-day are printed only from eletrotype plates. All this careful reading, and re-reading, and correcting consumes time, much time, and *so much* time,—that since late last fall when your Committee chairman first obtained "a realizing sense" of the distressing aggregate of possible delays involved in this four-fold revision of "proof,"—*he* made it an invariable rule to read each new installment of Hymnal "proof" two and three times over speedily as possible after receiving it from Philadelphia, and to send back the revision *the same day*.

But we are happy to be able finally to say that notwithstanding all our difficulties and delays, we have reached the *last fifty* of the six hundred and fifty-six hymns of the new book;—soon these last hymn-pages will be in type, carefully read and corrected,—the second "proof" pages will be finally revised and electrotyped; then the "full tale" of page-plates will be electrotyped in duplicate; the plates will be sent to the book-printer,—the sheets will be bound up in complete volumes;—and the "Hymnal of the Reformed Church" will be ready for inspection, and purchase and use.

This consummation so devoutly wished for, and so patiently anticipated by many, we confidently expect will be realized in the *early fall*.

Rev. Dr. Bruce, the second member on our Committee, will promptly announce in the columns of "The Intelligencer" the appearance of the new hymn-book,—which we trust you will be pleased with when first you see it, and will like it the better the longer time it is used.

EDWARD P. JOHNSON,

Chariman of the Special Committee on new Hymnal.

Asbury Park, N. J., June 7, 1919.

The Report was accepted.

ARTICLE XXVI.

RESUMPTION AND CLOSE.

The Standing Committee on Next Place of Meeting reported as follows:

The Committee on the Next Place of Meeting would respectfully report that four invitations, for the meeting of General Synod in 1920, have been placed in their hands. Three of these are from the Chambers of Commerce, or other business associations, of San Francisco, Kansas City and Milwaukee. As is our custom, and for reasons that are perfectly plain, to this Synod, these invitations were not seriously considered by your Committee.

The only invitation, therefore, that remained to be accepted or rejected was that of the Reformed Church of Asbury Park, N. J., which has so often opened its doors, graciously and generously, to the sessions of this General Synod.

Under the circumstances, therefore, your Committee has no option but to recommend that the meeting of General Synod in 1920 be held in the Reformed Church of Asbury Park, N. J.

Your Committee, however, feels obliged to add the recommendation, that in case the Church at Asbury Park decides that the burden of entertaining General Synod in so many successive years is more than they desire to assume; and in case satisfactory arrangements cannot be made with the railroads, and the hotels in Asbury Park, that the matter of the place of the next meeting, as has been done in previous years, be left in the hands of the Clerks of Synod, together with the Chairman of this Committee, and, that they be given power to act and to choose a place of meeting, where railroad rates and the entertainment at hotels may be satisfactory, if such a place can be found, willing to open its doors, within the limits of the Reformed Church.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES K. CLEARWATER,
H. A. VRUWINK,
H. C. MOREHOUSE,
ELDER E. L. DUNCAN.

The Report was adopted.

The Committee on Leave of Absence reported from time to time, and excuses were granted according to recommendation.

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Fathers and Brethren:

To your Committee on Resolutions there has been referred,

1st. An Overture from the Classis of Dakota requesting Synod to petition Congress not to introduce into the U. S. Universal Military Training.

2nd. A cablegram from Rev. Abram Duryee, Educational Secretary of the Board of Publication and Bible School Work, who at present is in Western Asia at the invitation of the American Committee on Relief in the Near East for the purpose of visiting and investigating conditions in Armenia and Syria.

3rd. A cablegram from Beirut, Syria, calling attention to the desperate need of hundreds upon thousands of men, women and especially children in Western Asia.

4th. Communications and meditations from Elder Truman H. Baldwin of Nyack, N. Y., who instead of being present with us is confined to his home on account of sickness.

5th. A reference to the demise of Rev. R. Dykes Shaw, D. D., the lamented Secretary of the Alliance of the Reformed and Presbyterian Churches.

6th. A reference to an address made by Dr. J. Campbell White as representative of the Inter-Church World Movement.

I. While your Committee is agreed that Universal Military Training, as found in Europe, notably in Germany, previous to the outbreak of the late war would be a calamity if introduced into the U. S., even in a somewhat modified form, yet, inasmuch as such a fear is not well-founded in view of the well-known opinions of the Secretaries of the Army and Navy in respect to these matters, and the attitude of Congress as reflected in the recent cut, by the Committee having these matters in charge, of \$300,000,000 and 100,000 men in the Army appropriation bill, and the proposed cut of about \$200,000,000 in the Navy bill, therefore, even if such a memorial should be in order, your Committee is of the opinion that it is not necessary, and consequently recommends that no action be taken.

II. The cablegram from Rev. Abram Duryee, reading, "Near East, greetings. 2. Cor. 8-24," brings to us an earnest appeal for love and Christian charity, well expressed in these words of the suggested passage of the great Apostle of the Gentiles: "Show ye therefore unto them in the face of the churches the proof of your love and our glorying in your behalf."

Your Committee realizes that not only has a great honor been conferred upon the beloved Educational Secretary of the Board of Publications and Bible School Work, along with other chosen ser-

vants of the Lord Jesus Christ representing other communions, but also that a great and grave task has been committed to his hands in being called upon to gain a thorough knowledge of the actual conditions and real needs of the peoples of the Near East. In view of the above, be it

Resolved, 1. That we express our thanks to those who have made this appointment possible, with no expense to the Board.

2. That we congratulate the Board of Publication and Bible School Work upon their good judgment in giving Rev. Duryee leave of absence from March 15 to July 1st, 1919.

3. That we assure our beloved Brother that his Scripture message has found a responsive chord in our hearts, that we are in sympathy with the work in which he has been and is engaged, and look forward with fond anticipation to the blessings that shall come to the denomination because of his tarrying upon this mountain top of privilege and going down into this valley of suffering.

III. The cablegram from Beirut, Syria, directs Synod's attention anew to the destitution and consequent need of hundreds and thousands of orphans in the Near East, who because of their homeless and helpless condition appeal strongly for our prayers and immediate financial aid. Your Committee feels that here is a cry that must not go unheeded. The Divine Saviour provided not only for the wants of the soul but also for those of the body, and it is His will that His followers shall go and do likewise. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That we have listened with keenest sympathy to the thrilling appeal for help that comes from the Near East, and urge upon all of our Churches, and particularly, since this concerns the young, upon our Sunday schools and Young Peoples' organizations, to render such aid to these destitute orphans as is in our power to give.

IV. The communications and meditations directed to General Synod from the hand and heart of an honored office-bearer in the Reformed Church, and placed in the hands of your Committee acquaint us with the fact that the Brother beloved is unable to walk about at present and, therefore, unable to be at Synod, but is in a beautiful submissive state of mind, holding intercourse sweet with his Saviour and Lord. Your Committee deems it a privilege to propose the following minute:

Resolved, That we express our sympathy with Elder Truman H. Baldwin in his affliction, that we bless the Lord for the grace that manifests itself in his life in the moments of severe testing, and pray, that it may please Him to restore the impaired health and continue the grace which enables the soul to say, "Not my will but Thine be done."

V. In re the reference to the departure out of this life of the Rev. R. Dykes Shaw, D. D., be it

Resolved, That this General Synod, remembering with sincere pleasure the recent visit of the Rev. R. Dykes Shaw, D. D., the Secretary of the Alliance of the Reformed and Presbyterian Churches, and rejoicing in the tactful and efficient service which he has rendered to the churches of the Alliance, has heard with great regret of the close of his honored and fruitful life which took place on February last, the indirect but definite result of his faithfulness to duty in the presence of difficulties greatly multiplied by the war.

VI. Resolved, That ours has not only been a singular privilege in being permitted to listen to that compelling address by Dr. J. Campbell White, Chairman of the Sub-Committee of the Inter Church World Movement, but that we also set the seal of our sympathetic endorsement upon the movement which he is seeking to further in so unifying the activities of Protestant Christendom in America that a greater impact than ever before shall be made, especially upon the neglected communities in our own land and upon the heathen and Mohammedan lands beyond the sea, and that we empower the Boards of our Church and the Progress Campaign Committee to co-operate with Inter-Church World Movement in as far as they can do so in harmony with their own work.

VII. Resolved, That in the closing hours of the one hundred and thirteenth session of the General Synod of America we express our deep and sincere appreciation to the pastor, officers, choir, organist and sexton of the Grand Avenue Reformed Church for the cordial hospitality accorded us during the busy days of Synod's sojourn in this city by the sea.

Resolved, That we recognize with true gratitude to God, the efficiency and faithfulness of our President, Vice President, Stated, Permanent and Temporary Clerks, for the way in which they have enabled Synod to carry on its work, and that we hereby express our cordial thanks to them.

Resolved, That we record our debt of gratitude to the Secretaries and other officers of our Boards, including our gracious women, for the admirable way in which they have conducted their business, and the inspiring addresses to which we have listened.

Resolved, That we give unstinted praise to the Committee on Correspondence and Religious Exercises for the carefully prepared program covering the business sessions, the evening meetings and devotional services, and to all who performed their appointed task in these services.

Resolved, That we acknowledge our indebtedness to all the

Permanent and Standing Committees for the spirit, care and efficiency with which they have done their work.

Resolved, That we place on record our genuine appreciation of the faithful services of our Press Clerk, the Correspondents of the Press of Asbury Park and of our own denominational papers, thus giving wings to the important acts and Proceedings of this *historical Synod*.

Resolved, That we bow in humble gratitude to God, giver of every good and perfect gift, for the divine blessings showered upon us during the year that is past, that we praise Him for the presence and presidency of the Holy Spirit among us, whereby we were enabled to calmly consider and unanimously adopt resolutions and proposals that will go down into the years that are to be laden with blessings for the kingdom we love, that we implore the divine favor upon our churches and people so that they with us may see the enlarging vision and be willing in this day of God's power.

Respectfully submitted,

H. J. VELDMAN, Chairman.
W. L. SAHLER,
E. I. McCULLY,
G. W. CARTER,
J. MILLET,
F. ZANDSTRA,
G. W. STERKEN,
T. DYKEMA,
J. G. BOTBYL,
H. HAMMINGA.

The Report was adopted.

ARTICLE XXVII.

ADJOURNMENT.

The Journal was read and approved.

On motion the Reading of the Minutes was omitted.

The President called the pastor of the Asbury Park Church to the platform, and he addressed the Synod.

The President addressed Synod in a closing word.

The hymn "Blest be the Tie That Binds," was sung.

The Synod was led in a closing prayer by Rev. H. J. Veldman.

The President declared Synod adjourned to meet in regular session at Asbury Park, N. J., June 3d, 1920.

J. FREDRIC BERG, *President.*

JASPER S. HOGAN, *Vice President.*

HENRY LOCKWOOD, *State Clerk.*

CLIFFORD P. CASE, *Permanent Clerk.*

GEORGE H. DONOVAN,

THOS. E. WELMERS,

Temporary Clerks.

Presidents of the General Synod.

The names of all the Presidents from 1794 to 1869, inclusive, will be found in the printed Minutes of 1899, pp. 580, 581.

Date.	Presidents.	From What State.	Place of Meeting.
June, 1870—	Rev. Ashbel G. Vermilye.....	New York.....	Newark, N. J.
" 1871—	Rev. William J. R. Taylor....	New Jersey	Albany, N. J.
Sept., 1871—	Rev. William J. R. Taylor....	New Jersey ..	Brooklyn, N. Y.
June, 1872—	Rev. Joachim Elmendorf	New York....	Brooklyn, N. Y.
" 1873—	Rev. Acmon P. Van Gieson....	New York. N.	Brunswick, N. J.
" 1874—	Rev. Goyne Talmage.....	N. Jersey..	Poughkeepsie, N. Y.
" 1875—	Rev. Charles Scott.....	Michigan....	Jersey City, N. J.
" 1876—	Rev. John McC. Holmes	New York....	Kingston, N. Y.
" 1877—	Rev. Rufus W. Clark.....	New York....	New York City
" 1878—	Rev. Jacob Chamberlain.....	India	Utica, N. Y.
" 1879—	Rev. Abraham R. Van Nest....	Pennsylvania....	Newark, N. J.
" 1880—	Rev. John A. DeBaun.....	New York....	Brooklyn, N. Y.
" 1881—	Rev. Isaac S. Hartley.....	New York....	Hudson, N. Y.
Oct., 1881—	Rev. Isaac S. Hartley	New York..	Schenectady, N. Y.
June, 1882—	Rev. Edward P. Ingersoll	New York..	Schenectady, N. Y.
" 1883—	Rev. William R. Duryee.....	New Jersey....	Albany, N. Y.
" 1884—	Rev. David Cole	New York....	G. Rapids, Mich.
" 1885—	Rev. J. Howard Suydam.....	New Jersey....	Syracuse, N. Y.
" 1886—	Rev. John B. Drury	New York.N.	Brunswick, N. J.
" 1887—	Rev. Charles I. Shepard	New York....	Catskill, N. Y.
" 1888—	Rev. Mancius H. Hutton.....	New Jersey....	Catskill, N. Y.
" 1889—	Rev. Evert Van Slyke.....	New York....	Catskill, N. Y.
" 1890—	Rev. J. Romeyn Berry.....	New York..	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1891—	Rev. E. T. Corwin.....	New York..	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1892—	Rev. F. S. Schenck.....	New York..	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1893—	Rev. Cornelius Brett	New Jersey..	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1894—	Rev. Edward A. Collier.....	New Jersey..	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1895—	Rev. Peter Stryker	New York...G.	Rapids, Mich.
" 1896—	Rev. John B. Thompson.....	New Jersey....	Catskill, N. Y.
" 1897—	Rev. Charles W. Fritts.....	New York..	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1898—	Rev. Edward B. Coe.....	New York..	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1899—	Rev. George S. Bishop.....	New Jersey....	Catskill, N. Y.
" 1900—	Rev. Edward P. Johnson.....	New York..	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1901—	Rev. Denis Wortman.....	New York.N.	Brunswick, N. J.
" 1902—	Rev. Abbott E. Kittredge....	New York..	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1903—	Rev. Cornelius L. Wells.....	New York..	Asbury Park, N. J.

June, 1904—Rev. James F. Zwemer.....	Michigan.....	G. Rapids, Mich.
" 1905—Rev. James M. Farrar.....	New York.....	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1906—Rev. Donald Sage Mackey....	New York....	New York City
" 1907—Rev. Ame Vennema	New Jersey.....	Albany, N. Y.
" 1908—Rev. Wm. I. Chamberlain.....	New Jersey.....	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1909—Rev. W. H. S. Demarest.....	New Jersey..	Rochester, N. Y.
" 1910—Rev. James I. Vance.....	New Jersey.....	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1911—Rev. Philetus T. Pockman....	New Jersey.....	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1912—Rev. Wm. P. Bruce	New York....	G. Rapids, Mich.
" 1913—Rev. James S. Kittell.....	New York.....	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1914—Rev. John G. Fagg	New York.....	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1915—Rev. Isaac W. Gowen.....	New Jersey.....	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1916—Rev. Peter Moerdyke.....	Michigan.....	Holland, Mich.
" 1917—Rev. J. Preston Searle.....	New Jersey.....	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1918—Rev. Evart J. Blekkink.....	Michigan..	Asbury Park, N. J.
" 1919—Rev. J. Frederic Berg.....	New York.....	Asbury Park, N. J.

Stated Clerks.

Rev. Cornelius Brouwer,	elected.....	1800
Rev. James V. C. Romeyn,	"	1806
Rev. John M. Bradford,	"	1812
Rev. Selah S. Woodhull,	"	1818
Rev. John Knox,	"	1820
Rev. Thomas M. Strong,	"	1828
Rev. David D. Demarest,	"	1862
Rev. Paul D. Van Cleef,	"	1871
Rev. W. H. Ten Eyck, appointed [ad interim, for one year].....		1886
Rev. Paul D. Van Cleef, resumed.....		1887
Rev. W. H. Ten Eyck, appointed [ad interim, for one year].....		1895
Rev. W. H. DeHart,	elected.....	1896
Rev. Henry Lockwood, appointed [ad interim, for one year].....		1914
Rev. Henry Lockwood,	elected.....	1915

Permanent Clerks.

Rev. Thomas C. Strong.....	1855-1862
Rev. Paul D. Van Cleef.....	1869-1871
Rev. Wm. H. Ten Eyck.....	1871-1907
Rev. Henry Lockwood.....	1907-1915
Rev. Clifford P. Case.....	1915—

PROFESSORS AND LECTORS.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AT NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J.

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- Rev. John H. Livingston, D. D.,
Professor of Didactic Theology, etc., 1784-1825.
- Rev. Hermanus Myers, D. D.,
Professor Languages at Pompton Plains, 1784-91.
Lector in Theology at Pompton Plains, 1786-91.
- Rev. Solomon Froeligh, D. D.,
Lector in Theology at Hackensack, N. J., 1792-7.
Professor of Didactic Theology, Hackensack, N. J., 1797-1822.
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(Min. Gen. Synod, 1916, p. 792.)

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Blessing, Frank F.....	170 N. Allen St., Albany, N. Y...	872
Blocker, Simon	346 E. 32d St., Paterson, N. J..	898
Bloemendal, Ralph	1973 Jefferson Ave., Grand Rap- ids, Mich.	888
Bloom, Walter S.....	Hawthorne, N. J.....	898
Blue, John H., D. D.....	Toronto, Can.	874
Boer, Henry K.....	360 Carlton Ave., Grand Rapids, Mich.	880
Boer, Nicholas	1009 Hermitage St., Grand Rap- ids, Mich.	879
Boeve, Lucas	Tarrytown, N. Y.....	914
Bogardus, H. J., M. D.....	Jersey City, N. J.....	914
Bogert, N. I. M.....	Metuchen, N. J.....	902
Bolster, Frelon E.....	350 W. 26th St., New York City.	894
Bolsterle, George S.....	34 Charlton St., N. Y. City....	895
Bombin, John	Hackensack, N. J.	873
Bonte, George W.....	Ackley, Iowa	903
Boot, Harry P.....	Amoy, China	915
Booth, Eugene Samuel	178 Blub, Yokohama, Japan....	893
Bosch, F.	German Valley, Ill.....	903
Bosch, G.	Steen, Minn.	912
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Bouma, Hessel	159 No. 1st St., Paterson, N. J..	898
Bouma, Peter A. J.....	Amity St., Muskegon, Mich....	880
Bovenkerk, John	106 Spring St., Muskegon, Mich.	880
Boyce, Donald	Westerlo, N. Y.....	872
Boynton, Arthur B.....	Mohawk, N. Y.....	890
Braak, Peter	Pella, Iowa	901
Brandau, J. H.	Dumont, Iowa	903
Brandow, John H.....	59 Manning Blvd., Albany, N. Y.	910
Brett, Cornelius, D. D.....	70 Wadsworth St., Buffalo, N. Y.	874
Brink, Henry Wells	Gardiner, N. Y.....	885
Brink, John W.....	Marion, N. D., R. D. 2.....	877
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Broek, John	Muskegon, Mich.	880
Broek, Albertus T.	147 Johnson Ave., Newark, N. J.	892
Broek, John Y.....	Plainfield, N. J.....	892
Broekstra, Marinus E.....	1537 Hastings St., Chicago,	876
Brooks, Jesse W., Ph.D.....	440 So. Dearborn St., Chicago..	884
Brouwer, Jacob G.....	584 Townsend Ave., Detroit, Mich.	879
Brown, John Alexander	E. St. Louis, Ill.	888
Brown, Willard Dayton.....	35 Hamilton Ave., Passaic, N. J.	898
Bruce, William P., D. D.....	25 E. 22d St., N. Y. City.....	914
Bruggers, John H.....	Orange City, Iowa.....	911
Bruins, H. M.....	Pella, Iowa	901
Brummel, Jacob	Armour, S. D.....	912
Bryant, James P.....	Schenectady, N. Y.....	872
Bulness, John C.....	Troy, N. Y., R. D. 4.....	906
Burggraaf, J. J.....	Hudsonville, Mich., R. D. 3....	882
Burrell, David J., D. D.....	1 W. 29 St., New York City....	894
Calverly, E. E.....	Arabia	886
Campbell, Charles H.....	Wortendyke, N. J.....	899
Cantine, James, D. D.....	Muscat, Arabia	885
Carter, George William, Ph.D.....	155 Lincoln Rd., Brooklyn, N. Y.	887
Case, Clifford P., D. D.....	Poughkeepsie, N. Y.....	904
Caton, J. Collings.....	377 East 31st St., Paterson, N. J.	898
Chadsey, Horace T.....	Monsey, N. Y.....	899
Chamberlain, Lewis B.....	New Brunswick, N. J.....	893
Chamberlain, Wm. I., D. D., Ph.D.....	25 East 22d St., New York City.	893
Cheff, Paul P.....	75 W. 11th St., Holland, Mich... ..	888
Chrestensen, D. H.....	Nassau, N. Y.....	906
Church, John B.....	518 River St., Paterson, N. J....	900
Churchman, A. B.....	400 E. 67th St., N. Y. City.....	895
Clapp, Ernest	New Paltz, N. Y.....	885
Clark, William Walton.....	532 Clinton Av., Brooklyn, N. Y.	895
Clearwater, Charles K.....	23 Vietor Place, Elmhurst, N. Y.	886
Clifford, Philip H.....	266 Prosp't St., Ridgewood, N. J.	898
Cobb, Henry Evertson, D. D.....	370 West End Ave., N. Y. City.	894
Coenen, Herbert G.....	Arlington, N. J.....	892
Colden, William	Bloomingburgh, N. Y.....	896
Colenbrander, H.	Rock Valley, Iowa	912
Collier, Edward A., D. D.....	Kinderhook, N. Y.....	906
Collier, George Zabriskie	Middleburgh, N. Y.....	910
Compton, William E.....	Mariners Harbor, N. Y.....	895
Condit, Charles B.....	63 Taylor St., Newark, N. J.....	892
Conger, Alexander M.....	New Hackensack, N. Y.....	904
Conger, Willard	Port Jervis, N. Y.....	896

Conklin, Marion T.....	Middletown, N. J.....	889
Conklin W. Dumont	Herkimer, N. Y.....	890
Conover, Garrett M.....	414 Sewell Ave., Asbury Park, N. J.	889
Cook, George E.....	Pipestone, Minn., R. D. 1.....	912
Cook, Henry Dyer	Ridgewood, N. J., R. D.....	898
Cook, Marinus	Kalamazoo, Mich., R. D. 11....	880
Cornish, Floyd L.....	3919 Brandon Ave., Brooklyn...	887
Corwin, Charles E.....	Rocky Hill, N. J.....	893
Courtney, Robert W.....	305 West 46th St., N. Y. City...	894
Craig, Horace P.....	Bingham, Maine	902
Crane, Josiah E., Ph.D., S. T. D....	Wurtsboro, N. Y.	896
Cranmer, William Stockton, D. D....	Somerville, N. J.....	905
Crispell, Peter	Newburg, N. Y.....	896
Cussler, H. C.	Fonda, N. Y.....	890
Cutler, Frederick W.	Yonkers, N. Y.....	914
Dailey, W. N. P.....	246 W. 128th St., New York City	894
Dalhoff, H. E.....	Somerville, N. J.....	905
Dame, Clarence P.....	495 Central Ave., Holland, Mich.	888
Dangremond, A. C. V.....	Beacon, N. Y.....	904
Dangremond, G.	Chicago, Ill.	907
Dangremond, George C.....	High Falls, N. Y.....	885
Davis, Edwin Emerson.....	Buskirk, N. Y.....	892
Davis, Lyman E.....	Sharpsburg, Pa.	908
Davis, William Emerson	Lebanon, N. J.....	905
Dawson, Edward	185 Paulison Ave., Passaic, N. J.	898
DeBeer, John	Harrison, S. D.....	877
DeBey, Dirk J.....	Wichita, Kan.	911
DeBoer, Douwe, (Candidate).....	New Brunswick, N. J.....	893
DeBoer, John A.....	675 E. 183d St., New York City	895
DeBuhr, P.	Dell Rapids, So. Dakota	878
DeBruine, S.	Oskaloosa, Iowa	901
Deck, H. A.	Wanaque, N. J.....	900
Decker, Elsworth Ward	Westwood, N. J.....	873
Deelsnyder, C. W.....	Sully, Iowa	901
DeGroot, Douwe	67 E. 102 Pl., Chicago, Ill.....	884
DeHaai, C	Pella, Iowa	901
DeHollender, John A.....	Amsterdam, N. Y., R. D. 6.....	909
DeJong, Jacob P.....	Alton, Sioux Co., Ia.....	911
DeJonge, Gerhard	Zeeland, Mich.	882
DeJongh, John	Edgerton, Minn.	912
DeKraker, James J.....	527 Palisade Ave., W. Hoboken, N. J.	897
DeLange, Theo. L.	Valley Springs, So. Dakota.....	912
Demarest, J. S. N.....	Queens, N. Y.....	886

Demarest, W. H. S., D. D.....	New Brunswick, N. J.....	893
DeMeester, Peter	Owasco, N. Y.....	891
DeMotts, Gerritt	Wallkill, N. Y.....	896
Denekas, Wolbert	Pelkin, Ill.	903
Den Herder, M. J.	Livingston, N. Y.	883
Denman, M. A.....	96 Maplewood Terrace, Spring- field, Mass.	887
DePree, Henry P.	Amoy, China	901
DePree, James	Sioux Centre, Iowa	912
Derbyshire, A. J.....	Mamaroneck, N. Y.....	887
DeVries, Henri	Peekskill, N. Y.....	914
DeVries, J. M.....	Everly, Iowa	878
DeWitt, John Ten Eyck	Oradell, N. J.....	873
DeYoung, A.	525 Church Place, Grand Rap- ids, Mich.	879
DeYoung, Benj.	Newark, N. Y.....	907
DeYoung, Cornelius	Schenectady, N. Y.....	909
Dickens, Wm. H.....	Mt. Marion, N. Y.....	913
Diekhoff, William	Oregon, Ill.	903
Ditmars, C. Peterson	Niskayuna, N. Y.....	909
Dixon, Charles Morison	Pompton Lakes, N. J.....	900
Dolfin, Cornelius	Hudsonville, Mich.	882
Donovan, George H.....	100 N. York Av., Newark, N. J..	892
Douma, Robert W.....	Ada, Mich.	879
Douwstra, George H.....	Hospers, Iowa	911
Dowstra, Harm	Orange City, Ia., R. D. 1.....	911
Dowstra, R. D.....	Boyden, Iowa	911
Doyle, Daniel P.....	Colts Neck, N. J.....	889
Dragt, John J.....	Twin Brooks, So. Dakota.....	912
Droppers, Oliver G.....	143 Williams St., Muskegon, Mich.	880
Drumm, T. Porter	510 Broad St., Newark, N. J....	892
Duck, E. M.....	177 Winfield Ave., Jersey City..	874
Duddy, Frank E.....	Poughkeepsie, N. Y.....	904
Duiker, Roelof (Candidate)	Lansing, Ill.	877
Duiker, William J.....	Lansing, Ill.	876
Dumont, William A.....	West Coxsackie, N. Y.....	881
Duncombe, Alfred	Long Branch, N. J.....	889
Durfee, Jesse F.....	Hurley, N. Y.....	885
Duryee, Abram	25 E. 22d St., N. Y. City.....	874
Duryee, Joseph Rankin, D. D.....	139 E. 36th St., New York City.	895
Dushaw, Amos I.....	141 Noble St., Brooklyn, N. Y...	886
Dusinberre, Thomas S.....	Pine Plains, N. Y.....	899
Duven, Matthias J.....	Preston, Minn., R. D. 5.....	915
Duven, Wm.	Conrad, Montana	875

Dykema, James	66 Watson Ave., E. Orange, N. J.	892
Dykema, Klaas J.	1026 Adams St., Grand Rapids, Mich.	879
Dykhuizen, Harm	Hingham, Wis.	915
Dykstra, B. D.	Platte, So. Dakota	877
Dykstra, Dirk	Bahrein, Arabia, via Bombay...	915
Dykstra, John Albert	772 St. Nicholas Ave., N. Y. City	895
Dykstra, John D.	Westfield, No. Dakota	877
Dykstra, Lawrence	Danforth, Ill.	876
Eastman, E. Fred	Roslyn, N. Y.	886
Eckerson, Frank	Amoy, China	892
Edson, J. Clements	Brooklyn, N. Y.	873
Emerick, Irving P.	Hicksville, L. I., N. Y.	886
Engelsman, John	Orange City, Iowa	911
Eliason, H. A.	326 24th St., Guttenberg, N. J. ...	897
Erhardt, Frederick C.	1062 Herkimer St., Brooklyn...	887
Farrar, James M., D. D., LL.D.	1242 Dean St., Brooklyn	887
Febrile, D. N.	122 Mt. Prospect Ave., Newark, N. J.	892
Fellstrom, A. Arthur	157 Lexington Ave., N. Y. City	895
Fenn, Francis Richard	483 Ferry St., Newark, N. J. ...	892
Ficken, H. Curtis	St. Johnsville, N. Y.	891
Fingar, Claudius J.	Lebanon, N. J.	905
Fisher, J. W., Jr.	Elmsford, N. Y.	914
Fisher, Orville E. (Chaplain, Capt.) ..	Headquarters, Camp Travis, Texas	887
Fletcher, O. M.	145 Neck Road, Brooklyn, N. Y.	887
Flipse, Martin	Holland, Mich.	882
Flikkema, B. M.	Killduff, Iowa	901
Flikkema, Garret	Prairie City, Iowa	901
Foertner, Fred E.	Pompton Plains, N. J.	900
Folensbee, B. J.	St. Thomas, V. I., U. S. A.	887
Forbes, J. C.	Hawthorne, N. Y.	914
Force, F. A.	Rifton Glen, N. Y.	883
Francis, Lewis, D. D.	Hotel Bossert, Brooklyn, N. Y.	886
Franzen, Hubert L.	15 W. 25th St., Bayonne, N. J.	874
Freer, Harris A.	2228 N. 18th St., Phila., Pa.	902
Frerichs, John B.	Scotland, So. Dakota	878
Frieling, Hark	1037 Ionia Ave., Grand Rapids..	879
Frost, Henry D.	Lawyersville, N. Y.	910
Fry, Frank S.	310 Monastery Ave., Phila., Pa.	902
Furbeck, George W.	Altamont, N. Y.	909
Furda, Englehard	Sibley, Iowa	911
Ganss, Jacob J.	Perth Amboy, N. J.	893
Gardner, John C.	Englewood, N. J.	873

Gardner, John S., D. D.	266 Altamont Pl., Somerville, N. J.	887
Garland, D. G.	Florence, So. Carolina	902
Garretson, Gilbert S.	Stratford, Conn.	896
Garretson, James C.	178 Main St., Madison, N. J.	892
Gebhard, John G., D. D.	Mt. Vernon, New York	914
Gebhard, John G., Jr.	Vellore, India	914
Giles, W. Warren, D. D.	32 Carleton St., E. Orange, N. J.	892
Gillespie, John H., D. D.	New Brunswick, N. J.	893
Girtanner, Carl	16 West End Ave., Newark, N. J.	892
Goebel, Gustavus A. T.	Milwaukee, Wis.	902
Gosselink, Marion G.	South Branch, N. J.	905
Gouwens, Teunis E.	Mountain Lakes, N. J.	900
Gowen, Isaac W., D. D.	Weehawken, N. J.	897
Graham, James E.	River Edge, N. J.	873
Green, Harold E.	South Bound Brook, N. J.	893
Griglio, Pietro	366 W. 25th St., New York City	895
Grooters, Peter	Otley, Iowa	901
Grull, John Dirk	Bemis, So. Dakota	877
Gruys, William S.	Lucas, Mich.	880
Gulick, Charles W.	Camp Mills, Garden City, N. Y.	873
Gutweiler, Ernest	Hicksville, N. Y.	886
Hageman, Andrew	1239 Herkimer St., Brooklyn	887
Hageman, Herman	Claverack, N. Y.	883
Hageman, Theodore A.	Fultonville, N. Y.	890
Hager, Titus	Paterson, N. J.	900
Hahn, Albert F.	1288 Stebbins Ave., N. Y. City	894
Haken, G.	Titonka, Iowa	903
Hallenbeck, Chas. A.	Scarsdale, N. Y.	914
Hamlin, Henry F.	Watervliet, N. Y.	908
Hamner, J. G., Jr.	Belleville, N. J.	892
Hamory, Louis S. H.	Manville, N. J.	893
Hankamp, George	Jamestown, Mich.	882
Hansen, Andrew	18 Ten Eyck Ave., Albany, N. Y.	872
Harmeling, Henry	Zeeland, Mich.	882
Harmeling, Stephen J.	Vashon, Wash.	877
Harper, R. H.	Lawton, Okla.	895
Harris, David T.	Wurtsboro, N. Y.	883
Hart, John	Neshanic, N. J.	902
Hart, William Reese	307 Montgomery St., Jersey City, N. J.	874
Hasbrouck, Howard C.	653 Schenck Av., Brooklyn, N.Y.	887
Hauser, George	Warrenville, N. J.	892
Haverkamp, Anthony	Sioux Center, Iowa	912
Heemstra, Jacob	Pella, Iowa	901

Heemstra, John F.....	24 E. 107th St., Chicago, Ill.....	876
Heinrichs, John H.....	Leeds, N. Y.....	881
Hekhuis, Gerrit J.....	Waupun, Wis., R. D. 22.....	915
Hekhuis, Lambertus	Chittoor, India	882
Hendrickson, H. A.....	Lebanon, N. H.....	896
Heneveld, George G.....	Muskegon, Mich.	888
Herge, Charles	Fishkill, N. Y.....	904
Herge, Henry J.	Athens, N. Y.....	881
Heroy, G. M.....	Woodburne, N. Y.....	896
Hill, Alexander	Pattersonville, N. Y.....	909
Hill, Eugene	Garfield, N. J.....	898
Hill, W. Bancroft, D. D.....	Poughkeepsie, N. Y.....	904
Hodson, Joseph M.....	2505 Davidson Ave., N. Y. City.	894
Hoekje, John	Holland, Mich.	882
Hoekje, Willis G.....	Saga, Japan	880
Hoffman, Benjamin	Zeeland, Mich.	882
Hoffman, John	Cawker City, Kansas, R. D. 3...	911
Hoffman, M. J., D. D.....	Pella, Iowa	901
Hoffs, Harry	Coopersville, Mich.	879
Hogan, Jasper S., D. D.....	New Brunswick, N. J.....	893
Hogan, Orville J.....	Closter, N. J.....	873
Hogan, Robert J.....	Gloversville, N. Y.....	909
Hogenboom, Simon M.....	Sodus, N. Y.....	907
Holden, Louis H., Ph.D.....	Utica, N. Y.....	891
Hollebrands, J. J.....	323 Cedar St., Kalamazoo, Mich.	879
Hondelink, Garret	417 Alexander St., Rochester, N. Y.	907
Hopper, Abram W., Ph. D.....	409 16th St., West New York, N. J.	897
Hortsch, H.	Davis, S. D.	878
Hospers, Gerrit H.....	Ontario, N. Y.....	907
Hospers, Henry, D. D.....	Holland, Mich.	941
Hotaling, Burton J.....	Syracuse, N. Y.....	872
Hotaling, Henry K.....	Blawenburg, N. J.....	902
Howard, John R.....	Stuyvesant Falls, N. Y.....	906
Huenemann, Henry	Lennox, S. D.	878
Huibregtse, Edward	New Sharon, Iowa	901
Hulst, George D.....	Upper Montclair, N. J.....	892
Hunter, James Boyd	228 Wegman Parkway, J. C.....	874
Huyler, Peter E.....	Rhineback, N. Y.....	904
Ingham, John A., D. D.....	New Brunswick, N. J.....	893
Iorizzo, Gaetano	Hackensack, N. J.....	873
Irish, Edward B.....	Chaplain U. S. Army.....	895
Israel, George R.....	1839 Decatur St., Brooklyn, N. Y.	887
Jackson, William H.....	Glen Head, N. Y.....	886

Jacobs, Henry C.....	151 Jay St., Albany, N. Y.....	872
Jaeger, Julius	355 E. 68th St., New York City..	894
Janssen, W. T.	Chapin, Iowa	903
Johnson, Arthur, D. D.....	Hackensack, N. J.....	873
Johnson, Edward P., D. D.....	New Brunswick, N. J.....	938
Jones, Henry T.....	Coeymans, N. Y.....	872
Jones, Joseph Addison, D. D.....	315 Madison Ave., Albany, N. Y.	872
Jonker, Philip	U. S. Army Chaplain	883
Joralmon, J. S., D. D.	Los Angeles, Cal.	884
Justin, John	Weehawken, N. J.....	873
Kalemjian, M. N.	Three Bridges, N. J.....	902
Kanter, Howard	New Baltimore, N. Y.....	872
Karreman, Anthony	Muskegon, Mich.	888
Keator, Eugene H.....	Franklin Park, N. J.....	893
Kelder, Edward	Coytesville, N. J.....	897
Kinney, Charles W.....	Schuylerville, N. Y.....	908
Kirkwood, Thomas J.....	Fort Plain, N. Y.....	890
Kittell, James S., D. D.....	84 Elk St., Albany, N. Y.....	872
Klerk, Abraham	1303 E. 32d Av., Spokane, Wash.	875
Knox, Taber	Warwick, N. Y.....	899
Koepe, Edwin B.....	Amoy, China	912
Koerlin, Ernest F.....	Monroe, S. D.	878
Koster, M. E.....	East Williamson, N. Y.....	907
Koster, S. E.	Firth, Neb.	911
Kots, J. W.....	Matlock, Iowa	912
Kramer, George	Sibley, Iowa	878
Kregel, John H.....	Hull, Iowa	912
Krickard, Cornelius	Kalamazoo, Mich.	880
Krisik, Alois A.....	Aurora, Ill.	884
Kroesche, A. C.....	German Valley, Ill.	903
Kroesche, F. H.....	Kings, Ill.	903
Kroodsmma, Robert	Clymer, N. Y.....	907
Kuizenga, John E., D. D.....	Holland, Mich.	941
Kuyper, Cornelius	Cedar Grove, Wis.	915
Kuyper, Hubert	Orange City, Iowa	911
Kyle, J. R., D. D.....	Amsterdam, N. Y.....	890
Labaw, George W.....	Paterson, N. J., R. D. 1.....	900
Laman, A. T.	Baldwin, Wis.	915
Lamar, John	50 W. 111th St., Chicago, Ill....	884
Lammers, Barend W.....	Maple Lake, Minn.	912
Landsiedel, William	Wellsburg, Iowa	903
Lane, Stoddard	Bogota, N. J.....	873
Langwith, Frank A.....	Bushkill, Pa.	896
Lansdale, J. Tucker	Oak Tree, N. J.....	892
Lasher, Calvin E.....	Gardiner, N. Y.....	885

Lawrence, Charles L.....	2635 Monte Vista St., Los Angeles, Cal.	892
Lawsing, Sidney O.....	Durango, Col.	881
Leaver, Lawrence L.....	Fairfield, N. J.....	900
Leeper, James L., D. D.....	Kingston, N. Y.....	913
Leggett, Lester G., D. D.....	69 Orange Ave., Irvington, N. J.	892
Leggett, W. J., Ph.D.....	Nyack, N. Y.	906
Lehman, F. V. W.....	Delmar, N. Y.....	872
Lenington, George C.....	Chaplain U. S. Army.....	895
Lepeltak, C.	Prairie View, Kan., R. 1.....	911
Leslie, A. H. ....	.....	887
Lewis, Henry A.....	Tappan, N. Y.....	899
Lloyd, John Elwy, Ph. D., D. D....	806 Carroll St., Brooklyn.....	887
Lockwood, Henry D. D.....	East Millstone, N. J.....	893
Lonsdale, William J.....	279 Graham Ave., Paterson, N. J.	898
Lord, Edward	Clifton Springs, N. Y.....	893
Loucks, Joel	Canajoharie, N. Y.....	891
Lubbers, Frederick	Sioux Centre, Iowa	912
Luidens, Anthony	Highland Park, New Brunswick, N. J.	893
Lumkes, John M.....	848 W. 62d St., Chicago, Ill.....	876
Lumley, J. A.	Raritan, N. J.	905
Luther, Martin F.....	Annandale, N. J.	905
Luxen, John	Paterson, N. J.....	900
Lyall, John Edward	So. Millbrook, N. Y.....	904
Lydecker, George D.....	Grafton, Mass.	896
Lyon, D. Everett	Queen, L. I., N. Y.....	886
Maar, Charles	538 Morris St., Albany, N. Y.....	872
Maatman, Arthur	New Era, Mich.	880
Maasen, H.	Zeeland, Mich., R. D. 2.....	882
Mabon, Arthur F.....	.....	895
Mackenzie, Thomas H., D. D.....	37 S. Parsons Ave., Flushing, N. Y.	886
MacNair, Wilmer	Holmdel, N. J.	889
MacNeill, William Nash	789 Fairmont Place, N. Y. City..	894
MacCready, Robert H.....	535 W. 111th St., N. Y. City.....	895
McClinchie, Uriah	Irvington, N. J.....	892
McCullum, Edward A., D. D.....	Castleton, N. Y.....	906
McCully, Edgar I.....	Oradell, N. J.....	873
McElwee, Robert	Winnebago, Neb.	895
McEwan, David	Orange City, Iowa	877
McLeod, Malcolm J.....	1 West 48th St., N. Y. City.....	894
Maddaus, Oscar	Manhasset, N. Y.....	886
Mager, William	411 Columbia St., Weehawken, N. J.	897

Maines, Walter S.....	Ellenville, N. Y.....	896
Mallery, Charles G.....	Bedminster, N. J.....	905
Manchee, William	128 William St., East Orange, N. J.	897
Mann, A. I.....	Yonkers, N. Y.....	914
Mansen, Folkert B.....	Prairie View, Kan.	911
Many, D. J., Jr.	Rexford, N. Y., R. D.....	909
Marcley, Allen F.....	West Albany, N. Y., R. D.....	909
Martin, James M.....	Hudson, N. Y.....	883
Mason, A. DeWitt, D. D.....	222 Garfield Place, Brooklyn....	887
Mead, Elias	Passaic, N. J.....	889
Mead, Peter F.	Accord, N. Y.....	885
Meeker, Edward J.....	Lodi, N. Y.	890
Meengs, John G.....	Schenectady, N. Y.....	909
Meengs, Raymond D.....	Hamilton, Mich.	888
Meier, Jacob	1155 E. 93d St., Brooklyn, N. Y.	887
Menning, G.	821 Burton St., Grand Rapids, Mich.	879
Menning, Seine J.....	Rock Rapids, Iowa	911
Mertz, John E.....	Freehold, N. J.....	889
Messler, Isaac	McKee, Kentucky	895
Meulendyke, Josiah	Chicago Lawn, Chicago, Ill....	876
Meury, E. G. W., D. D., LL. D.....	405 W. 41st St., New York City.	894
Meyer, Andrew J.....	15 Himrod St., Brooklyn, N. Y..	886
Miller, Edward W., D. D.....	Locust Valley, N. Y.....	886
Miller, John Clarence	228 34th St., Woodcliff, N. J. ...	897
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<i>Fifth</i> (Holland), Jay St..Albany		Avon, S. D., <i>Tyndall</i>	Dakota
<i>Sixth</i> , Allen St.....	Albany	Baileyville, Ill.....	Pleasant Prairie
Alexander, Ia., <i>First</i> , Pl. Prairie		Baker, Melvin, Ia.....	Germania
Alexandria Bay, N. Y., <i>Thou-</i>		Baldwin, Wis.	Wisconsin
<i>sand Isles</i>	Montgomery	Barren Island....	South Long Island
All Souls, Florence, S. C.,		Bay Ridge.....	South Long Island
Philadelphia		Bayonne, N. J.—	
Allegan, Mich.	Holland	<i>First</i>	South Bergen
Allendale <i>First</i> , Jenison, Mich.,		<i>Third</i>	South Bergen
Michigan		<i>Fifth Street</i>	South Bergen
Altamont, N. Y.....	Schenectady	Beacon, N. Y., <i>Fishkill-on-Hud-</i>	
Alvo, Waupun, Wis.....	Wisconsin	<i>son</i>	Poughkeepsie
Alton, Iowa	East Sioux	Beacon, N. Y., <i>Glenham</i> ,	
Alvord	West Sioux	Poughkeepsie	
Amity, Rexfords, N. Y..	Schenectady	Beaverdam, Berne, N. Y...Schoharie	
Amsterdam, N. Y.—		Beaverdam, Zeeland, Mich..Holland	
<i>First</i>	Montgomery	Bedminster, N. J.....	Raritan
<i>Trinity</i>	Montgomery	Belfast, Me., <i>Trinity</i>	New York
Anderson Mem'l.....	New York	Belle Mead, N. J. <i>Griggstown</i> ,	
Annandale, N. J.....	Raritan	New Brunswick	
Annaville, Ky.	New York	Belleville, <i>Second River</i>	Newark
Apache, White Tail, N. M.New York		Bellevue, Schenectady...Schenectady	
Aplington, Ia.—		Belmond, Ia., <i>Immanuel</i> ..Pl. Prairie	
<i>First</i>	Pleasant Prairie	Bergen, Jersey City..South Bergen	
<i>Monroe</i>	Pleasant Prairie	Berne, N. Y.—	
Arcadia, Newark, N. Y...Rochester		<i>First</i>	Schoharie
Archer, Ia.....	East Sioux	<i>Second</i> , Knox, N. Y.....	Albany

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<i>Beaverdam</i>	Schoharie	<i>Flatbush, First</i>	South L. I.
<i>Bethany, Brooklyn</i>	South L. I.	<i>Flatbush, Second</i>	South L. I.
<i>Bethany, Chicago</i>	Illinois	<i>Flatlands</i>	South Long Island
<i>Bethany, Clara City</i>	Germania	<i>German Ev.</i>	North Long Island
<i>Bethany, Grand Rapids</i>	Michigan	<i>Grace, Lincoln Road</i>	South L. I.
<i>Bethany, Kalamazoo, Mich.</i>	Michigan	<i>Gravesend, Neck Road</i>	South L. I.
<i>Bethany Mem'l, N. Y.</i>	New York	<i>Greenwood Heights</i>	South L. I.
<i>Bethany, Sully, Ia.</i>	Pella	<i>Kent Street</i>	North Long Island
<i>Bethel, Elsworth, Minn.</i>	Germania	<i>New Brooklyn</i>	South Long Island
<i>Bethel, Leota, Minn.</i>	West Sioux	<i>New Lots</i>	South Long Island
<i>Bethel, Pella, Ia.</i>	Pella	<i>New Utrecht</i>	South Long Island
<i>Bethlehem, First, Selkirk</i>	Albany	<i>Ocean Hill</i>	South Long Island
<i>Beverly, Mich.</i>	Grand River	<i>South, 427 56th St.</i>	South L. I.
<i>Bigelow, Minn.</i>	East Sioux	<i>South Bushwick</i>	North L. I.
<i>Big Timber, Mont., Hope</i>	Cascades	<i>Twelfth Street</i>	South Long Island
<i>Blawenburg, N. J.</i>	Philadelphia	<i>Williamsburg</i>	North Long Island
<i>Blendon, North, Hudsonville,</i>		<i>Windsor Terrace</i>	South L. I.
<i>Mich.</i>	Holland	<i>Woodhaven</i>	South L. I.
<i>Blendon, South, Hudsonville,</i>		<i>Woodlawn</i>	South L. I.
<i>Mich.</i>	Holland	<i>Buffalo, N. Y.</i>	Rochester
<i>Bloomfield, N. J., Brookdale,</i>		<i>Buffalo Center, Ia.</i>	Pleasant Prairie
	Newark	<i>Bushkill, Pa., Lower Walpack,</i>	
<i>Bloomington, N. Y.</i>	Orange		Orange
<i>Bloomington, N. Y.</i>	Kingston	<i>Bushwick, Brooklyn</i>	North L. I.
<i>Bloomington, N. Y., Blooming-</i>		<i>Buskirks Bridge, N. Y.</i>	Saratoga
<i>dale</i>	Kingston	<i>Byron Center, Mich.</i>	Grand River
<i>Blue Mountains, Saugerties</i>	Ulster	<i>Callicoon, Callicoon Center</i>	Orange
<i>Boght, Cohoes, N. Y.</i>	Saratoga	<i>Callicoon Center, Callicoon</i>	Orange
<i>Bogart Mem'l, Bogota</i>	Bergen	<i>Calvary, Cleveland</i>	Holland
<i>Bogota, N. J., Bogart Mem'l</i>	Bergen	<i>Cambria, Wis., Randolph Center,</i>	
<i>Boonton, N. J.</i>	Passaic		Wisconsin
<i>Bound Brook, South Bound Brook,</i>		<i>Canajoharie, N. Y.</i>	Montgomery
<i>N. J.</i>	New Brunswick	<i>Canarsie</i>	South Long Island
<i>Boyden, Iowa</i>	East Sioux	<i>Carmel, Rock Valley, Ia.</i>	West Sioux
<i>Brighton, Rochester, N. Y.</i>	Rochester	<i>Case Township, Moore, Okl.</i>	Iowa
<i>Brighton Heights</i>	New York	<i>Castleton, Emmanuel</i>	Rensselaer
<i>Bristow, Iowa</i>	Pleasant Prairie	<i>Castlewood, Dempster, S. D.</i>	Dakota
<i>Broadway, Paterson, N. J.</i>	Paramus	<i>Catskill, N. Y.</i>	Greene
<i>Bronxville, N. Y.</i>	Westchester	<i>Catskill, N. Y., Kiskatom</i>	Greene
<i>Brookdale, Bloomfield</i>	Newark	<i>Cawker City, Rotterdam</i>	East Sioux
<i>Brooklyn, N. Y.</i> —		<i>Cedar Grove, Wis.</i>	Wisconsin
<i>Barren Island</i>	South Long Island	<i>Centreville, Athenia, N. J.</i>	Paramus
<i>Bay Ridge, 2d Ave. and 8th</i>		<i>Central Avenue, Jersey City,</i>	
<i>St.</i>	South Long Island		Palisades
<i>Bushwick</i>	North Long Island	<i>Central Bridge, N. Y.</i>	Schoharie
<i>Canarsie</i>	South Long Island	<i>Central Lake, Mich., Atwood,</i>	
<i>Church of Jesus, Ralph St.,</i>			Grand River
	North Long Island	<i>Chancellor, S. D., First</i>	Germania
<i>Church-on-the-Heights</i>	South L. I.	<i>Chancellor, S. D., First Lennox,</i>	
<i>East Williamsburg</i>	North L. I.		Pleasant Prairie
<i>Edgewood</i>	South Long Island	<i>Chandler, Minn.</i>	West Sioux
<i>First, Seventh Ave.</i>	South L. I.	<i>Chapin, Ia., Zion</i>	Pleasant Prairie
		<i>Charles Mix, Platte, S. D.</i>	Dakota
		<i>Chatham, N. Y.</i>	Rensselaer

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Chicago, Ill.—		Colony, Oklahoma, <i>Columbian</i> ,	New York
First, 13th Pl.	Chicago	Columbia, N. Y.	Montgomery
First Englewood, 62d and Pe-		Colt's Neck, N. J.	Monmouth
oria Sts.	Chicago	<i>Columbian</i> , Colony, Okla..	New York
Second, Englewood.	Illinois	Conrad, Mont., <i>Montana</i> ,	
Bethany, 130 111th St.	Illinois	First	Cascades
Emmanuel	Illinois	Constantine, Mich.	Michigan
Gano, Clark and 117th Sts.,		Coopersville, Mich.	Grand River
Chicago		Corsica, S. D.	Dakota
Kensington, Ital. Miss.	Illinois	Cortland, N. Y.	Montgomery
North Western, W. Superior		<i>Cortlandtown</i> , Montrose..	Westchester
St.	Illinois	Coytesville, N. J.	Palisades
Rosland, First, Michigan Ave.		Coxsackie, First, West Coxsackie,	
and 107th St.	Chicago	N. Y.	Greene
Summit, Chicago.	Chicago	Coxsackie, Second.	Greene
Trinity, Marshfield Ave.	Illinois	Cranesville, N. Y.	Montgomery
West Side, Chicago.	Chicago	Cranesville, N. Y., First Glen-	
West Side, Hungarian.	Illinois	ville	Schenectady
Churchville, Pa., North and		Crawford, Colo., <i>Fruitland</i> ..	W. Sioux
Southampton	Philadelphia	<i>Crescent Place</i> , Yonkers,	
Churchville, Pipestone, Minn.,		Westchester	
West Sioux		<i>Cromwell Center</i> , Evely, Ia.,	
Cicero, N. Y.	Montgomery	Germania	
Clara City, Minn.—		Cuddebackville, N. Y.	Orange
First	West Sioux	Currytown, N. Y.	Montgomery
Bethany	Germania	Cutting, Clymer, N. Y.	Rochester
Claraville, Grahamsville, N. Y.,		Danforth, Ill.	Chicago
Orange		Dashville Falls, Rifton, N. Y.,	
Clarkstown, West Nyack, N. Y.,		Kingston	
Paramus		Davis, S. D.	Germania
Clarksville, N. Y.	Albany	Decatur, Mich.	Grand River
Claverack, N. Y.	Hudson	Deerpark, Port Jervis, N. Y..	Orange
Cleveland, Ohio—		<i>Delaware</i> , Lennox.	Germania
First	Holland	<i>Dell Rapids</i> , Logan.	Germania
Calvary	Holland	Delmar, N. Y.	Albany
Clifton, N. J.	Paramus	<i>De Motte</i> , Thayer, Ind.	Chicago
Closter, N. J.	Bergen	Dempster, S. D.	Germania
Clove, High Falls, N. Y..	Kingston	Detroit, Mich.	Grand River
Clover Hill, N. J.	Philadelphia	Dingman's Ferry, Pa., <i>Upper</i>	
Clove Valley Chapel.	New York	<i>Walpack</i>	Orange
Clover Road Chapel, Staten Island,		Dolton, Ill.	Wisconsin
New York		Doon, Ia.	West Sioux
Clymer, N. Y., <i>Abbe</i>	Rochester	Douglaston, N. Y.	N. Long Island
<i>Clymerhill</i> , Clymer, N. Y..	Rochester	Dunanesburg, N. Y., <i>Princeton</i> ,	
Cobleskill, N. Y.	Schoharie	Schenectady	
Cobleskill, <i>Howe's Cave</i> , First,		Dumont, Iowa.	Pleasant Prairie
Schoharie		Dumont, N. J., <i>Schraalenburg</i> ,	
Coeyman's, N. Y.	Albany	Bergen	
Cohoes, N. Y.—		<i>Dunningville</i> , Hamilton, Mich.,	
<i>Boght</i>	Saratoga	Holland	
First	Saratoga	East Belfast, Me., <i>Trinity</i> ..	New York
Cold Spring, N. Y.	Poughkeepsie	East Greenbush, N. Y., <i>Green-</i>	
College Point.	North Long Island	bush	Rensselaer
Collegiate Church.	New York		

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East Millstone.....	New Brunswick	Flatbush, Brooklyn.....	South L. I.
East Orange, N. J., <i>Orange, First,</i>		Flatbush, Saugerties, N. Y....	Ulster
	Newark	Flatlands, Brooklyn, N. Y.,	
East Orange, <i>Hyde Park</i>	Newark		South Long Island
East Overisel, Hamilton.....	Holland	Florence, S. C., <i>All Souls,</i>	
East Williamson, N. Y....	Rochester		Philadelphia
Easton, Greenwich, N. Y....	Saratoga	Florida, Minaville.....	Montgomery
Ebenezer, Holland, Mich....	Holland	Flushing, N. Y....	North Long Island
Ebenezer, Leighton, Ia.....	Pella	Fonda, N. Y.....	Montgomery
Ebenezer, Morrison, Ill.....	Chicago	Fordham	New York
Ebenezer, Oregon, Ill....	Pl. Prairie	Fort Herkimer, Mohawk, N. Y.,	
Edgerton, Minn.....	West Sioux		Montgomery
Edgewood, Brooklyn....	South L. I.	Fort Miller, N. Y.....	Saratoga
Eddyville, Ia.	Pella	Fort Plain, <i>First</i>	Montgomery
Elim, Kings, Ill....	Pleasant Prairie	Fort Plain, <i>Stone Arabia,</i>	
Ellenville, N. Y.....	Orange		Montgomery
Elmendorf Chapel.....	New York	Fort Washington.....	New York
Elmhurst, N. Y.—		Forreston, Ill....	Pleasant Prairie
<i>Newton, First</i>	North L. I.	Forrestville, Ringle.....	Wisconsin
<i>Second, German</i>	North L. I.	Franklin, Nutley, N. J....	Newark
Elmsford, N. Y., <i>Greenburgh,</i>		Franklin, Hales Corners, Wis.,	
	Westchester		Wisconsin
Ellsworth, Minn., <i>Bethel</i> ..	Germania	Franklin Park, N. J., <i>Six Mile</i>	
Emmanuel, <i>Chicago</i>	Illinois	<i>Run</i>	New Brunswick
Emmanuel, Castleton, N. Y.,		Free Grace, Middleburg, Orange	
	Rensselaer	City, Ia.	East Sioux
Emmanuel, <i>Poughkeepsie,</i>		Freehold, <i>First</i> , Marlboro, N. J.,	
	Poughkeepsie		Monmouth
Englewood, <i>First</i> , Chicago...	Chicago	Freehold, N. J., <i>Second</i> ..	Monmouth
Englewood, <i>Second</i> , Chicago.	Illinois	Friesland, Sandstone, Minn.W.	Sioux
English Neighborhood, Ridgefield,		Fremont, Mich.....	Grand River
N. J.	Bergen	Fruitland Mesa, Crawford, Colo.,	
Ephratah, N. Y.....	Montgomery		West Sioux
Erie, Ill., <i>Newton</i>	Wisconsin	Fulton, Ill., <i>First</i>	Chicago
Esopus, Ulster Park, N. Y....	Ulster	Fulton, Ill., <i>Second</i>	Chicago
Everly, <i>Cromwell Center</i> ..	Germania	Fultonville, N. Y.....	Montgomery
Fairfield, N. J.....	Passaic	Galesburg, Kilduff, Ia.....	Pella
Faith, Jersey City...	South Bergen	Gallatin, Mount Ross, N. Y..	Hudson
Fair Street, Kingston....	Kingston	Gano, Chicago	Chicago
Fairview, Ill.	Illinois	Gansevoort, N. Y.....	Saratoga
Fairview So. Dakota....	West Sioux	Gardiner, N. Y.....	Kingston
Far Rockaway, <i>Ger. Evang.</i> ,		Garfield, N. J.....	Paramus
	North Long Island	Gary, Minn., <i>Spring Creek</i> ..	W. Sioux
Fenton, Ill., <i>Newton</i>	Chicago	George, Iowa, <i>Hope</i>	Germania
Feura Bush, N. Y., <i>Jerusalem,</i>		German Evangelical, Brooklyn, N.	
	Albany	Y.	North Long Island
Feura Bush, N. Y., <i>Onesquethaw,</i>		German Evangelical, Jamaica, N.	
	Albany	Y.	North Long Island
Fifth Street, Bayonne, N. J.,		German Evangelical, Jersey City,	
	South Bergen	N. J.....	South Bergen
Firth, Neb.	East Sioux	German Evangelical, <i>St. John's,</i>	
Fishkill, N. Y.....	Poughkeepsie	Jersey City.....	South Bergen
Fishkill-on Hudson, Beacon, N.		German Evangelical, Plainfield, N.	
Y.	Poughkeepsie	J.	Newark

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<i>German Evangelical, Elmhurst, L.</i>		<i>Immanuel</i>	Michigan
<i>I.</i>	North Long Island	<i>Knapp Ave.</i>	Michigan
<i>German Evangelical, Fourth, New</i>		<i>Ninth</i>	Grand River
<i>York City.</i>	New York	<i>Second</i>	Michigan
<i>German Evangelical, Far Rock-</i>		<i>Seventh, Jeanette St.</i> ..	G. River
<i>away, N. Y.</i> ..	North Long Island	<i>Sixth (Oakland Park), Adams</i>	
<i>German Evangelical (St. Peter's),</i>		<i>St.</i>	Grand River
<i>New York City.</i>	New York	<i>Third, Diamond St.</i> ..	Grand River
<i>Germantown, N. Y.</i>	Hudson	<i>Trinity</i>	Michigan
<i>Germantown, N. Y., Livingston</i>		<i>Grand View, Armour, S. D.</i> ..	Dakota
<i>Mem'l</i>	Hudson	<i>Grandville, Mich.</i>	Grand River
<i>German Valley, Ill., Silver Creek,</i>		<i>Grant, Mich.</i>	Grand River
<i>Pleasant Prairie</i>		<i>Gravesend, Brooklyn.</i> ..	South L. I.
<i>Ghent, N. Y.—</i>		<i>Gray Hawk, Ky.</i>	New York
<i>First</i>	Rensselaer	<i>Greenberg, Elmsford.</i> ..	Westchester
<i>Second</i>	Rensselaer	<i>Greenbush, East Greenbush, N.</i>	
<i>New Concord</i>	Rensselaer	<i>Y.</i>	Rensselaer
<i>Gibbsville, Sheboygan Falls, Wis.,</i>		<i>Greenleafston, Preston.</i> ..	Wisconsin
<i>Wisconsin</i>		<i>Greenport, Hudson, N. Y.</i> ..	Hudson
<i>Gilboa, N. Y.—</i>		<i>Greenpoint, Brooklyn.</i> ..	North L. I.
<i>First</i>	Schoharie	<i>Greenville, Jersey City.</i> ..	S. Bergen
<i>South</i>	Schoharie	<i>Greenville, Scarsdale, N. Y.,</i>	
<i>Glen, N. Y.</i>	Montgomery	<i>Westchester</i>	
<i>Glenham, Beacon, N. Y.,</i>		<i>Greenwich, N. Y.—</i>	
<i>Poughkeepsie</i>		<i>First</i>	Saratoga
<i>Glen Head, N. Y., Oyster Bay,</i>		<i>Easton</i>	Saratoga
<i>North Long Island</i>		<i>Greenwood Heights, Brooklyn,</i>	
<i>Glen Rock, Ridgewood, N. J.,</i>		<i>N. Y.</i>	South Long Island
<i>Paramus</i>		<i>Griggstown, Belle Mead, N. J.,</i>	
<i>Glenville, First, Cranesville, N.</i>		<i>New Brunswick</i>	
<i>Y.</i>	Schenectady	<i>Grove Church, New Durham,</i>	
<i>Scotia, N. Y.</i>	Schenectady	<i>Weehawken, N. J.</i>	Bergen
<i>Goodland, Ind.</i>	Wisconsin	<i>Guilderland Center, N. Y., Hel-</i>	
<i>Graafschap, Holland, Mich.</i> ..	Holland	<i>derberg</i>	Schenectady
<i>Grace, Brooklyn.</i> ..	South Long Island	<i>Guilford, New Paltz, N. Y.</i> ..	Kingston
<i>Grace, Grand Rapids.</i> ..	Michigan	<i>Guttenberg, Passaic, N. J.</i> ..	Palisades
<i>Grace, Orangeburgh, S. C.,</i>		<i>Hackensack, N. J.—</i>	
<i>Philadelphia</i>		<i>First</i>	Bergen
<i>Grahamsville, N. Y.</i>	Orange	<i>Second</i>	Bergen
<i>Grahamsville, Claraville.</i> ..	Orange	<i>Third</i>	Bergen
<i>Grahamsville, Walkill.</i> ..	Orange	<i>Hagaman, N. Y.</i>	Montgomery
<i>Grand Gorge</i>	Schoharie	<i>Italian</i>	Bergen
<i>Grand Haven, Mich.—</i>		<i>Hales Corners, Wis., Franklin,</i>	
<i>First</i>	Grand River	<i>Wisconsin</i>	
<i>Second</i>	Michigan	<i>Hamilton, Mich.—</i>	
<i>Grand Rapids, Mich.—</i>		<i>American</i>	Michigan
<i>Bethany</i>	Michigan	<i>Dunningville</i>	Holland
<i>Bethel</i>	Michigan	<i>East Overisel</i>	Holland
<i>Eighth, Burton Ave.</i> ..	Grand River	<i>First</i>	Holland
<i>Fifth, Carpenter St.</i> ..	Grand River	<i>Hamilton Grange</i>	New York
<i>First, Fountain St.</i> ..	Michigan	<i>Harlem, Mich.</i>	Holland
<i>Fourth, North Ionia St.,</i>		<i>Harlem, New York City.</i> ..	New York
<i>Grand River</i>		<i>Harlingen, N. J.</i>	Philadelphia
<i>Grace</i>	Michigan	<i>Harrington Park, N. J.</i> ..	Bergen

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Harrison, S. D.....	Dakota	Newkirk	East Sioux
Hasbrouck Heights, N. J....	Bergen	Howe's Cave, N. Y.—	
Hastings-on-Hudson, N. Y.,		First, Cobleskill, N. Y. .	Schoharie
Westchester		Second	Schoharie
Hawthorne, N. J.....	Paramus	Hudson City, Jersey City,	
Hawthorne, N. Y., Unionville,		South Bergen	
Westchester		Hudson, N. Y.....	Hudson
Helderberg, Guilderland Center,		Hudson, N. Y., Greenport...	Hudson
N. Y.	Schenectady	Hudson, N. Y., Hungarian...	Hudson
Herkimer, N. Y.....	Montgomery	Hudsonville, Mich.—	
Herman, Minn.	Germania	Hudsonville	Holland
Hicksville, N. Y..	North Long Island	South Blendon	Holland
High Bridge (Union), New York		North Blendon	Holland
City	New York	First Jamestown	Holland
High Bridge, N. J.....	Raritan	Huguenot Park, S. I....	New York
High Falls, N. Y., Clove..	Kingston	Hull, Ia., First.....	West Sioux
Highland Park, N. J..	N. Brunswick	Hull, Ia., American.....	Dakota
Highwood, N. J.....	Bergen	Hungarian, Hudson	Hudson
High Woods, Mt. Marion, N. Y.,		Hungarian, Manville..	N. Brunswick
Ulster		Hungarian, Peekskill, N. Y.,	
Hillsborough, Millstone, N. J.,		Westchester	
New Brunswick		Hungarian, West Side, Chicago,	
Hingham, Wis.	Wisconsin	Illinois	
Hoboken, N. J.—		Hurley, N. Y.....	Kingston
First	Palisades	Hyde Park, N. Y....	Poughkeepsie
German Evangelical ...	Palisades	Hyde Park, East Orange, N. J.,	
Holland, Little Falls, N. J..	Passaic	Newark	
Holland, Wortendyke, N. J..	Paramus	Interlaken, N. Y.....	Montgomery
Holland, Fifth, Albany....	Albany	Immanuel, Belmont, Ia.,	
Holland, Sixth, Paterson...	Passaic	Pleasant Prairie	
Holland, Union, Paterson...	Passaic	Immanuel, Grand Rapids, Mich.,	
Holland, Mich.—		Michigan	
Ebenezer	Holland	Indianapolis, Ind.	Chicago
First	Holland	Inwood, Ia.	West Sioux
Fourth	Holland	Ireton, Ia.	East Sioux
Graafschap	Holland	Irvington, N. J.—	
Harlem	Holland	First	Newark
Hope	Michigan	Second	Newark
North	Holland	Italian, Hackensack	Bergen
Third	Holland	Italian, Mt. Olivet.....	Newark
Trinity	Michigan	Jamaica, L. I.—	
Sixth	Holland	First.....	North Long Island
Holland, Neb.	East Sioux	German Evangelical..	North L. I.
Holmdel, N. J.....	Monmouth	Jamestown, Mich., Second..	Holland
Hope, Big Timber, Mont..	Cascades	Jamestown, First, Hudsonville,	
Hope, George, Ia.....	Germania	Mich.	Holland
Hope, Holland, Mich.....	Michigan	Jay Gould Mem'l, Roxbury...	Ulster
Hope, Westfield, N. D.....	Dakota	Jenison, Allendale, First...	Michigan
Hope, W. Hoboken, N. J..	Palisades	Jersey City, N. J.—	
Hope, Sheboygan, Wis...	Wisconsin	Bergen	South Bergen
Hopewell Junction, N. Y.,		Central Avenue.....	Palisades
Poughkeepsie		Faith	South Bergen
Hospers, Iowa—		German Evangelical, First,	
First	East Sioux	South Bergen	

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GreenvilleSouth Bergen
Hudson City, Second...S. Bergen
LafayetteSouth Bergen
ParkSouth Bergen
St. John's German Ev....S. Bergen
First Van Vorst...South Bergen
West SideSouth Bergen
 Jerusalem, N. Y.—
First, Feura Bush, N. Y....Albany
OnesquethawAlbany
 Johnstown, N. Y.Montgomery
 Kalamazoo, Mich.—
FirstGrand River
SecondMichigan
ThirdGrand River
FourthGrand River
BethanyMichigan
Twin Lakes.....Grand River
North Park St......Michigan
Katsbaan, SaugertiesUlster
Kent St. (Greenpoint)..North L. I.
 Kensington, Ital. Miss., Chicago,
 Illinois
 Kerhonkson, N. Y.Orange
 Keyport, N. J.Monmouth
 Killduff, Ia., *First*.....Pella
 Killduff, Ia., *Galesburg*.....Pella
 Kinderhook, N. Y.Rensselaer
 Kings, Ill., *Elim*..Pleasant Prairie
 Kingston, N. Y.—
FirstUlster
Fair StreetKingston
ComforterUlster
Kiskatom, Catskill, N. Y....Greene
Knox Mem'l, N. Y....New York
 Knox, N. Y.—
First, Knox, N. Y....Albany
Second BerneAlbany
Koster, St. Anne, Ill....Wisconsin
Kreischersville, St. Peter's...N. Y.
 KrumvilleKingston
 Krumville, *Lyonsville*.....Kingston
Lafayette, Jersey City..South Bergen
Lafayette, Ind.Chicago
Lakeview, S. D......Dakota
Lansing, Ill.Chicago
Lawton, Okla., Vermilye..New York
Lawyersville, N. Y....Schoharie
Lawyersville, Sharon....Schoharie
 Lebanon, N. J.Raritan
 Leeds, N. Y.Greene
 Leighton, Ia., *Ebenezer*.....Pella
 Lennox, S. D.—
DelawareGermania

SecondGermania
 Leota, Minn., *Bethel*....West Sioux
 Lester, IowaEast Sioux
 Linden, N. J.Newark
 Litchville, N. D.Dakota
Linlithgo, Livingston, N. Y...Hudson
Linlithgo, Livingston Mem'l..Hudson
Lisha's Kill, W. Albany..Schenectady
 Little Falls, N. J.—
FirstPassaic
Second, HollandPassaic
 Little Falls, N. Y., *Manheim*,
 Montgomery
 Little Rock, Ia., *Salem*...Germania
Livingston Mem'l, Linlithgo,
 N. Y.Hudson
Livingston, Linlithgo.....Hudson
 Locust Valley....North Long Island
 Lodi, N. J.—
First Holland.....Paramus
SecondParamus
 Lodi, N. Y.Montgomery
Logan, Dell Rapids.....Germania
 Long Branch, N. J.Monmouth
 Long Island City, N. Y.—
FirstNorth Long Island
Steinway....North Long Island
Sunnyside....North Long Island
Lower Walpack, Bushkill...Orange
 Lucas, Mich., *Rehoboth*..Grand River
Luctor, Prairie View, Kans...E. Sioux
 Lynchburg, *Bethel*....Philadelphia
 Lynden, Wash.Cascades
Lyonsville, Krumville, N. Y.,
 Kingston
Madison Ave., Albany, N. Y...Albany
Madison Ave., N. Y. City..New York
 Mahwah, N. J., *Ramapo*...Paramus
Mamakating, Wurtsboro....Orange
 Manhasset, N. Y., *North Hemp-*
stead.....North Long Island
 Manhattan, Mont.Cascades
Manheim, Little Falls..Montgomery
 Manito, Ill.Illinois
Manor Chapel.....New York
 Manville, *Hungarian*..N. Brunswick
 Maple Lake, Minn., *Silver Creek*,
 West Sioux
 Mapletown, N. Y.Montgomery
Marble Collegiate.....New York
Marbletown, Stone Ridge..Kingston
Marbletown, NorthKingston
Marconier, Oak Tree, N. J...Newark
 Mariner's Harbor, S. I..New York

CHURCH.	CLASSIS.	CHURCH.	CLASSIS.
Marion, N. Y.—		Mt. Greenwood, Ill.....	Chicago
<i>First</i>	Rochester	Mt. Marion, N. Y., <i>High Woods</i> ,	Ulster
<i>Second</i>	Rochester	Mt. Marion, N. Y., <i>Plattekill</i> ..	Ulster
Marion, N. D.....	North Dakota	Mt. Olivet, <i>Ital.</i> , Newark, N. J.	Newark
Marlboro, N. J., <i>Freehold</i> , <i>First</i> ,	Monmouth	Mount Pleasant, Schenectady, N.	
Mason City, Ill., <i>Pennsylvania</i>		<i>Y.</i>	Schenectady
<i>Lane</i>	Illinois	Mount Ross, N. Y., <i>Gallatin</i> ..	Hudson
Matlock	East Sioux	Mount Vernon, N. Y.....	Westchester
Maurice, Iowa, <i>First</i>	West Sioux	Muskegon, Mich.—	
Maurice, Iowa, <i>American</i> ...	Dakota	<i>First</i>	Grand River
McKee, Ky.....	New York	<i>Second</i>	Michigan
Mellenville, N. Y.....	Hudson	<i>Third</i>	Grand River
Melrose, N. Y. City.....	New York	<i>Unity</i>	Michigan
Melvin, Ia., <i>Baker</i>	Germania	<i>Fifth</i>	Grand River
Melvin, Ia.....	East Sioux	Napanoch, Warwarsing, N. Y.,	Orange
Mescalero, N. M.....	New York	Nassau, N. Y.....	Rensselaer
Meservey, Ia.....	Pleasant Prairie	Naumburg, N. Y.....	Montgomery
Metuchen, N. J....	New Brunswick	Neshanic, N. J.....	Philadelphia
Middleburgh, <i>Free Grace</i> , Orange		Netherwood, Plainfield.....	Newark
City, Ia.....	East Sioux	Newark, N. J.—All in Classis of	Newark.
Middleburg, N. Y.....	Schoharie	<i>First</i> , Johnson Ave.	
Middlebush, N. J....	New Brunswick	<i>Christ</i> , Belleville Ave.	
Middle Collegiate.....	New York	<i>Clinton Avenue</i> .	
Middletown, N. J.....	Monmouth	<i>New York Ave.</i>	
Millbrook, South Millbrook, N.		<i>North</i> , Broad St.	
<i>Y.</i>	Poughkeepsie	<i>Trinity</i> , Ferry St.	
Mile Square, Yonkers..	Westchester	<i>West</i> , Blum St.	
Millstone, N. J., <i>Hillsborough</i> ,	New Brunswick	Newark, N. Y., <i>Arcadia</i> ..	Rochester
New Brunswick		New Baltimore, N. Y.....	Albany
Milwaukee, Wis.	Wisconsin	New Brooklyn....	South Long Island
Minaville, N. Y., <i>Florida</i> ,		New Brunswick, N. J.—	
Montgomery		<i>First</i> , Nelson St....	N. Brunswick
Minisink, Port Jervis, N. Y.	Orange	<i>Second</i> , George St....	N. Brunswick
Moddersville, Mich....	Grand River	<i>Suydam St.</i>	N. Brunswick
Mohawk, N. Y.....	Montgomery	Newburgh, N. Y.....	Orange
Monarch, Alberta, Canada..	Cascades	New Concord, Ghent....	Rensselaer
Monroe, Applington, Ia...Pl.	Prairie	New Durham (<i>Grove Church</i>),	
Monroe, S. D., <i>First</i>	Germania	Weehawken, N. J.....	Palisades
Monroe, <i>Sandham Mem</i>	Dakota	New Era, Mich.....	Grand River
Monsey, N. Y.—		New Hackensack	Poughkeepsie
<i>West New Hempstead</i> ...Paramus		New Hurley, Wallkill.....	Orange
<i>Saddle River</i>	Paramus	New Hyde Park..	North Long Island
Montague, N. Y., <i>Minisink</i> ..	Orange	Newkirk, Hopers, Ia....	East Sioux
Montana, First, Conrad....	Cascades	New Lots, Brooklyn....	South L. I.
Montclair Heights, Upper Mont-		New Paltz, N. Y., <i>Guilford</i> ..	Kingston
Clair	Newark	New Paltz, N. Y.....	Kingston
Montgomery, N. Y.....	Orange	New Prospect, Pine Bush, N. Y.,	Orange
Montrose, N. Y., <i>Cortlandtown</i> ,	Westchester	New Salem, N. Y.—	
Montville, N. J.....	Passaic	<i>First</i> , Voorheesville.....	Albany
Morrison, Ill., <i>Ebenezer</i>	Chicago		
Mott Haven, N. Y. City...New York			
Mountain Lakes, N. J.....	Passaic		

CHURCH.

CLASSIS.

ClarksvilleAlbany
New Sharon, Ia.Pella
New Scotland, N. Y., Union...Albany
Newton, Fenton, Ill.Chicago
Newton, First, Elmhurst,
 North Long Island
Newton, German, Elmhurst, N.
 Y.North Long Island
New Utrecht, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 South Long Island
New York Ave., Newark...Newark
New York City.—(All in Classis
 of New York).
Anderson Mem'l.
Avenue B, German Ev.
Bethany Mem'l. 400 E. 67th St.
Brighton Heights.
Church of the Comforter.
Clover Road Chapel, S. I.
Collegiate Middle, 2d Ave. and 7th
 St.
Collegiate Marble, 5th Ave. and
 29th St.
Collegiate, St. Nicholas, 5th Ave.
 and 48th St.
Collegiate, West End, West End
 Ave. and 77th St.
Collegiate, Thirty-fourth St., near
 8th Ave.
Collegiate, Knox Mem'l Chapel,
 West 41st and 9th Ave.
Collegiate, Vermilye Chapel, 54th
 St. and 10th Ave.
Collegiate, Fort Washington, 181st
 St.
Collegiate, Sunshine Chapel, 550
 W. 40th St.
Elmendorf Chapel, E. 123d St.
Fordham Manor.
Fourth Ger., 410 W. 45th St.
Sixty-eighth St., German.
German Ev., 78 Second St.
Grace, Seventh Ave. and 45th St.
Harlem, Lenox Ave.
Hamilton Grange, W. 150th St.
High Bridge, Union, Woodycrest
 Ave.
Huguenot Park, Staten Island.
Madison Ave., c. 57th St.
Manor, W. 26th St.
Mariner's Harbor, Staten Island.
Melrose, 748 Elton Ave.
Mott Haven, 350 E. 146th St.
St. Peter's, Kreischersville, S. I.
South, 1010 Park Ave.

CHURCH.

CLASSIS.

Staten Island, Port Richmond.
Waldemian.
West Farms, 1003 E. 179th St.
Zion Ger. Evang.
Niskayuna, N. Y.Schenectady
North and Southampton,
 Churchville, Pa.Philadelphia
North Bergen, Weehawken, N. J.,
 Bergen
North Blendon, Hudsonville, Mich.,
 Holland
North Blenheim, N. Y.Schoharie
North Branch, N. J.Raritan
North Hackensack, N. J.Bergen
North Hempstead, Manhasset, N.
 Y.North Long Island
North Holland, Holland....Holland
North Marion, Ypsilanti, N. D.,
 Dakota
North, Newark, N. J.Newark
North Paterson, N. J.Paramus
North Sibley, Sibley, N. J.Germania
Northumberland, Schuylerville,
 N. Y.Saratoga
North Western, Chicago....Illinois
North Yakima, Wash.Cascades
Nutley, N. J., Franklin....Newark
Nyack, N. Y.Paramus
Oak Harbor, Wash.Cascade
Oakland, N. J., Ponds.....Passaic
Oak Tree, N. J., Marconnier..Newark
Ocean Hill, Brooklyn, N. Y.,
 South Long Island
Onesquethaw, Feura Bush, N. Y.,
 Albany
Ontario, N. Y.Rochester
Oostburg, Wis.Wisconsin
Oradell, N. J.Bergen
Orange, East Orange, N. J....Newark
Orangeburg, Grace....Philadelphia
Orange City, Iowa—
 FirstEast Sioux
 AmericanDakota
 Free GraceEast Sioux
Oregon, Ill., Ebenezer...Pl. Prairie
Oscalooosa, Ia.Pella
Ottawa, Zeeland.....Holland
Otley, IowaPella
Owasco, N. Y.Montgomery
Owasco Outlet, Auburn, N. Y.,
 Montgomery
Overisel, HollandHolland
Oyster Bay, Glen Head, N. Y.,
 North Long Island
Palmyra, N. Y.Rochester

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<i>Paramus, Ridgewood, N. J.</i>	<i>Paramus</i>	<i>Netherwood</i>	<i>Newark</i>
<i>Parkersburg, Ia.</i>	<i>Pleasant Prairie</i>	<i>Trinity</i>	<i>Newark</i>
<i>Park, Jersey City</i>	<i>South Bergen</i>	<i>Plainfield, Mich.</i>	<i>Grand River</i>
<i>Park Hill, Yonkers</i>	<i>Westchester</i>	<i>Platte, Charles Mix</i>	<i>Dakota</i>
<i>Park Ridge, Pascack</i>	<i>Paramus</i>	<i>Plattekill, Mt. Marion, N. Y.</i>	<i>Ulster</i>
<i>Pascack, Park Ridge</i>	<i>Paramus</i>	<i>Pompton Plains, N. J.</i>	<i>Passaic</i>
<i>Passaic, N. J.—</i>		<i>Ponds, Oakland, N. J.</i>	<i>Passaic</i>
<i>Acquackanonck</i>	<i>Paramus</i>	<i>Pompton, Pompton Lakes</i>	<i>Passaic</i>
<i>Holland, First</i>	<i>Paramus</i>	<i>Portage, Mich.</i>	<i>Grand River</i>
<i>Fourth</i>	<i>Paramus</i>	<i>Port Ewen, N. Y.</i>	<i>Ulster</i>
<i>Guttenberg</i>	<i>Palisades</i>	<i>Port Jervis, N. Y.—</i>	
<i>North</i>	<i>Paramus</i>	<i>Deerpark</i>	<i>Orange</i>
<i>Paterson, N. J.—</i>		<i>Minisink</i>	<i>Orange</i>
<i>Broadway</i>	<i>Paramus</i>	<i>West End</i>	<i>Orange</i>
<i>First, Holland</i>	<i>Paramus</i>	<i>Port Richmond, Staten Island,</i>	
<i>Second</i>	<i>Paramus</i>	<i>New York</i>	
<i>Sixth, Holland</i>	<i>Passaic</i>	<i>Pottersville, N. J.</i>	<i>Raritan</i>
<i>People's Park</i>	<i>Passaic</i>	<i>Poughkeepsie, N. Y.—</i>	
<i>Preakness</i>	<i>Passaic</i>	<i>Arlington</i>	<i>Poughkeepsie</i>
<i>Riverside</i>	<i>Passaic</i>	<i>Emmanuel</i>	<i>Poughkeepsie</i>
<i>First, Totowa</i>	<i>Passaic</i>	<i>First</i>	<i>Poughkeepsie</i>
<i>Union Reformed</i>	<i>Passaic</i>	<i>Prairie City, Ia.</i>	<i>Pella</i>
<i>Pottersville, N. Y., Rotterdam,</i>		<i>Prairie View, Kans., Luctor.</i>	<i>E. Sioux</i>
<i>First</i>	<i>Schenectady</i>	<i>Prairie View, Kansas</i>	<i>East Sioux</i>
<i>Peapack, N. J.</i>	<i>Raritan</i>	<i>Prattsville, N. Y.</i>	<i>Schoharie</i>
<i>Peekskill, N. Y.—</i>		<i>Preakness, Paterson, N. J.</i>	<i>Passaic</i>
<i>Van Nest</i>	<i>Westchester</i>	<i>Preston, Minn., Greenleafton,</i>	
<i>Hungarian</i>	<i>Westchester</i>	<i>Wisconsin</i>	
<i>Pekin, Ill., Second</i>	<i>Pleasant Prairie</i>	<i>Princetown, Dunanesburg, N. Y.,</i>	
<i>Pella, Adams, Neb.</i>	<i>East Sioux</i>	<i>Schenectady</i>	
<i>Pella, Iowa—</i>		<i>Pultneyville, N. Y.</i>	<i>Rochester</i>
<i>First</i>	<i>Pella</i>	<i>Queens, N. Y.</i>	<i>North Long Island</i>
<i>Second</i>	<i>Pella</i>	<i>Randolph Center, Cambria, Wis.,</i>	
<i>Third</i>	<i>Pella</i>	<i>Wisconsin</i>	
<i>Bethel</i>	<i>Pella</i>	<i>Randolph</i>	<i>Wisconsin</i>
<i>Pennsylvania Lane, Mason City,</i>		<i>Ramapo, Mahwah, N. J.</i>	<i>Paramus</i>
<i>Ill.</i>	<i>Illinois</i>	<i>Ramsay, Titonka</i>	<i>Pleasant Prairie</i>
<i>People's Park, Paterson</i>	<i>Passaic</i>	<i>Raritan, N. J., Third</i>	<i>Raritan</i>
<i>Peoria, Ill.</i>	<i>Pleasant Prairie</i>	<i>Raritan, First, Somerville</i>	<i>Raritan</i>
<i>Perth Amboy, St. Paul's,</i>		<i>Raritan, Second, Somerville</i>	<i>Raritan</i>
<i>New Brunswick</i>		<i>Raritan, Fourth, Somerville</i>	<i>Raritan</i>
<i>Philadelphia.—(All in Classis of</i>		<i>Raritan, Illinois</i>	<i>Illinois</i>
<i>Philadelphia).</i>		<i>Readington, N. J.</i>	<i>Raritan</i>
<i>First, 2225 N. Camac St.</i>		<i>Red Bank, N. J.</i>	<i>Monmouth</i>
<i>Fourth, Pechin St., Manayunk.</i>		<i>Rehoboth, Lucas, Mich.</i>	<i>Grand River</i>
<i>Fifth, East Susquehanna Ave.</i>		<i>Rensselaer, N. Y.</i>	<i>Rensselaer</i>
<i>Talmage Memorial.</i>		<i>Reynolds, Schaghticoke</i>	<i>Saratoga</i>
<i>Philmont, N. Y.</i>	<i>Hudson</i>	<i>Rexfords, N. Y., Amity</i>	<i>Schenectady</i>
<i>Piermont, N. Y.</i>	<i>Paramus</i>	<i>Rhinebeck, N. Y.</i>	<i>Poughkeepsie</i>
<i>Pine Bush, New Prospect</i>	<i>Orange</i>	<i>Richboro, Addisville</i>	<i>Philadelphia</i>
<i>Pipestone, Minn., Churchville,</i>		<i>Ridgefield, N. J., English Neigh-</i>	
<i>West Sioux</i>		<i>borhood</i>	<i>Bergen</i>
<i>Plainfield, N. J.—</i>		<i>Ridgewood, Brooklyn</i>	<i>South L. I.</i>
<i>German</i>	<i>Newark</i>	<i>Ridgewood, N. J.—</i>	

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FirstParamus
ParamusParamus
Glen RockParamus
Spring ValleyBergen
Trinity, Wortendyke.....Paramus
Upper Community.....Paramus
Rifton, Dashville Falls...Kingston
Ringle, Wis., Forrestville.Wisconsin
Riverside, Paterson, N. J....Passaic
Rochester, Accord, N. Y....Kingston
Rochester, N. Y.—
 FirstRochester
 SecondRochester
 BrightonRochester
Rochelle Park, N. J......Bergen
Rockaway, Whitehouse....Raritan
Rock Rapids, Iowa.....East Sioux
Rock Valley, Iowa, First..W. Sioux
Rock Valley, Iowa, Carmel..W. Sioux
Rocky Hill, N. J....New Brunswick
Rosendale, N. Y......Kingston
Rosendale Plains, Tillson..Kingston
Roseland, Svea, Minn....West Sioux
Roseland, First, Chicago....Chicago
Roseland, Second, Chicago..Illinois
Rotterdam, Cawker City, Kans.
 East Sioux
Rotterdam, First, Pattersonville,
 N. Y.Schenectady
Rotterdam, Second, Schenectady,
 N. Y.Schenectady
Roxbury, N. Y., Jay Gould Me-
 morialUlster
Saddle River, Monsey.....Paramus
St. Anne, Ill., Wichert..Wisconsin
St. John's German Evan., Jersey
 City, N. J......South Bergen
St. Johnsville, N. Y....Montgomery
St. Nicholas Collegiate, New York
 CityNew York
St. Paul's, Perth Amboy,
 New Brunswick
St. Remy, N. Y......Kingston
St. Thomas, D. W. I....South L. I.
Salem, Little Rock, Ia....Germania
Sanborn, Iowa.....East Sioux
Sandham Mem., Monroe....Dakota
Sandstone, Minn.—
 FirstWest Sioux
 FrieslandWest Sioux
Saratoga, Schuylerville....Saratoga
Saugerties, N. Y.—
 FirstUlster
 FlatbushUlster

Blue MountainUlster
KatsbaanUlster
Sayville, W. Sayville....North L. I.
Scarsdale, N. Y., First...Westchester
Scarsdale, Greenville...Westchester
Schaghticoke, N. Y......Saratoga
Schenectady, N. Y.—(All in Classis
 of Schenectady).
 First.
 Second.
 Rotterdam, Second.
 Mt. Pleasant.
 Bellevue.
 Woodlawn.
SchodackRensselaer
Schodack Landing, N. Y....Rensselaer
Schoharie, N. Y......Schoharie
Schraalenburg, Dumont....Bergen
Schuylerville, N. Y., Northumber-
 landSaratoga
Schuylerville, Saratoga....Saratoga
Scotia, N. Y......Schenectady
Scotland, S. D......Germania
Secaucus, N. J......Palisades
Second River, Belleville, N. J.,
 Newark
Selkirk, Bethlehem, First...Albany
Shandaken, Shokan, N. Y....Ulster
Sharon, Lawyversville, N. Y.,
 Schoharie
Shawangunk, Walkill, N. Y....Orange
Sheboygan, Wis., Hope...Wisconsin
Sheboygan Falls, Wis.—
 FirstWisconsin
 GibbsvilleWisconsin
Sheldon, Ia......East Sioux
Shiloh, S. C., Bethel...Philadelphia
Shokan, N. Y., First.....Ulster
Shokan, Shandaken, N. Y....Ulster
Sibley, Iowa.....East Sioux
Sibley, Ia.Germania
North SibleyGermania
Silver Creek, German Valley, Ill.,
 Pleasant Prairie
Silver Creek, Maple Lake, Minn.,
 West Sioux
Sioux City, Iowa.....East Sioux
Sioux Center, Iowa—
 FirstWest Sioux
 CentralWest Sioux
Sioux Falls, S. D......Dakota
Six-Mile Run, Franklin Park,
 N. J......New Brunswick
Sixty-eighth Street, N. Y., New York

CHURCH.	CLASSIS.	CHURCH.	CLASSIS.
<i>Vermilye Chapel</i>	New York	West Nyack, N. Y., <i>Clarkstown</i> ,	Paramus
Vischer's Ferry, N. Y., <i>Amity</i> ,		<i>West Troy, North, Watervliet</i> ,	
Schenectady		N. Y.	Saratoga
Volga, S. D.	West Sioux	<i>West Side, Chicago</i>	Chicago
Voorheesville, <i>New Salem</i> ...	Albany	<i>West Side, Hungarian</i>	Illinois
Vriesland, Mich.	Holland	<i>Westwood, N. J.</i>	Bergen
Walden, N. Y.	Orange	<i>Whitehouse, Rockaway</i>	Raritan
Waldensian, N. Y. City..	New York	<i>White Tail, N. M., White Tail</i>	
Waldwick, N. J.	Paramus	<i>Canyon, Apache</i>	New York
Walkill, <i>Grahamsville</i>	Orange	<i>White Tail Canyon, White Tail</i> ,	
Wallkill, N. Y.—		N. M.	New York
<i>New Hurley</i> .....Orange		Wichert, Ill.	Chicago
<i>Shawangunk</i> .....Orange		Wichita, Kans.	East Sioux
<i>Walpack, Upper, Dingman's Fer-</i>		<i>Williamsburg, Brooklyn</i> ..	North L. I.
<i>ry, Pa.</i> .....Orange		Williamson, N. Y., <i>First</i> ..	Rochester
<i>Walpack, Lower, Bushkill</i> ..	Orange	<i>Windsor Terrace, Brooklyn, N.</i>	
Wanaque, N. J.	Passaic	Y.	South Long Island
Warwick, N. Y.	Paramus	Winfield, L. I., N. Y....	North L. I.
<i>Warwarsing, Napanoch</i>	Orange	Winnabago, Neb.	New York
<i>Washington, Ackley, Ia.</i> ..	Prairie	Woodbourne, N. Y.	Orange
Waterloo, N. Y., <i>Tyre</i>	Rochester	<i>Woodcliff, Weehawken</i>	Palisades
Watervliet, N. Y., <i>West Troy</i> ,		<i>Woodlawn, Brooklyn</i>	South L. I.
<i>North</i> .....Saratoga		<i>Woodlawn, Schenectady</i> ..	Schenectady
Waupun, Wis., <i>Alto</i> .....Wisconsin		Woodstock, N. Y.—	
Waupun, Wis., <i>First</i>....Wisconsin		<i>First</i> .....Ulster	
Wellsburg, Iowa....	Pleasant Prairie	<i>West Hurley</i> .....Ulster	
Weehawken, N. J.—		Wortendyke, N. J., <i>First Holland</i> ,	Paramus
<i>North Bergen</i>.....Palisades		<i>Wortendyke, Trinity, Ridgewood</i> ,	
<i>Grove Ch., New Durham</i> ..	Palisades	N. J.	Paramus
<i>Trinity, West New York</i> ..	Palisades	Worthing, S. D....	Pleasant Prairie
<i>Woodcliff</i> .....Palisades		Wurtsboro, <i>Mamakating</i>	Orange
West Albany, N. Y., <i>Lisha's Kill</i> ,		Wyckoff, N. J.	Passaic
Schenectady		Wynantskill, N. Y.	Saratoga
West Copake, N. Y.	Hudson	Yonkers, N. Y.—	
West Cocksackie, N. Y., <i>Cocksackie</i> ,		<i>Crescent Place</i> .....Westchester	
<i>First</i> .....Greene		<i>First</i> .....Westchester	
West End, Port Jervis, N. J.	Orange	<i>Mile Square</i>.....Westchester	
Westerlo, N. Y.	Albany	<i>Park Hill</i>.....Westchester	
<i>West Farms, N. Y. City</i> ..	New York	Zeeland, Mich.—	
Westfield, N. D.	Dakota	<i>First</i> .....Holland	
West Hoboken, N. J., <i>First</i> ..	Palisades	<i>Second</i> .....Holland	
West Hoboken, <i>Hope</i>	Palisades	<i>Beaverdam</i>Holland	
<i>West Hurley, Woodstock</i>	Ulster	<i>Ottawa</i>Holland	
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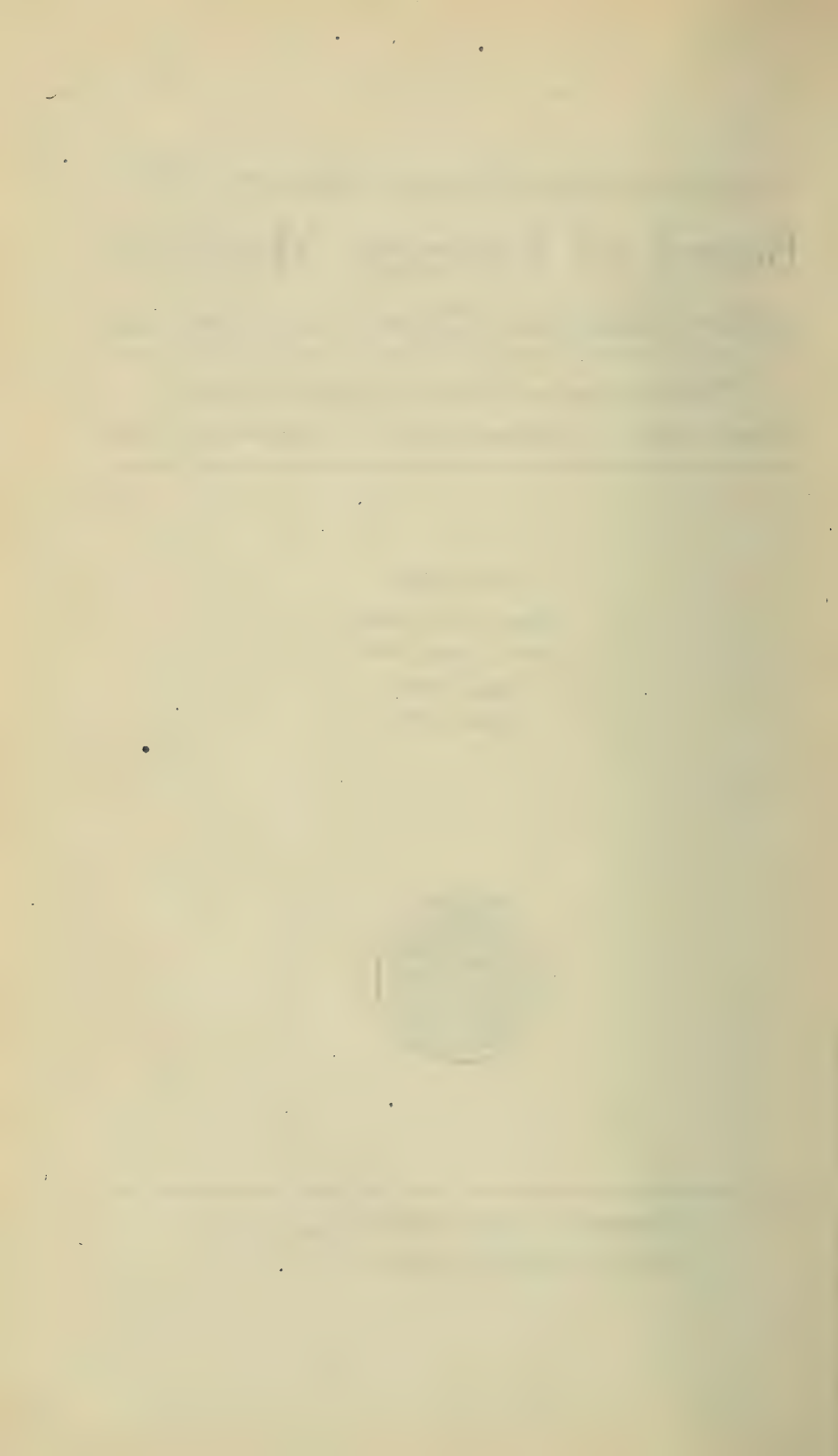
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ANNUAL REPORT, 1919

The Board of Foreign Missions respectfully presents to General Synod its Eighty-seventh Annual Report and the Sixty-second of its separate and independent action.

It is a commonplace statement, but none the less it needs to be set down in the record of the year, that all of our activities, both the administrative work at home and the Missionary propaganda abroad, have been carried on under the shadow of the European War, which in its wide-reaching effects was truly what it has been called, "The World War". Every action of major importance taken month by month by the Executive Committee and the Board, and every plan of material importance, both of maintenance and of progress on the Field, have been determined upon in the consciousness of the tumult of the nations. The ears and the eyes of the Missionaries in the distant Fields and of the Executive Officers at home have been constantly open to war's alarms and the abnormal movements of the people. Again, it has been found to be abundantly true that periods of political upheaval and economic distress have been occasions for the development of the spiritual life. The response of the Board at home to the challenge, and even the threat, of the time has been a larger vision and the revelation of a courage that have led to a steady adherence to plans looking to maintenance in the face of severe depression and to progress when the opportunity created a distinct responsibility. This is also true of our Missionaries abroad. In each one of the Fields the consciousness of the War has been a great reality. A great phrase of William James has found unquestioned illustration in the lives of our Missionaries in the fact that they have all been "inhabiting reality" in the peculiar sense of these past few years. While Japan is the only one of our Missionary Fields that has been independently related to the World War, India and Arabia have been perhaps even more really involved in its issues, while China, the last

country to be identified with the War, has been the one in which our Missionaries have been most disturbed by war's alarms, in view of the civil strife in Southern China, made possible and probably engendered by the general conflagration in the world.

Notwithstanding these conditions, the Board entered upon the year determined not to be found wanting in its interpretation of the spirit of the Reformed Church. After prolonged consideration and many counsels, it was resolved in October last to assume a financial responsibility for the maintenance of our work abroad upon the basis of a ten per cent. increase of the work in our Mission Fields and the provision for the very considerable charges directly traceable to the War, including the increasing cost of monetary exchange and of transportation, involving many tens of thousands of dollars. This spirit of faith and determination found ample illustration in the plans of our Missions abroad. In Japan the policy of concentration and of evangelization has been going on apace with admirable forethought and determination. In China the extension of our evangelistic work into a field well nigh doubling the present area of the Mission has been carried through notwithstanding the peculiar difficulties. In India the Missionaries, reduced much in number, have shown much thought and zeal in gathering into the Church multitudes as the result of the evangelistic toil of many years. In Arabia our Missionaries are eagerly standing upon the border lines of territory hitherto unopened to them, and have, notwithstanding threatened peril, made incursions into these lands preparatory to definite plans for occupancy when war's alarms have passed.

During these disturbed months, the executive agency of the Board has undergone some changes, but happily without any loss of continuity and efficiency, such as might have been easily possible when changes are made at such a time. The Rev. Luman J. Shafer, whose services to the Board as Acting Home Secretary during his furlough in this country have received such grateful recognition from the Board and the Churches, returned to Japan where his ability and strength

have been immediately availed of by his appointment to the important position as Secretary of the Mission. Fortunately for the Board, this vacancy was immediately filled by the permanent designation to the office of Associate Secretary of Mr. F. M. Potter who has been obliged to relinquish his important position as Principal of Voorhees College, India, on account of health. Mr. Potter's keen sympathy, born of actual personal experience, his sound judgment and his strong hand very soon found full opportunity and the year's operations have greatly profited by his co-operation.

Toward the end of the year, Mr. Howell S. Bennet, the efficient Treasurer of the Board for nearly four years, withdrew to enter upon other service. Owing to very fortuitous circumstances, the Board was able to avail itself of the temporary services of Mr. H. A. Kinports, through the courtesy of the Reformed Church Progress Campaign Committee, of which body he is the Executive Secretary. Mr. Kinports' assistance at the critical period of the closing months of the fiscal year have been invaluable, and his assumption of this responsibility has been a large assurance to our constituency.

Although the year closes with the largest total deficit, with one exception, in the history of the Board, this has undoubtedly been at the same time one of the most outstanding years in our records in the steady and increased maintenance of the regular work of the Missions and the large additions necessitated by the times. It may appear to be a paradox, but it is none the less a fact, that there is probably no year among the eighty-seven in the history of the Board that has given so many gratifying evidences of the large place which the Foreign Missionary Enterprise holds in the thought and giving of our Reformed Church as the year just closing. This is a generalization which obviously calls for some specifications. Here are some of them:

Covering the operations of the year 1918-1919: The main dependable resource of the Board is the Church. The gifts from this source have increased 17%, while the gifts from all living sources, including the Woman's Board, Sunday Schools, Young People's Societies, and individuals, have increased 15%.

Similarly the gifts from Churches to the Arabian Mission have increased 10%, while those from all living sources have increased 19%.

The gifts in the total contributions from the living have increased \$57,611.35, or 21%, while the gain in the total receipts has been \$20,170, or 6%. It must not escape observation that this highest percentage of gain represents the greatest dependable resource of the Board, the gifts from the living.

Possibly the most crucial test of the financial operations of any benevolent organization lie in the per capita giving. This for the current year has been \$2.57 per Church Member for all receipts as against \$2.46 last year, and \$2.48 per member for contributions from the living as against \$2.04. Here again the conspicuous increase, greater than any other year in the history of the Board, has been in the per capita giving of the living. These results of the operations of the year under review are the more conspicuous because they stand over against the previous year which on its own account represented a distinct gain over the previous years.

The operations for the War period, 1917-1918:

This period, almost exactly coincident with the strain and stress of the War, offers these most gratifying figures:

The increase in the receipts from living sources has been 27%, while the increase in total receipts has been 14%. Again the emphasis lies with the living, the dependable resource of the Board.

The operations for the period of the last ten years, 1909-1919:

The gain in the receipts from the living has been 74%, while the gain in the total receipts has been 70%.

This assuredly is a justification of the financial responsibilities which the Board undertook at the beginning of the year and a striking illustration of the soundness of the prediction of the lay members of the Board in approving, and indeed suggesting, the financial undertakings for the year.

What then is the conclusion of the whole matter as affecting the financial outcome of the year? Extraordinary receipts

have risen up to meet the extraordinary expenditures of these extraordinary days, when the conditions have been as unfavorable to the receipts as they have been favorable to rapidly mounting expenditures. Furthermore in this unequal contest the excess of expenditures has been aided and abetted by the abnormal loss in one of the uncertain sources of income in every benevolent organization, legacies. These have been this year \$40,225 less than those of last year and \$24,031 less than the average of the last four years. Since, therefore, the deficit of the Board on the operations of the year were \$45,662.32, had the legacies been equal to those of last year, the financial outcome would have been a deficit of inconsiderable proportions, which would have been a still more extraordinary situation.

The actual results of the year are as follows:

Deficit, Board of Foreign Missions....	\$45,666.32
Deficit, Arabian Mission.....	3,833.14
Total	<u>\$49,499.46</u>

To this deficit must be added, in accordance with the ruling of the auditors, the accumulated loss of a real estate investment of the Board which has matured in the past year and which therefore, must be added to the deficit which we carry forward. Adding this amount, \$8,955.10, and the deficit which was brought forward into this year, \$926.25, the total deficit with which we enter into the new year is \$59,380.81.

THE MISSION FIELDS

It cannot be a mere accidental circumstance that the Reformed Church has had its lot cast in the matter of the Foreign Missionary Enterprise in the great, historic nations of Asia with a vast religious background, now brought forward by the strange developments of time into the very center of its political activities.

China is in the cultural belt of the world and its people, with their historic and rich background, are now looking for-

ward to a future characterized by modern developments of political and religious life. Our Amoy Mission, beginning its life in Southern China seventy-seven years ago, has during these long years made great contributions in the line of the development of the Chinese Church, through the foundations laid by Abeel, Talmage and others. These foundations afford the basis upon which full advantage may be taken of the special opportunities which the present pulsating life of the world offers. The circumstance of the War, as well as the completion of seventy-five years in the history of this Mission, have led to the recent expansion of this Field, nearly doubling its area. The opportunities today are certainly of a compelling character in this, the oldest Mission Field of our Reformed Church.

India has been fittingly characterized as the *Alma Mater* of the religions of Asia. Its people are deeply religious, but they have not been stimulated by the vigorous study of modern religious problems, although the atmosphere in which they have lived has been largely a religious one. Our Church has been a witness to the power of Christianity in India for sixty-six years. The foundations for a vigorous evangelism with its natural outgrowth of an indigenous Church were well laid by its founders, members of the great Scudder Family who this year commemorate the completion of one hundred years since Dr. John Scudder went to India and founded Medical Missions—one hundred years precisely upon the date when this Report will be presented to General Synod. Disturbed as the people of India have been by the tumult of the nations, they have been led out into a clearer expression of their inner life and longings, and multitudes are seeking admission into the Christian Church. Both the developments and the opportunities in this Field are truly extraordinary and a great responsibility would seem to rest upon the Church primarily charged with the Christian nurture of the people and so long under our spiritual influence. Politically, India is thoroughly alive and full of anticipation as to the future. As we consider these facts, we begin to realize that we are dealing now with a new India and that old standards of measurement of her capacities must be discarded with reference to her past, both

political and religious. It would seem to be imperative that we do not delay, but begin at once to strengthen our forces and take advantage of these impressive opportunities.

In Japan also opportunities have developed which have been coincident with the great War. Our Missionaries were amongst the first to enter upon the bold endeavor to Christianize Japan. For sixty years they have been giving their testimony to the moral and spiritual power of Christianity in the midst of a people who seem to have lacked these qualities of strength while at the same time they were richly endowed with capacities for leadership that have already given Japan a commanding place in Asia. Our Missionaries, Verbeck, and Brown, and Ballagh, in the early years of Christian effort in Japan worked quietly, but most effectively upon the thought of the people. Their lives and work constitute another foundation upon which a great spiritual structure has been erected, and in these days especial opportunities appear for far greater progress in this direction. The Church of Christ in Japan is a power in the land. Its Japanese leadership is strong and vigorous and the co-operation of our Missionaries is accepted and invited with a new desire in these last days. Our own Mission, by strengthening its organization and concentrating its evangelistic efforts, is increasingly a power, especially in South Japan.

And what shall we say of Arabia? Indeed, what may we not say of the developments of the War which have called forth unexpected and special opportunities in that "Cradle of Islam". Who among us would have ventured to prophesy four years ago that Arabia would be represented at the great World Peace Conference at Paris in the year of our Lord, 1919? Our Mission, established in that land thirty years ago, now stands upon the top of happy hours of opportunity for which they have long and patiently prayed and waited. Northward, and Westward and Southward the Mission is now looking with eager expectation of the realization of its vision which it has so tenaciously held before it during these weary three decades. Mesopotamia, the ancient land of Iraq, now so firmly established in the control of a Christian power under whose beneficent sway Christian Mis-

sionary Enterprises have been maintained without hindrance, is drawing the Mission to the Northward, while at the same time our Missionaries are recommitting themselves to their great purpose of entering upon an organized Christian witness in the Moslem World, by reaching into the Interior of Arabia itself, to the West and South of the central stations of the Mission. The original, fundamental purpose as set forth by the pioneer Missionaries, Drs. Cantine and Zwemer, that the Mission should hold itself responsible for the evangelization of the Interior of Arabia as soon as the doors could be opened in the Providence of God, would seem to be upon the eve of realization.

In all these impressive circumstances which the tumult of the times have brought forth, there would seem to be a clear, urgent Providence bidding the Reformed Church to take advantage of these special opportunities in these great strategic Mission Fields,—China, and India, and Japan, and Arabia.

THE MISSIONS AT WORK

AMOY.

The Report of the Amoy Mission opens with the interesting paragraph that Dr. Sherwood Eddy, whose visits have made him more or less familiar with conditions in that country, made the statement that China has never been so disturbed politically, nevertheless has never been so impressionable religiously. During the past year the Mission has been forcibly reminded of this statement again and again in that the year was full of events of a varied character, constituting in many regards a trying year; a year full of sorrow and anxiety, and yet a year full of blessing.

Hardly was the New Year ushered in when a severe earthquake occurred, followed throughout the year by more or less severe quakings. Many buildings, especially in the Sio-khe and Chiang-chiu regions, were injured. At one place a whole village, of which all the inhabitants are Christians, was destroyed.

While busy at the great work of witnessing, the internal unrest grew more serious day by day till at last our Missionaries found themselves in the midst of movements of troops, munitions and artillery. From their island home in the Harbor of Amoy, they could observe the actual fighting on the mainland between the forces of the North and the South. At one time over two hundred wounded soldiers were in the Amoy hospitals. Occasionally the battleline wavered back and forth and those who lived in the disturbed area had sometimes to stop their work of witnessing and seek safety, or help to protect the unfortunate. This was especially felt by the Chiang-chiu and Tong-an members of the Mission. On one occasion one of the members of the Mission, despising safety in Amoy, essayed to go to an inland station. Hardly had he started on his voyage when the steam launch upon which he was traveling was fired on by the Southern troops. Returning to Amoy the next day, he hired a small sailboat, avoided the dangerous places and reached his destination just in time to be a comfort and protection to the Christians at that place. Frequently the Missionaries were shocked by the cowardly and abusive behavior of the soldiers. In addition to this, the almost complete standstill of business created, altogether, a general confusion, in the midst of which it was not easy to carry on the work of the Mission.

Furthermore, civil war in China is usually followed by an increase in robberies. Robber bands numbering from ten to one thousand bandits sweep over a district or lie in wait for the traveler. Rev. Frank Eckerson, while returning from one of his trips to the inland, was waylaid, cruelly treated by bandits, and finally shot through the leg and left for hours by the roadside till a Christian Chinese came to his aid. He passed through this experience with a faith so well founded, a patience so free from complaint, that during his period of recovery he was a blessing to those who visited him.

While our Missionaries were rejoicing that the Armistice between the contending Northern and Southern parties was really going into effect, a general plague of influenza swept

over all the districts. In China not even the most simple laws of sanitation are known or followed, and the death rate was appalling. There were more fatalities than either the Plague or Cholera had occasioned. During this serious epidemic, the Chinese Assistant to our Doctor at Sio-khe, who was alone while the Doctor had gone on a tour, remained loyally by his task although everyone of his family was sick, and all the Hospital Staff except himself had influenza.

Considering, therefore, all the obstacles, the report of the year bears testimony that the blessings were all the more pronounced and all the more appreciated. Some of the institutions report a gain of almost 80 per cent. over two years ago, and many record a steady growth.

Two events stand out especially in the story of the year as being of far-reaching importance; the first was the Eddy Campaign, the other the Preachers' Conference in Tong-an. The Eddy Campaign was signalized by giving effect to a principle which thus far had been neglected,—the principle of personal work, of intensive rather than extensive Christian Service. No one was admitted to the meetings except those who were brought in by Christians. These were enrolled in Bible Classes so that throughout Amoy and Kulangsu Bible Classes were organized and are being conducted as a result of these efforts. This Campaign was conducted by Dr. and Mrs. Sherwood Eddy, assisted by Dr. A. L. Warnshuis, Miss Paxson, and Miss Chai, a Chinese woman of exceptional ability and earnestness who gave such a powerful witness that the men petitioned that she should speak to them also.

While the Eddy Campaign was the influence from without, the Tong-an Conference must be considered as an uplift from within. It was held in the spirit and with the enthusiasm of the Northfield Conferences. Dr. A. L. Warnshuis was also present at this Conference, accompanied by the famous Chinese Pastor, Ding Li Mei. It was felt that over one hundred pastors and preachers took not only a step forward but also a step upward.

The greatest advance in the year was the addition of the North River District to the Mission. It will be remembered that this addition to the evangelistic area of the Mission and the building up of a central station within this area was the manner in which the completed 75 years of the Amoy Mission was commemorated, and that the proposed hospital in this district is to be an especial memorial to a former member of the Mission, the late President of the Board, the Rev. John G. Fagg. This region is one of the most promising areas in which to work. The people are open-minded and open-hearted. They are inclined in a kindly way towards foreigners and welcome them more as helpers than as intruders. Several cities are offering large tracts of land to induce the Mission to choose them as the Central Station. One city offered a large building site and \$3,000 for material. A Committee of the Mission has made a careful survey of the area and decided upon Leng-na as the central station. This, therefore, will appear hereafter as a new center of Missionary residence and activity in our Amoy Mission.

Of the 38 members of the Mission, 20 live at Kulangsu, the Island in the Harbor of Amoy, carrying on work in the city and surrounding country from this center. Women's evangelistic work at this Station is sustained with especial vigor and strength. At the beginning of the year Gospel Meetings were held for non-Christian women at the eleven Churches and Chapels of this Station. The Missionary ladies were assisted by Christian Chinese Women, not a few of whom were former pupils of the Amoy Girls' School. During the summer holidays a Bible Women's Institute was held for ten days in one of the School buildings at Kulangsu. This was well attended by representatives of all three Missions centering in Amoy. The ladies maintain several publications. "The Church News," has been issued regularly twice a month. This paper started in 1888 and has completed thirty years of witnessing in the Churches. During the year three books were issued to assist in work and worship,—one a Hymn Book containing translations of many well-known Christian Hymns. In the Women's

Bible School the enrollment was higher than ever before, ninety women having come under instruction for longer or shorter periods. This School is a great evangelistic agency, the aim is that everyone who enters this School shall not leave without the knowledge of Christ as a personal Saviour. The Amoy Girls' School has also experienced a steady growth in members and usefulness, 270 being the maximum number enrolled at any one time, while 330 different names appeared on the rolls during the year. A class of fourteen graduated this year. Through the gift of the Woman's Board an additional building was added to the equipment of the School. Former pupils and graduates are scattered in many lands and various places. One is studying in Northfield, Massachusetts, one in Peking, three in advanced schools at Nanking, two in Shanghai, one in Foochow, and four in Canton, while others are in the Philippine Islands, in Singapore, in Rangoon and in Java.

The two strong Churches of Amoy City felt the spiritual stimulus of the Eddy Campaign and responded in a way to give much encouragement to the Mission. The Pastor of the old First Church succeeded in the year in raising among the scattered membership of his Church, \$10,000 toward the expense of erecting school buildings.

The Educational Work carried on by the Amoy Churches is notable. All the Churches manage their own Boys' Schools, and the two larger ones a Girls' School as well. The expense for these is met by these Churches. The amounts contributed by the four Churches of Amoy for educational work totalled \$5,392, which added to the \$3,367 for Pastors salaries, and the \$4,020 for benevolence, makes a total of \$12,779 Mex. for religious purposes contributed by the Chinese for the Chinese.

The two large institutions for boys maintained by the Mission in Amoy, Talmage College and the Boys' Primary School, have had successful years, the numbers in attendance and the activity of the students both being gratifying features of the year's progress. Efforts were made to follow up and

conserve the work of the Eddy Campaign. Of the graduating class of the thirty-three boys in the Primary School, twenty have been led to Christ. Of these nine are from heathen families.

The Hospitals in Amoy having been reopened after a period of decreased activity owing to large extensions to the buildings, have entered again upon an active ministry. The number of patients was not as large as during the years just previous to the enlargement of the Hospitals, but there was a considerable increase over the preceding year. There has never been a year when the patients came from such diverse and widely scattered places. Thirteen provinces of China were represented by these patients, many of them being soldiers and sailors. During the fighting between the North and the South, the Hospital was crowded with sick and wounded soldiers. The students of the Theological College assisted greatly in preaching to them. The financial statement reveals the fact that the Hospitals have been able to live within their income and to reduce their indebtedness by \$3,295. The religious work of the Hospitals has been carried on faithfully during the past year with the co-operation of the students of the Theological College.

The Evangelistic Work of the inland stations, Chiang-chiu, Sio-khe, and Tong-an, was much interrupted through the year because of the disturbed conditions and the presence of battling soldiers. For much of the year itinerating was considered unsafe and the American Consul advised against travelling in these unsettled districts. At times the very residence of foreigners in the inland stations was considered dangerous. Notwithstanding these difficulties, the Missionaries managed to cover the field, most of the Churches being visited at least once. The organized Churches of the Amoy Field are self-supporting. This year on account of the reduced appropriations for evangelistic work generally, a special appeal was made to the Churches to increase their gifts for evangelization. They responded by giving more than 100 per cent. above last year. This is remarkable when it is remembered that the

Churches are small, the contributing members few, and the circumstances peculiarly adverse.

The Educational Work of the interior stations was seriously affected by the prevailing conditions, some Schools having been necessarily closed for weeks and months. Their organization and attendance, however were well maintained. In some instances the Schools have been the salvation of the Churches. The Country Day Schools connected with the Churches are passing through a time of change when the villages and towns of the interior are increasing the number and efficiency of Public Schools. Teachers and curriculum in these Public Schools are becoming of higher character. This gives the Church School less of an ascendancy over the others than was formerly the case. In this time of change, patience and guidance and courage are needed to meet the changed requirements of the time and maintain the Christian character and evangelistic purpose of these schools.

The women's evangelistic work in the interior stations has of necessity been much interfered with. The ladies have, however, continued to show their accustomed courage and persistence and have come in the course of this year into many situations of real danger, but happily without any untoward results.

The work of the Neerbosch Hospital at Sio-khe stands out as having achieved a peculiarly courageous program. The definite aims of the year were, first, to work toward an increase over the previous year, in general attendance 50 per cent., in surgery 30 per cent.; second, to give all patients a fair presentation of the Gospel's saving truths; third, to have no one single person leave the Hospital dissatisfied; fourth, to aim at a total Christian agency of staff, nurses and assistants. It is a fair conclusion from the report of the year's work that these high aims were distinctly kept in view and that they were realized in the results of the year's work, a fact reflecting great credit upon the Physician in charge and his loyal staff.

The Tong-an District report makes it clear that the conditions during the year grew from bad to worse. The people

had been so harrassed by bandits and marauding soldiers levying both food and money, that thousands fled from their homes. Another evil affecting this District peculiarly was the re-introduction of opium growing. While national restrictions still exist, farmers took advantage of the disturbed conditions to raise a crop of opium in the hope that the harvest would be reaped before settled conditions would make existing restrictions effective.

The Livingstone Easter School was attacked during the course of the year by a company of soldiers who literally bombarded it, the bombardment lasting during the greater part of the day. Fortunately the building was not seriously injured, having been reached only by rifle bullets which did no structural damage. The Girls' and Women's Schools of this Station continued their work, more or less seriously interrupted by the prevailing conditions.

The report notes with special gratification a significant development in the life of the Chinese Church of this District. There are three Missions working in Amoy. They have all organized Churches and built Chapels. About fifty years ago, the English Presbyterian and our own Mission decided their Chinese Churches should form one Synod. For many years Missions all over China have pointed to Amoy as an example where two Missions of different Church associations built up one Christian Chinese Church. The third Mission organized a separate Chinese Church along Congregational forms. During the year a large Conference was held in Nanking to bring about the union of all the Presbyterian bodies in China to form one Chinese Church. At this Conference, overtures were received from the Congregational Missions. In Amoy, however, the Churches have made an independent decision, the Congregational Church and the Presbyterian Synod having each appointed Committees with power to act in order to bring about the final arrangements for union. The significance of this union is very great, since it brings about one Chinese Church in the entire Amoy region and makes for closer co-operation and mutual service.

ARCOT.

The report of the Arcot Mission has a dark background this year because of the terrible suffering caused by epidemics of influenza and cholera and the great rise in prices due to the failure of the rains. The prices of food have in some cases risen above those quoted in the great famine of '78, and this has been a specially heavy blow for our Indian Christian community which is drawn largely from the poorer classes. In many families, weakened after a seizure by the dread epidemic, death has come through lack of proper food at a time when it was most needed. Most of the schools were closed for shorter or longer periods and serious interruptions of work are reported from every station.

In addition to its losses through the death of valued Indian workers, the Mission has been further saddened by the death of three of its members endeared to them through long years of service, Mrs. J. H. Wyckoff, Mrs. E. C. Scudder and Mrs. Van Doren. Though illness and infirmity had overtaken them and the call to their reward meant a blessed relief from suffering, yet their loss cannot but be keenly felt by those who had through long association come to love them dearly. Other members of the Mission were also critically ill, Miss Durick suffering long from pneumonia and Miss Josephine Te Winkel being smitten down by the dread scourge of cholera; but with devout thanksgiving their final recovery is recorded. The Rev. J. H. Warnshuis also suffered a breakdown in health and has been compelled to return to America on furlough. As Mr. Warnshuis had taken a prominent part in the great evangelistic efforts of the Mission, his leadership will be greatly missed.

It is with great joy that we are able to report, however, that this fall a large number of newly appointed missionaries and others now home on furlough will go out to India to fill the depleted ranks. Four of the new recruits are members of the Scudder family, Rev. Henry J. Scudder, who returns to his work after several years' residence in this country, Dr.

Galen F. Scudder, son of Dr. L. R. Scudder, and the Misses Ruth and Maude Scudder. It was in June, 1819, that Dr. John Scudder sailed for India to enter upon a career of missionary service, so that these new recruits from the same family represent a peculiarly appropriate memorial on the centenary of this significant event.

The political conditions in India are not without their significance for our work. The conclusion of the war finds many Indians returning from the western and Mesopotamian fronts, where they have undergone transforming experiences. Numbers of missionary helpers and even students from the higher institutions have gone into service or taken clerical positions with the armies. India's tried loyalty and valiant service have strengthened her claims for Home Rule and reforms looking toward the establishment of a more representative government will probably be instituted in the near future.

Our institutions report a year of advance in spite of many drawbacks. Voorhees College at Vellore has finally witnessed the completion of a fine new college hall, a memorial to the Rev. Henry N. Cobb, D.D., formerly a beloved Secretary of the Board. His Excellency the Governor of Madras formally declared the building open on the twelfth of August. The institution now has an enrollment of 1,159 students, the highest record in its history, and with the opportunities for growth afforded by the new building, a promising future is opening up before the college. During his visit to Vellore His Excellency also opened the new Union Mission Medical School for Women, of which Dr. Ida Scudder is Principal. Seventeen students were enrolled at its opening, an auspicious beginning of this great work for the training of Indian doctors amongst the women of South India.

The Girls' High School, Ranipettai, has completed another step toward the institution of the full High School course, a Fifth Form being added. With the promotion of this class next year the school will have completed its process of evolution and gained full rank as a High School. Under the efficient management of Miss Charlotte Wyckoff and Miss Van Doren,

the school is becoming a most effective instrument in the development of the home life of the Christian girls.

The Madanapalle Girls' Boarding School finally moved into new quarters last October and is now well equipped for larger service. Mrs. Van Wyk speaks in high terms of the courage and high spirit with which the scholars met the epidemic which was very severe in Madanapalle. The girls were able to render a large service in this time of need, even temporarily filling the places of nurses in the Mary Lott Lyles Hospital, who had been overcome by the disease.

The Tindivanam and Hope High Schools also report creditable progress, though the former still suffers from lack of proper building accommodations, for which the Rev. B. Rottschaefer is now raising funds in this country. The Industrial School at Katpadi has also greatly developed and has supplied much of the furniture for the new buildings constructed in the Mission. The Theological Seminary at Vellore has suffered a conspicuous diminution in the number of students on roll, showing eleven as against thirty-four last year. Part of this loss was due, however, to a very general response of the students to the Government's call for clerks for overseas service. There was in evidence a real desire to serve their country at this crisis.

Work amongst women is promising. The general experience of the year seems to be that the sufferings of the non-Christian people, and the sympathy shown them by our Indian Christians and missionaries are resulting in a more open attitude toward the teachings of those whose lives have been such a splendid witness for their Master.

The great epidemic which has swept the Mission has made it a most trying year for our medical missionaries, but a year of unusual blessedness because of the great service which they were able to render. There is no space in a brief summary to describe the wonderful relief which our medical institutions have brought in a year so darkened by physical suffering. Some idea of the extent of their service may be

gained from the fact that our 9 hospitals and dispensaries record 90,172 patients treated during the year.

Over against the sombre background of want and suffering, the great evangelistic results of the year stand out in bright relief. The report of the Indian Church Board reveals results unparalleled in the history of the Mission. For the work of this Board the territory covered by the Mission is divided into four circles and the results for the year are tabulated as follows:—The Western Circle reports 1,421 conversions, a gain of 24 per cent., the Northern Circle 337 conversions, or 22 per cent., the Southern Circle 609, or 21 per cent., and the Eastern Circle 597, or 11 per cent. This makes a total gain for our Christian community of 2,864 or 19 per cent. During the last four years 6,488 converts have been won, making the total Christian community today 18,635. *This is a gain of 53 per cent.* At this rate it will take only a little over three years more to double our community. 1,561 were baptized during the year, 428 more than last year and 17 new villages have been occupied.

While these wonderful gains are partly due to the evangelistic campaign which has been going on now for four years, we realize that results so profound are made possible only by the outpouring of the Spirit.

Not the least important feature of the evangelistic work is the new spirit which is being manifested in the Indian church. The missionaries are fewer, but our Indian brothers have carried a larger share of the burden. There is in evidence throughout the church, amongst pastors and laymen, yes, and laywomen, a zeal for the salvation of souls. Part of the report is written by the Indian workers and from every quarter comes testimony to their valued service during the year. To quote the words with which Dr. L. R. Scudder concludes the report of the Indian Church Board:

"Among the fruits of this year's work may be mentioned a growing spirit of prayer and desire for God's word, a larger measure of hope and courage, differences and quarrels healed and indifference banished, the doubting and hesitating

led to Christ and backsliders restored. The church is becoming convinced that its chief work is to enlist every one of its members as individual workers for individual souls."

JAPAN.

The Report of the Japan Mission for 1918 is an admirable and impressive Missionary document including significant references to the historic background, a thorough understanding of the present situation and an optimistic outlook upon the future based on a careful survey of present conditions and a not less thorough consideration of plans for the future. This Mission has certainly passed from days of uncertainty and discouragement and lack of co-ordination in its work in the not distant past to a time of encouragement, of unity of purpose, and clearness of planning which is stimulating both to the Mission at work in Japan and to the supporting and aroused constituency in America. The Mission is also taking very seriously the Reformed Church Progress Campaign as it affects the Foreign Missionary work of the Church and is making important contributions to it.

This briefer review of the life of the Mission during 1918 cannot be better accomplished than by frequent quotations from the statements which come from the Field so clearly presented.

The past year has been one of few baptisms and unusually open and aggressive opposition toward Christianity. This was undoubtedly due in a large measure to the reactionary attitude of the Cabinet under General Terauchi which in effect gave assurance to those who were inclined to oppose the establishment of Christianity in this Empire. With a change of Government and the introduction of a Party Cabinet under a Premier who is a Commoner, the situation is somewhat altered. This change in the political situation (coupled with the overthrow of militarism by the victory of the Allied cause in Europe), is making itself felt in the growth of liberal tendencies. Militarism and imperialism have been great hindrances in the propagation of Christianity in Japan. If the overthrow of such dominant influences and the establishment of a League of

Nations prove to have the effect that is anticipated, Christianity will have a less hampered opportunity in the future. Indeed, the tone of the Press of the country seems already to have changed; things are published today that a few years ago would have been suppressed. Democratic ideas are freely discussed and advocated. Christian leaders are therefore predicting that the younger generation of Missionaries will achieve greater results than have been possible in the past.

In view of this opportunity which seems to be immediately at hand in Japan, the Mission with its new organization has learned of the Board's part in the Reformed Church Progress Campaign with great rejoicing. This proposed advance coming as it does during the early years of the new organization of the Mission is expected to give an impetus to the work of the Church in Japan that will be felt for a decade. It will afford the means as well as the stimulus to consolidate and strengthen the work in preparation for the trend toward Christianity when it really begins.

The Mission feels that the Board has rightly understood the situation and has clearly apprehended its mind in placing the special emphasis of the work in Japan for the next five years on concentration and evangelization. With the exception of three preaching places maintained by the Presbyterian Church in the northern part of the Island of Kyushu, all the work that is done by any Church of the Presbyterian order in this particular part of the Empire where the evangelistic work is being concentrated must be done by us. The Church of Christ in Japan looks to our Church alone in this task of the evangelization of Kyushu.

The schools of the Mission can readily be associated in pairs; there are two in the North, in Tokyo and Yokohama, and two in the South, in Nagasaki and Shimonoseki; two are for boys, and two are for girls; two are union institutions with the Presbyterian Church and two are wholly under the control of our Mission. With the exception of Sturges Seminary, which in its present form has a newer organization, all of these schools have been in existence for from thirty to forty years,

and the original Sturges Seminary, a part of the present institution; was organized thirty-two years ago.. These institutions have had an honored history and have been a credit to the work of our Church in Japan.

Meiji Gakuin, after celebrating its Fortieth Anniversary in November, 1917, began the new school year in the spring of 1918 with the largest number of students in its history, about six hundred young men being enrolled in all its Departments, whereas five years ago only about three hundred students were reported. The quality of the students in all Departments is also better than in previous years. This influx of new and better students is partly due to the general education situation, but it can also be attributed in a measure to the recent changes in the campus and buildings of the School and to the addition of certain popular courses. Meiji Gakuin now has one of the most attractive school plants in the city of Tokyo. Another very gratifying as well as encouraging circumstance is the fact that Alumni of Meiji Gakuin have founded three Scholarships. Recent gifts from the Alumni aggregated over Yen 2,500, and through a newly organized Alumni Association it is believed the School constituency can be still further enlarged and Japanese financial support increased. The Theological Department provides special meetings for the discussion of evangelistic problems and the students find work in the local Churches of the City as Sunday School teachers. The whole question of theological education is now being studied by a Joint Committee of the two supporting Missions, but it is too early to say what effect that Report will have upon the present situation. A new and important step has been taken in the religious activities of the School in the organization of a School Church with a School Pastor. This new Pastor is an Alumnus and Graduate of Auburn Seminary. This Church and its activities now become the center and rallying point of the religious life of the School. Meiji Gakuin thus seems to be entering upon a new era of usefulness and effectiveness as an educational force and as an evangelizing agency.

Steele Academy, Nagasaki, has been greatly expanding during the last four years, until the present enrollment is fully four hundred as against three hundred at the beginning of this period. With the growth in the number of students, the equipment has been proportionately enlarged until every foot of available space is in use. The Board of Directors has approved the appointment of a School Pastor who will become teacher of Bible and Ethics, conduct religious services and give added impetus to the general religious life of the School. Steele Academy is a well equipped and efficient School that sets a high standard in education and esprit de corps among the Schools of Nagasaki Province.

Ferris Seminary, Yokohama, has made a unique contribution to women's education in Japan which was recognized during the past year by the conferring of the Imperial Insignia of Ran-jiu Ho Sho upon the Rev. E. S. Booth, D.D., who has been its Principal for many years. This honor was properly acknowledged by the Alumnae and Staff of the Institution by a reception at which addresses were made by the Governor of the Prefecture and by the United States Ambassador to Japan. So great is the popularity of this School and so large its attendance that the Mission is grateful to the Woman's Board and its friends for a large gift which makes it possible to acquire an adjoining property upon which to erect much needed additional class-room accommodations, to be known as "The Emily Stelle Booth Memorial." Forty-five of the present student body are Christians and the religious life of the School is very satisfactory. With its newly organized Board of Directors, including two Japanese ladies nominated by the Alumnae Association, its standardized curriculum and the prospect of large facilities for work, the School is looking forward to even greater usefulness in the future than in the past.

Sturges Seminary began in its present organization in 1912 by a union of our former Seminary at Nagasaki and a Girls' School of the Presbyterian Mission. The School is already outgrowing its plant and is greatly in need of a Chapel and an additional dormitory. The religious purpose

of the School is well sustained. The Y .W. C. A. conducts two Sunday Schools while two others are cared for by members of the Staff.

It will be seen, therefore, that the Educational Institutions are now prosperous and comparatively well equipped. Advance during the last five or ten years has been largely in the development and improvement of these Institutions. The higher or collegiate department of the Meiji Gakuin is the great unsolved problem now, and here the Mission is inclined to wait for the Alumni and Japanese Business Men to take the lead, or to look to large, special benevolences by individuals in America rather than to expansion at the expense of annual appropriations.

Significant items in the evangelistic work of the various Stations will give some idea of the character of this department of the Mission activity. In Kagoshima a year ago an Evangelistic Office and Christian Reading Room, were opened from which a monthly Japanese Newspaper is mailed to two hundred inquirers. Tracts are sent out and correspondence with inquirers is carried on. There is also a loaning Library of three hundred different titles, where Bibles and Hymn Books, and other Christian literature, are on sale. Last year twelve hundred readers used the Library. There were twelve Baptisms during the year at this Station, one of these being an old man about seventy years of age who had served as a warrior under the great Hero of that section.

The work at Saga was begun forty years ago, but in the Province of which this City is the Capital there are today but five Missionaries of all Denominations, six Native Pastors and a few Bible Women, making a total of twelve Christian workers for work among nearly 800,000 people.

A feature of the work at Kurume is a very promising Night School where English only is taught, but between the two periods there is a Chapel Service of twenty minutes with Bible instruction in Japanese. Boys and men who would not come to Church will attend this School, and as a result seven have been baptized and others are promising inquirers. Several

teachers of the local Government Primary Schools are attending this Night School, while the Manager of the largest Bank in the City also attends and urges his clerks to do so, frankly saying that they need the religious instruction as well as the English. A loan Library has also been built up here through which connections have been formed which it is expected will grow into a nucleus for another Newspaper Evangelism Agency. Lantern Meetings have been held under the auspices of the Young Men's Club of one of the neighboring towns. These Clubs exist in every town in Japan and form a field of great promise for Missionary effort if tactfully managed. An ingenious plan was carried through during the year in this Station. A Questionnaire was addressed to about eighty of the professional men of the City to which a number of replies were received. The consensus of the opinion expressed was that something needed to be done to uplift the moral tone of the City, and five expressed a desire to know something about Christianity.

There are six out-stations in connection with the Oita Station. Property at one of these out-stations was recently purchased, Yen 3,000 of the purchase price of Yen 9,000 having been given by a wealthy Japanese gentleman. This is the largest gift for Church property from a Japanese in the history of the Mission. In Oita City during the year two Buddhist Sunday Schools were organized and the Sunday School Teachers advised their pupils henceforth to go to the Japanese Sunday School instead of to the Foreign one. This opposition is due in part to the vigorous newspaper work carried on by Mr. Pieters at Oita which has attracted the attention of those opposed to Christianity and has aroused them to active measures of self-defence.

The Newspaper Evangelism Work continues to be one of the prominent features in this Province. It has now been in operation for several years and has attracted the attention of the Missionary World as one very effective means of changing the whole attitude of public opinion towards Christianity. Since this work was started 6,904 applications for literature, and

13,892 letters and postals have been received. One hundred twelve persons have been baptized during this time as a result of this work.

Evangelistic work at Nagasaki is assuming more definiteness through the placing of an evangelistic Missionary in this Station. There is ample opportunity as there are but four places in the Province where evangelists of any Protestant Denomination are located.

In Tokyo work has been carried on at a Preaching Place near the Meiji Gakuin for a number of years, but recently this work has been much strengthened by the stationing in Tokyo of a Missionary who gives part of his time to instruction in the College and part to Evangelistic Work in the City and in the surrounding country. There is a large section about the College, comprising roughly 100,000 people, which offers opportunity for practically every kind of Missionary work.

The Izu Field, which is in connection with the Yokohama Station, is almost the oldest country evangelistic work in Japan, having been begun by Dr. Ballagh more than fifty years ago in the days when the placards against Christianity were still posted. It has never had a resident Missionary. Dr. Peeke, in addition to his work at the College in Tokyo, has recently been put in charge of this work.

Two members of our Mission Staff are still laboring in the Cities of Aomori and Morioka, in the territory now in the process of being transferred to the Mission of the Reformed Church in the United States. Miss Winn has continued her faithful, though oftentimes lonely, work in the former City. Part of the year she has been the only foreigner in this City of 40,000 or 50,000. Mr. Hoekji, in Morioka, has been honored with associate membership in the sister Mission about to assume responsibility for this Field and has also been appointed Missionary in charge of the adjoining Prefecture. The presence of these two members of our Mission has greatly facilitated the details of the important transfer and has aided in continuing the work through the transition period.

Woman's Work: There have been the usual Bible Classes and Sunday School work in connection with Ferris and Sturges Seminaries. Three Sunday Schools and a Class for Young Men have been maintained in Tokyo. At Nagasaki the publication of a monthly paper has continued, as also the conduct of several Sunday Schools. In Fukuoka where Woman's Work has recently been organized, three Sunday Schools, Women's Meetings, Classes for young men and young ladies, and an Evening Meeting for adults constitute the busy round of the work of the lady Missionary at this Station. In Saga also several Sunday Schools are maintained, also singing and sewing classes for girls and three Women's Meetings. Furthermore, in Oita there is an organized Women's Work with two Bible Women, several neighborhood Sunday Schools, in addition to the Church School and women's meetings. It is evidently a busy and a fruitful life and work that the ladies of the Mission maintain.

Those who are concerned for the evangelization of Japan should read carefully the concluding portions of the Report of the Mission setting forth the result of its study of its evangelistic problem and the statement of its plans. The total population of the Island of Kyushu, in which our evangelistic work is being concentrated, is about nine million. Of this number our Mission feels that it cannot escape the responsibility of almost three and one-half millions. There are at present nine Evangelistic Missionaries, men and women, in this area. There is, therefore, one Missionary to 380,000 people. In order to enable the Mission to adequately discharge its responsibility it should maintain ten fully equipped Stations. To meet this need thirteen Evangelistic Missionaries are now in the Field. There are needed four more ordained, married Missionaries. It is regarded as important that nine of these Stations should have single women Missionaries in addition, one having two; in all ten persons. To meet this need there are now seven on the Field; three more are therefore required. The Mission considers it of the highest importance that these

needs should be met and that its plans looking for additions of men and women and the necessary means to carry on that work should be firmly held by both the Mission and the Board and that every effort be made to realize them as soon as possible.

ARABIA.

This mission also reports a year of hard times and high prices, of war and pestilence. Meningitis, plague, small pox and influenza have visited the field and taken a heavy toll. One result has been a year of unusual medical activity, the depleted medical missionary force being at times so overwhelmed with the immediate duty of relief of physical suffering, as to interfere more or less seriously with evangelistic effort. The very fact of the great need of medical aid has, however, in some cases tended to open up fields hitherto closed.

It is possible now that the war is over to gain a more accurate idea of its real effect upon the country. The first tendency was to regard the downfall of Mohammedan political power as an unmitigated blessing, sure to result in the opening up of great opportunities for the advance of Christianity at the expense of Islam. But today we see as one result of this downfall a general weakening of all religious sanctions and the development of a great wave of worldliness which threatens Christian and Mohammedan alike. Particularly is this to be seen in Mesopotamia where a new era of wonderful material prosperity is opening up. The religiously minded Mohammedan himself deplores the decadence of the present day. It is a strong call to us to give the Arab, unsettled, almost dazed by the impact of the West upon the East, that which alone can finally replace the old sanctions. As Dr. Harrison writes "The power of Christ is the only thing that can save it, (the magnificent Arab spirit), in this hour of need."

A further result upon the Arab of the downfall of Turkey and the consequent dissipation of Mohammedan hopes of

political prestige, is a deep-seated feeling of bitterness against the powers which have thus humiliated his religious brothers, and reduced him and the whole Moslem brotherhood to the position of vassals, as it seems to his proud, independent spirit. The Arab is hastening to identify himself with the ruling British power, but this springs not from love of it, but from the present necessity if he would secure a place in the new and omnipotent social order. The English courses in the schools are patronized as never before, but at the same time persists the feeling of resentment against the present rulers. The Arab may perceive the material benefits which arise from Britain's enlightened rule, but her wise regulations chafe his free, ease-loving spirit.

In the midst of such profound changes the work of the year has been carried on. It is a wonderful testimony to the success of our missionaries to learn that they are dissociated in the mind of the Arab from the ruling political powers and that his attitude toward them is more friendly than ever before. This does not mean, in most places, a friendliness toward their message, for it is associated with their present humbled political position, but rather is a very real personal friendship which is the first necessary stage toward gaining a hearing for the teaching of Christ. A survey of the territory which is being opened because of this friendly spirit is impressive. Kuttar has been visited for the first time in Mission history and the medical missionary was enthusiastically welcomed. Dr. Harrison also made a trip to the Coast of Oman covering a period of two months and a half and reports a reception almost unique in its hospitality. This coast has been closed to us for years but they are now asking for a medical missionary to come and settle amongst them. They even went so far as to ask whether a petition to the Mission, signed by the various Sheikhs and leading men of the district would be effective in the securing of a doctor. The promise of spiritual results of such work in Oman is brighter than for any other district. Only the shortage of doctors prevents the immediate grasping of this wonderful opportunity. At the time of writing the

report, it was hoped that Riadh and Hassa might also be visited, and that hope has since been fulfilled, the Sheikhs inviting the doctor to come to them.

The report of the educational work is also encouraging. The Basrah Girls' School had an average attendance of about forty-five and the Boys' School enrolled over one hundred and fifty. The Government is cordially co-operating with us and the whole educational situation of Mesopotamia is dominated by these institutions. The school in Bahrein made a unique record of nearly sixty pupils on its rolls and there is a call for Boarding School facilities in both these places. Social relationships with the Arabs are most friendly and at weekly receptions which the educational missionary in Bahrein holds there are sometimes over fifty in attendance. In Maskat even the women from the Sultan's palace have been receiving instruction from the missionaries, and in Kuwait this same new spirit of confidence and trust has resulted in the medical work for the year being self-supporting.

The sale of Scriptures has always been an important feature of the work and from every station comes the report of increased sales, especially in Basrah, where the soldiers bought a large number of copies. In one unusual month at Kuwait over 400 copies were sold.

The more direct method of evangelistic work, the preaching of the Gospel, is becoming more and more possible. Many Moslems are even attending the church services and church attendance has greatly increased. Maskat reports a steady average of twenty-five, Kuwait sometimes has as many as seventy-five at a service and Bahrein thirty. There is an increasing tolerance toward evangelistic work. Not only in the hospitals have all opposition and hostility disappeared, but curriculum Bible Study in the Maskat school meets with no opposition and at the Bahrein Boys' School a voluntary Sunday School Class is well attended.

Results in open conversions are slow to materialize amongst the followers of Mohammed, but some of those whose faith in Islam has been shaken are becoming sincere seekers

after Christ. Several in Kuwait have shown much interest and a few have even reached the point of secret faith in Christ. From other stations also, even in one case on the Oman coast, earnest seekers after truth are reported.

The whole situation in Arabia, the opportunity and the need, may best be summed up in the words with which the report from our Arabian Mission concludes:

“For the year before us we face enormous opportunities. Practically the whole of Arabia lies open to us. Personal friendship is taking the place of hostility and contempt. But the hearts of the Arabs are being closed more than ever to our message and to Christ by the new and ever increasing impact of the West, and it is a matter of unspeakable importance to enter into our opportunities before we lose them. Our need for more workers and especially for more medical workers is desperate. Humanly speaking, the salvation of a race depends upon them. There is a need, however, that runs far deeper even than this, the need of Arabia for the prayers of God’s children, that His own omnipotence may be exerted to bring into the hearts of the Arabs the light and His life as it is in Christ.”

THE HOME DEPARTMENT.

The work of this department is organized under two heads, the Associate Secretary being related specially to the work in the three Eastern Synods while the District Secretary attends to the cultivation of the field in the Synod of Chicago. Similarly the members of the Board from the latter Synod are organized into a District Committee with which the District Secretary co-operates. It is the purpose of this department to develop missionary interest in the church and the following reports of the Associate Secretary and the District Secretary set forth the methods which are at present in use for the accomplishment of this purpose:

Report of the Associate Secretary.

DEPUTATION WORK.

Very few missionaries attached to the eastern constituency of our Church being home on furlough, most of the visiting of our churches in the three eastern Synods has this year fallen to the lot of the Secretaries. The Rev. F. J. Barny did considerable deputation work in addition, the Rev. B. Rottschaefer made a brief visit to the East, and an itinerary was arranged for Dr. S. M. Zwemer, who was working under the auspices of the Laymen's Missionary Movement but very cordially responded to the calls of our church upon his time. During the course of the year about 180 churches in the eastern Synods were visited by missionaries and secretaries. A special feature of this work was the arrangement made in connection with the plans of the Reformed Church Progress Campaign by which a representative for all the Boards was sent to the fall and spring meetings of nearly all the Classes.

ONE DAY'S INCOME FUND.

The adverse financial conditions resultant upon the war have been even more pronounced than last year. The cost of transportation further increased and there was a heavy loss on foreign exchange. The organization of the One Day's Income Fund was therefore very carefully made and the churches responded with total contributions of \$43,291.99, individuals contributing in addition \$1,166.71. This is \$10,382.74 in excess of the total of last year and sixteen more churches participated.

Rates on foreign exchange are now somewhat improved and it has been decided that we should not recommend the continuance of this special fund next year, as it has been based specifically on war time conditions. It must be pointed out, however, that we have not yet returned to the normal pre-war conditions and also that we are, in common with the other Boards of our church, entering upon a great forward movement. For the financing of our cause we must trust to the increase of gifts through the regular channels of our church.

FOREIGN MISSIONS SUNDAY.

367 letters were sent to the pastors in the three eastern Synods, requesting their united co-operation in the observance of February 23rd as Foreign Missions Sunday. A cordial response is indicated by the fact that 170 of these pastors sent notice to the Board that they were observing a special Mission day. We sincerely hope, however, that next year there will be a 100 per cent. response, as only thus can we reap the full benefit of this day of united prayer and consecration. Nearly 6,000 copies of "The Reformed Church in the East," and 35,000 copies of a leaflet on our work in the four fields were distributed. In addition a copy of "The Call of a World Task," by J. Lovell Murray, was sent to each pastor.

MISSIONARY LITERATURE.

Several hundred copies of an address by Dr. S. M. Zwemer have been distributed during the year. Literature has also been sent out upon request to many individuals and societies and it is to be noted with satisfaction that several churches have called for literature upon the Every Member Canvass, which they were instituting for the first time.

PERIODICALS.

The work of editing the foreign missions material for the Mission Field has been carried on and a special attempt is being made to secure careful articles from the fields. Owing to the increase in the cost of paper and printing the matter is being somewhat condensed and there have consequently been fewer notes of a personal nature.

The Neglected Arabia has been published as usual and special commendation should be given to the missionaries in Arabia, who in a year of world-stirring events and disturbances at their very doors have found time to keep us regularly supplied with a fund of carefully prepared and interesting material.

The Special News Bulletin is now being published regularly three times a year, in October, February and May. It is the

purpose in this publication to give brief items of special interest to the laymen of the church, pastors also being included on the mailing list which now contains nearly six thousand names. It is requested that we be informed promptly of any changes in address.

PARISH LETTERS.

Owing partly to irregularities of the mails and to heavy pressure of work upon our missionaries in the field, it has been difficult to send parish letters regularly to contributors. Twelve letters have been sent during the year, however, and the Secretaries of our Missions have been requested to organize publicity committees which shall give special attention to literature for the Home Base, including the very important parish letter. It is hoped, therefore, that this year will witness the establishment of a careful system insuring the despatch to each contributor to a parish of at least two letters during the year. The mailing list of contributors to parishes has also been revised, and it is hoped that individuals and societies will keep us regularly informed of the addresses to which communications are to be sent.

MISSIONARY EDUCATION.

The Board has continued its co-operation with the Joint Committee on Missionary Education which is composed of representatives of the four mission boards and of the Board of Publication and Bible School Work. "Primary Mission Stories," and "Junior Mission Stories," published last year under the auspices of the Joint Committee, have been sold in considerable numbers. There has been a greater call for these books outside of our own denomination, however, and our pastors and Sunday School Superintendents are therefore urged to examine these books and incorporate them in the curriculum of the Sunday School where we must begin the careful and systematic building up of missionary interest and information.

There has been completed also during the year a book containing twenty-four Missionary Travelogues designed for the Intermediate Grades of the Sunday School. Each Travelogue is illustrated by an attractive poster in colors, which makes it easy to hold the interest and attention of scholars. These Travelogues and posters are now on sale by the Board of Publication and Bible School Work.

PROGRESS CAMPAIGN.

The Board is represented by three members on the Progress Campaign Committee and has co-operated in the extensive work carried on by that Committee during the year. Conferences have been held in the churches, continuation committees have been appointed, and under the able guidance of the Executive Secretary of the Campaign, Mr. H. A. Kinports, a determined effort has been made to enlist each local church in the effort to realize the aims of this forward movement. Our hearty support is pledged to the program for next year, which includes a definite attempt by the Board to measure up to the special opportunities in the fields today, as revealed by the survey which is being prepared in this office.

CANDIDATE DEPARTMENT.

A special department has been organized this year for the discovery and guidance of recruits for missionary service. A Candidate Committee has been formed, consisting of representatives from strong centers of our church, both east and west, who will have opportunity to come into personal touch with young men and women of our church who are interested in the foreign field. These prospective candidates are reported to the Associate Secretary and a careful list is being kept which should enable us to lay our plans for reinforcements several years in advance, thereby making it possible for recruits to regulate their courses of study so as to prepare themselves for the particular field and sphere of work to which they intend to dedicate their lives. Correspondence has been carried on with nearly fifty student volunteers and others interested

in the possibilities of mission service and there is a bright outlook for coming years, though we may face a serious dearth of young missionaries for the next year or so.

While the responsibility of securing young men and women for the foreign field rests principally upon this committee, yet it will be able adequately to fulfill its task only if our pastors everywhere shall continually keep before the younger members of our church the supreme call to dedication of life to the ministry and foreign service.

Western District.

DISTRICT COMMITTEE.

The District Committee, consisting of the five members of the Board residing within the bounds of the Particular Synod of Chicago, and charged with the responsibility of arranging and supervising the work of the Home Base in that territory, held its meetings at stated intervals, gave careful attention to matters of importance that were referred to it by the Executive Committee, and was of great assistance to the District Secretary in his work.

MISSION FESTS.

These out-of-door summer gatherings, which have become a special characteristic of the home base activities of this District in the hot months of the year, were held as usual last summer and were very successful. The attendance was large, the interest encouraging and the offerings exceeded all previous records. Dr. S. M. Zwemer and the Rev. Hubert Kuyper of Japan represented the foreign mission interests at many of these gatherings and their able efforts added much to the success of the Mission Fests.

ONE DAY'S INCOME CAMPAIGN.

This campaign within the bounds of the Particular Synod of Chicago was under the supervision of the western members

of the One Day's Income Campaign, viz.; the Field Secretary of the Board of Domestic Missions and the District Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions.

This campaign was conducted along the lines followed during the previous year, these having proved to be very successful. The response to the appeal was quite general. About sixty per cent. of the churches contributed special One Day's Income offerings. The total exceeded last year's offering by about six thousand dollars.

CLASSICAL AGENTS.

The classical agents were faithful and willing to render such services to the Board as were requested of them at the meetings of the Classes and at other times during the year. These services added much to the strength of the Board's appeal.

No conference of the classical agents was held during the year. The best time for holding these conferences is prior to the fall meetings of Classis, but owing to the fact that the District Secretary was in New York at that time this conference could not be held.

MISSIONARY DEPUTATION WORK.

Valuable assistance in the presentation of our foreign mission work was rendered by missionaries on furlough residing within the bounds of the Particular Synod of Chicago.

Rev. S. M. Zwemer, D.D., has been very generous in the contribution of his time during periods of rest from the strenuous program prepared for him by the Laymen's Missionary Movement.

Rev. Bernard Rottschaefer has also been ready for such deputation work as the special task assigned to him during his furlough permitted.

Miss Jeane Noordhoff has done a great deal to stir up new and increased interest in foreign missions in several localities which she was permitted to visit.

Rev. Hubert Kuyper of the Japan Mission rendered such services as the recuperation of his health allowed.

The direct contact of many of the churches with those who have returned for a little respite from the work on the firing-line was a most valuable aid in the maintenance and increase of interest in our foreign mission work. We owe much to these missionaries for their ready and effective co-operation.

PUBLICITY.

The western church papers have been used constantly as a medium for keeping the western constituency of our Church in as close touch as possible with our foreign missionary work.

During the year the publication of a Dutch quarterly "Ons Land en de Velden in Azie," containing information on our Domestic and Foreign Mission work, was begun. This quarterly is being published by the Domestic and Foreign Mission Boards, is distributed free of charge in the Dutch churches, and is intended to take the place of leaflets in the Dutch language which the Board was accustomed to publish from time to time. This publication has already met with considerable favor and it is believed that it will prove to be a valuable medium for the stimulation of interest in our missionary work at home and abroad.

PROGRESS CAMPAIGN.

The western office of the Board rendered as much assistance as possible in furthering the interests of the Reformed Church Progress Campaign. Under the supervision of the Field Secretary of the Board of Domestic Missions and the District Secretary arrangements were made for conferences at nine centers of our Church in the Particular Synod of Chicago. The purpose of these conferences was to acquaint the leaders of our Church with the plan and purpose of the Campaign and to begin the development of an organization for the purpose of furthering the campaign during the coming

years. Committees were appointed to further the campaign in the various western communities of the Reformed Church.

REFORMED CHURCH HEADQUARTERS IN THE WEST.

Assisted by subscriptions from individuals and churches of the west the Board of Domestic Missions has purchased at a very reasonable price, a building located in Holland, Michigan and admirably adapted for office purposes. In this building the Boards of Domestic and Foreign Missions have opened joint offices in which the growing work in the Synod of Chicago can be administered in a much more satisfactory and efficient manner than heretofore.

MISSIONARIES AND THEIR MOVEMENTS.

The number of missionaries in the service of the Board at the end of 1918 is 162. Of these 45 are ordained and 17 unordained men; 46 married and 54 unmarried women.

RETURNED TO THE FIELD.

The following missionaries have returned to their respective fields this year after furlough in this country:—To *China*, Mr. Herman Renskers; to *India*, the Misses Josephine and Sarella TeWinkel, and Rev. and Mrs. F. J. Barney (temporarily released from service in Arabia); to *Japan*, Rev. and Mrs. H. V. S. Peeke, Rev. and Mrs. L. J. Shafer, and Miss J. A. Pieters; to *Arabia*, Rev. and Mrs. John Van Ess.

RETURNED HOME ON FURLOUGH.

From *China*, Mrs. Leonard W. Kip and Miss Maude Norling; from *India*, Rev. and Mrs. B. Rottschaefer, Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Warnshuis, Dr. and Mrs. B. W. Roy, (retired), Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Van Wyk, and Miss Elizabeth W. Conklin. Mr. John D. Muyskens also returned after completion of four years

of service, having been appointed for three years; from *Japan*, Rev. and Mrs. D. C. Ruigh and Miss Jeane Noordhoff; from *Arabia*, Rev. and Mrs. S. M. Zwemer, Miss Sarah L. Hosmon, M.D., and Miss Gertrud Schafheitlin.

NEW MISSIONARIES.

The following new missionaries entered upon service in the course of the year:—In *China*, Rev. and Mrs. Henry Poppen and Rev. Harvey I. Todd; in *India*, Miss Clara M. Coburn; in *Japan*, Miss May B. Demarest, (who returns to Japan after several years of residence in America), and Miss Anna M. Fleming; in *Arabia*, Mrs. Sharon J. Thoms, (who returns to Arabia after several years of residence in America),

NEW APPOINTMENTS.

The following new appointments have been made:—To *China*, Dr. and Mrs. Conrad O. Stumpf (who return after several years of residence in America), Rev. Edwin W. Koeppe and his fiancée, Miss Elizabeth M. Renskers and Dr. and Mrs. Clarence H. Holleman; to *India*, Rev. and Mrs. James H. Potter and Miss Maude S. Scudder, (these three were appointed last year but enter upon service this year), Rev. Henry J. Scudder (who returns to the field after several years of residence in America), Rev. and Mrs. Knud Lange (née Miss Henrietta W. Drury), Rev. John G. Gebhard, Jr., and his fiancée Miss Helen L. Fairchild, Mr. John DeValois and his fiancée Miss Henriette Hoffland, Miss Matilda Berg, Dr. Galen F. Scudder, Miss Ruth L. Scudder and Mr. Irwin J. Lubbers, (appointed last year to China, detained by war service and transferred to India); to *Arabia*, Dr. and Mrs. Louis P. Dame (appointed last year, will enter upon service this year).

This long list of those who have dedicated their lives to the work is the most promising feature of the whole report. It means that the young life of our church stands ready, now that the war has ended, to put forth the same splendid effort in the great crusade for the bringing in of the Kingdom of

God. It is impossible to measure what these reinforcements mean to the Arcot Mission, which has for years been laboring under a heavy handicap owing to unusual and unexpected losses through death and protracted ill health. It is gratifying to be able to report also that several of these new missionaries have already been adopted by churches as their special representatives in the field.

OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.

The terms of the following members of the Board expire with this session of the General Synod:

Rev. J. F. Berg, D.D.,	Rev. J. H. Whitehead,
Rev. W. P. Bruce, D.D.,	Mr. John Bingham,
Rev. Edward Dawson,	T. G. Huizinga, M.D.,
Rev. Wm. B. Hill, D.D.,	Mr. V. H. Youngman,
Rev. Malcolm J. MacLeod, D.D.,	

FINANCES

RECEIPTS, BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The receipts of the Board for its regular work were \$230,985.02, of which \$201,921.61 were from collections, \$3,996.00 from legacies, \$15,314.44 from the One Day's Income Fund, and \$9,752.97 from interest on invested funds. There were also received for Special Objects outside of the appropriations, \$47,277.64, and a further sum of \$2,600 from the Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in the U. S., as a second instalment in settlement of property adjustments owing to the transfer of Stations in North Japan to that Board. The total of funds received for the regular work of the Board was \$278,262.66.

Among the largest of the gifts to Special Objects were \$9,926.18 from the Woman's Board, \$12,937.62 for the Amoy Diamond Jubilee Fund, \$3,140 for the Blauvelt Memorial Hospital, and \$6,478.73 for the Arcot Industrial and Agricultural School Funds.

An addition of \$1,270.27 was made to the Scudder Memorial Fund.

RECEIPTS, ARABIAN MISSION.

From collections there were received \$39,088.17, and from interest on invested funds \$1,010.56. There was also contributed to Special Objects outside of the appropriations, the sum of \$5,400.00. The portion which came to the Arabian Mission from the One Day's Income Fund was \$1,650. The total is therefore \$54,427.91.

TOTALS.

The combined receipts from all sources of the Board and of the Arabian Mission were \$345,462.82, being \$20,170.74 in excess of the corresponding amount received last year, of 6%.

The combined receipts in contributions were \$328,432.14, or \$57,611.35 in excess of the corresponding amount received last year, being an advance of 21%. A table presenting summaries of the above figures follows:

FINANCES

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RECEIPTS

FOR THE REGULAR WORK OF THE BOARD.

From Collections:

Churches, S.S., Y.P.S.....	\$126,221.14	
Woman's Board	64,620.08	
Individual Gifts	11,080.39	
	<u>\$201,921.61</u>	
Legacies, net	3,996.00	
One Day's Income Fund.....	15,314.44	
Interest on Funds.....	9,752.97	\$230,985.02
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Special Objects Outside the Appro-		
priations	47,277.64	
Sale of North Japan Buildings.....	2,600.00	
New Funds	7,500.00	
Additions to Funds	2,672.25	60,049.89
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FOR THE ARABIAN MISSION.

Collections	\$39,088.17	
Interest Funds	1,010.56	
	<u>\$40,098.73</u>	
Special Objects Outside the Appro-		
priations	\$ 5,400.00	
Additions to Funds	7,279.18	
One Day's Income Fund.....	1,650.00	54,427.91
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Total Receipts		\$345,462.82
Deducting:		
Legacies	3,996.00	
Interest on Funds	10,434.68	
Sale of North Japan Buildings.....	2,600.00	17,030.68
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Total of all Contributions—1919.....		\$328,432.14
Total of all Contributions—1918.....		270,820.79
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Gain in Contributions—1919.....		\$57,611.35
Gain in Total Receipts—1919.....		20,170.74

HOME EXPENSES AND PER CAPITA GIFTS.

The Home Expenses, which include the cultivation of Missionary interest at home and the administration of the work abroad, as, also the collection and disbursement of all the moneys received amount to about 8% of the Board's income.

The total receipts show a per capita giving of \$2.57 as against \$2.46 last year, while the contributions from all living sources show a per capita giving of \$2.48 against \$2.04 last year, a very gratifying and significant increase in the dependable source of income.

EXPENDITURES, BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The amount expended by the Board for its regular work on the Field was \$249,500.51, distributed as follows: Amoy, \$84,102.77, as against \$49,635.20 expended the previous year for the same work, the large excess representing the cost of exchange; Arcot, \$80,146.87; Japan, \$85,250.87. The interest paid upon moneys borrowed by the Board through the summer months was \$2,409.77. Home Expenses for promotion, collection and administration were \$24,316.40.

EXPENDITURES, ARABIAN MISSION.

The amount expended for the regular work of this Mission was \$40,897.94, while its share of Home Expenses was \$4,384.76, and the payment on account of interest for borrowed money was \$115.97.

A detailed statement of the "Revenue and Expenditures" of the Board and of the Arabian Mission appears in the last pages of this report.

WOMAN'S BOARD

The receipts of the Woman's Board from all sources reached the unprecedented amount of \$109,898.87. Of this amount, \$5,000 was contributed for land for the proposed Memorial to Mrs. Booth in connection with Ferris Seminary. There were received from the One Day's Income Fund \$5,970.56, and from legacies \$2,200.

The Woman's Board paid during the past year into the treasury of Synod's Board for work in China, India, Japan and Arabia, \$83,556.61, of which \$20,097.65 were for items outside of the appropriations for the regular work.

Once again, and with additional emphasis this year, the Board records its deep appreciation of the increasing cooperation and the ever growing fellowship and counsel and service which it enjoys with the Woman's Board, through whose special efforts this year so large an amount has been contributed for the maintenance of our work abroad. That Board has this year assumed responsibility for the work of the Arabian Mission on the same basis as the other Missions, and has also met the expenses for cost of exchange for a part of the year.

CONCLUSION.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE BOARD

The Board makes the following recommendations:

1. That the custom of preceding years be followed and the last Sunday in February be designated for the special presentation of the cause of Foreign Missions in our Churches and in their Sunday Schools.

2. That we continue to emphasize our approval and recommendation of the Every Member Canvass, in successful use in a continually increasing number of Churches as the best method of enlisting the financial assistance of the entire constituency of our Church in support of the local Church and the denominational agencies, and that it be urged that such annual canvass be conducted through the personal visits of members of a committee of the consistory or congregation.

3. That the One Day's Income Fund for Missions be discontinued as it represented an emergency policy to meet special contingencies arising from war conditions which it is fully expected will soon improve.

4. That we urge upon individuals the method of Conditional Gifts or Annuities as an increasingly satisfactory and dependable source of income, advantageous alike in the direction

of carrying out the purpose of the donor and of making such purpose ultimately available for the work of the Board and the Church.

5. That we place ourselves on record as profoundly of the belief that the closing of the World War must be the signal to the Church of Christ to go forward and that co-operation and united advance of all branches of the Church are demanded as never before.

In recognition of this solemn consciousness of responsibility to God, that we recommend to General Synod the following course of action for the strengthening of the cause of Foreign Missions in response to the demands of the hour:

(a) As a concrete expression of our resolve and our faith in its achievement in view of the results of this year, we as a Board and as a Church definitely and purposefully undertake to move forward our financial goal from \$350,000 to \$400,000, as our fair obligation and attainable object for the coming year.

(b) The cordial support of the Reformed Church Progress Campaign which involves the following budget for the next five years, based on a careful study of the Field: The maintenance budget for five years, \$1,700,000; advance budget for maintenance and equipment, \$942,000; total, representing a five year budget for the Progress Campaign, \$2,642,000.

(c) Co-operation in the Interchurch World Movement representing the marshalling of the forces of Protestant Christianity in America to cope with the world problems of the Church, this co-operation to be maintained so far as may appear practicable and wise in the judgment of the Board as the plans of the Movement are developed.

In behalf of the Board,

W. I. CHAMBERLAIN, *Corr. Sec'y*

F. M. POTTER, *Assoc. Sec'y*

W. J. VAN KERSEN, *Dist. Sec'y*

Approved by the Board,

May 23, 1919.



AMOY MISSION

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THE AMOY MISSION, CHINA.

FOUNDED 1842.

AREA OCCUPIED 8,000 SQUARE MILES. POPULATION 4,000,000.

Missionaries.—Amoy: Miss K. M. Talmage, Miss M. E. Talmage, Miss L. N. Duryee, Miss E. C. Boynton, Miss W. Murman, Rev. H. P. Boot, Rev. H. P. DePree, Dr. J. H. Snoke, Dr. E. J. Strick, Mr. Herman Renskers, Mr. F. J. Weersing, Rev. Henry Poppen. *Tong-an*: Miss K. R. Green, Miss E. K. Beekman, Rev. Frank Eckerson, Rev. L. A. Talman, Rev. H. I. Todd. *Chiang-chiu*: Miss M. C. Morrison, Rev. Steward Day. *Sio-khe*: Miss Nellie Zwemer, Miss Leona Van der Linden, Rev. H. J. Voskuil, Rev. H. M. Veenschoten, Dr. T. Bosch. *Shanghai*: Rev. and Mrs. A. L. Warnshuis.

Associate Missionaries.—Mrs. H. P. Boot, Mrs. H. J. Voskuil, Mrs. H. P. DePree, Mrs. E. J. Strick, Mrs. Steward Day, Mrs. J. H. Snoke, Mrs. H. Renskers, Mrs. T. Bosch, Mrs. F. J. Weersing, Mrs. L. A. Talman, Mrs. H. M. Veenschoten, Mrs. H. Poppen.

In America.—Mrs. L. W. Kipp, Miss Maude Norling.

Names of Churches.	Church Organizations.	Constituent Chapels.	Received on Confession.	Received on Certificate.	Dismissed.	Died.	Excommunicated.	Removed from Roll.	Total Communicants.	Under Suspension.	Infants Baptized.	Inquirers.	Baptized Non-Communicants.	Domestic Missions.	Native Contributions, Exclusive of Contributions for Schools.	Native Contributions for Schools.
Sin-koe	1	3	17	2	1	6	0	12	251	3	7	80	220	\$80	\$3,530	\$2,564
Tek-chhiu-kha	1	2	32	7	16	9	3	14	352	6	9	60	261	96	2,085	1,112
Au-kang	1	4	1	5	2	4	0	0	135	5	0	82	69	32	675	1,190
Khoe-hoa	1	1	10	0	8	0	0	0	84	4	5	45	44	40	1,098	526
Kam-un-hoe	0	1	0	0	12	0	0	0	37	0	0	24	15	12	772	140
Chioh-be	1	2	9	0	5	4	0	4	131	8	9	20	94	27	688	900
Chiang-chiu	1	3	7	1	1	5	1	1	208	10	4	80	169	50	815	2,444
Sio-khe	1	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	77	7	6	38	61	15	397	....
Thian-po	1	2	0	1	1	1	0	0	53	5	2	20	49	12	438	94
Lam-sin	1	1	1	0	2	5	0	0	98	6	0	30	105	18	506	170
Poa-a	1	4	3	0	0	10	0	0	135	6	7	22	44	23	784	45
Ho-san	1	3	*2	1	2	0	0	2	52	6	3	16	67	11	295	60
Soa-sia	1	4	3	0	0	2	0	0	57	3	1	20	46	22	592	36
Leng-soa	1	3	5	2	3	2	0	1	59	8	7	25	42	24	516	80
Bi-kong-hoe	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	0	0	15	18	4	112	....
Tong-an	1	5	12	13	1	5	0	0	189	13	18	100	121	42	1,042	1,002
Hong-san	1	5	6	6	4	4	0	0	126	7	6	64	88	35	2,351	154
Chheng-khe	1	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	63	4	6	104	50	10	570	100
Totals.....	16	50	110	38	59	57	4	34	2126	101	90	845	1563	\$553	\$17,266	10,617

*2 are excommunicated members again received.

REPORT FOR 1918.

INTRODUCTION.

GENERAL CONDITIONS.

Dr. Sherwood Eddy recently made the statement that China has never been so disturbed politically, nevertheless has never been so impressionable religiously. During the past year we have been forcefully reminded of this statement again and again. And so it is that the Amoy Mission has just completed a year full of events and in many regards a trying year; a year full of sorrow, full of anxiety, and yet a year full of blessing.

EARTHQUAKE.

Hardly was the New Year ushered in when a severe earthquake occurred, followed all the year by more or less severe quakes; many buildings, especially in the Sio-khe and Chiang-chiu regions, were injured. At one place near Lam-sin a whole village, of which all the inhabitants are Christians, was destroyed, the poor people erecting bamboo huts for shelter. However, many who still kept to their idolatrous worship, found their gods fallen down, broken. "Can you put your trust in such a god?" we asked them. Their faith was shaken and diligently we pointed to Him in Whom to believe is life eternal.

CIVIL WAR.

While busy at this great work of witnessing, the internal unrest grew more serious day by day, till at last we experienced the movement of troops, munitions and artillery. From the island Kulangsu on one day we could observe the actual fighting on the mainland between the forces of the North and South. At one time over 200 wounded soldiers were counted in the Amoy hospitals. Then followed a period in which the battle line wavered back and forth, and we who lived right in

this disputed area had sometimes to stop our work of witnessing and seek safety or help to protect the unfortunate. This was especially felt by the Chiang-chiu people. Well do we remember the great courage displayed by one of our members there, who, despising the safety in Amoy, tried to go to Chiang-chiu. Hardly had he started on his voyage when the steam-launch was fired on by the Southern troops. He therefore, had to return, but the next day hired a small sail-boat, evaded the dangerous places and reached Chiang-chiu just in time to be a great blessing to the brethren there.

Chiang-chiu has been taken by the South; all of the Sio-khe and North-River districts have been taken, while Tong-an changed hands several times. And to this the general poverty caused by an army invasion, especially a Chinese army, must be added. First the North levied extra taxes; then came the South not much better in this regard; then they asked for coolie labor. And the recollection of those coolies, abused, wounded or killed by the soldiers because of a mere misunderstanding often, is still revolting to think of. Frequently we were shocked by the cowardly and immoral behavior of the soldiers. Add to all this the almost complete standstill of business, and you have a fair idea of our field of labor. Notwithstanding all this, great blessings were in store for us.

BANDITS.

Civil war in China is always followed by an increase in robberies. Robber bands, numbering from ten to a thousand men, sweep over a district or lie in wait for the traveller. Last year our messengers were held up several times. One of our missionaries was followed twice; and Rev. F. Eckerson, while returning from his trip through the North-River district, was cruelly treated by bandits, finally shot through the leg, kicked aside in a ditch and left there for hours, till a Christian Chinese came to his aid. Well do we remember the anxiety felt here and at home by his many friends. Mr. Eckerson felt in his body what it means to suffer for Christ; and he bore all with a faith so well founded, a patience without com-

plaint, that even in his period of recovery he was a great blessing to those who visited him. However, he did not altogether escape a serious nervous shock, which at times threw a gloomy cloud over his life. When we heard in December, that, having been left on one of his trips without chairbearers, he had been able to walk almost 15 miles, we all rejoiced.

For a while we thought that the fever of internal strife had abated, when from the Tong-an region a call went out for help, because the population was in great need of food. Then came the cry from several chapels robbed by thieves. The church at Eng-hok (in the North-River district) had collected money for the building of a new church; however, the treasurer was robbed of nearly all he had and the church money incidentally was taken too. Several people have been killed by these roaming bands, while many have been wounded or were beaten. On the 24th of December we received the news that one of the chapels in the Tong-an region (Sai-pi), had been totally destroyed by bandits. These events forcefully prove the truthfulness of the first part of Dr. Eddy's statement.

INFLUENZA:

Just while we were rejoicing that the armistice between North and South was really coming into effect, a general plague of influenza swept over all the districts. The recollection of this in America is still sufficiently vivid that we need here merely to allude to this great scourge. But in China not even the most simple laws of sanitation are known or obeyed and the death-rate was simply appalling. We dread the Plague, but this form of influenza was more wicked than either Plague or cholera. At several places sufficient coffins could not be provided. Special mention should be made of the assistant doctor in the Sio-khe hospital, who was on duty all alone, for the physician in charge had gone to the North-River district to administer to patients there. Although every one of his large family was sick and every one of the hospital

people, except himself, had influenza, he faithfully attended to all the calls; in two weeks he was called to see over 200 patients in their homes, at the same time attending to all the main duties in the hospital.

Considering, therefore, all the obstacles, we must say that our blessings are all the more pronounced and all the more appreciated. Some of the institutions are reporting a gain of almost eighty per cent. over two years ago, many are stating a steady growth, all are doing good and faithful work.

EDDY CAMPAIGN.

Two events stand out especially as being of far reaching importance; the first is the Eddy campaign, the other the Preacher's conference in Tong-an. The Eddy campaign was characterized by bringing into effect a principle which so far had been much neglected, the principle of personal work, of intensive rather than extensive work. Hence no one was admitted to the meetings except those brought in by Christians or looked after by Christians. These were enrolled in Bible classes or special groups. We are glad to report that all over Amoy and Kulangsu Bible classes are conducted as a result of these efforts.

The campaign had been thoroughly prepared by the Buchman party in December of 1917. During these stirring days many Christians and Christian workers received a new impulse, a new vision; one could see it on their faces, hear it in their sermons. We looked forward to the Eddy campaign with great expectations, which were fully realized. A party among whom were Dr. and Mrs. Eddy, Dr. Warnshuis, Miss Paxson and Miss Chai, visited twelve cities in China. They worked in Amoy for three days, March 11-14. In each church, besides the women, from 12 to 40 men were actively helping in the campaign. Dr. Eddy addressed these Christians and the new hearers prepared by them, on the subjects of Sin, Salvation, Christ, the Church and what does it mean to be a Christian. On the second night hundreds of cards were signed by those who wanted to accept Christ as their Saviour. On the third

night, when the subject of the Church was discussed, those who signed the cards remained in the hall and were divided into nine groups according to church preference, each group led by a pastor, who assumed responsibility for these new additions to his flock. Special meetings with the teachers and pupils of the various schools proved equally successful.

The woman's meetings were no less stirring. Miss Chai, a Chinese woman of exceptional ability and earnestness, gave such a powerful witness that the men petitioned her to speak to them also. The hope of China lies in these earnest Chinese witnesses.

TONG-AN CONFERENCE.

We look upon the Eddy-campaign as an influence from without; the Tong-an conference must be considered as an internal uplift of the churches. It was held in the spirit and with the enthusiasm of the Northfield conference.

The preparation for this first attempt at a conference was thoroughly arranged by Mr. Elliott of the Amoy Y. M. C. A. under difficulties peculiarly adverse. For sometimes the political conditions were so uncertain, the rumors so many, that some talked of giving up the entire plan. Fortunately the leaders persevered with the result of a wonderful spiritual uplift.

Among the strong speakers we counted pastor Ding Li Mei, Dr. MacLeod from the Canadian Presbyterian Mission of Formosa and Dr. Warnshuis. The day's program included a sunrise and sunset prayer meeting on the mountain side, platform addresses at the close of the morning session and in the evening, the rest of the time being given to the group-meetings. The great theme of the convention was the fight against "the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life." Over a hundred pastors and preachers, as someone expressed it, took not only a step forward, but also a step upward. This appeared especially on the last evening, when a consecration meeting was arranged for, the burden of which was:—Have these men received the help and the vision of the

practical sort that must overflow and affect the spiritual life of the churches where they work? The two questions asked were: "What has the conference done for you? What are you going to do about it?" One of the older missionaries told us later that he had never heard such stirring answers from about 40 members of the conference. It was unanimously voted to arrange another such conference for next year.

NORTH-RIVER PROJECT.

The greatest forward advance of the year was the addition of the North-River district to our mission. This region is one of the most promising areas in which to work. First of all the people are open minded, open hearted and willing to listen to the Gospel; they are kindly inclined towards foreigners and look upon them more as helpers than as intruders. Several cities are offering large tracts of land to induce the mission to build there; a few churches have scores of new hearers signifying the great possibilities for growth and expansion. Last year four of our members made extensive tours through the district. The entire trip is through mountainous regions, the large centers being built on plateaus surrounded by mountains. One of these is the Eng-hok plateau; the other Leng-na, a tremendous area 20 miles in radius scattered with hundreds of villages. The other important site is Chiang-peng, smaller, but more centrally placed. Everywhere a most cordial reception was extended, seven places preparing feasts. Crowds gathered about the dispensary rooms, giving Dr. Bosch the opportunity of attending nearly 800 patients. Use was made of this occasion to sell literature, 1,084 books in all. 1,300 pamphlets were also distributed to the patients and their friends.

In all 300 miles were covered. At the above named places Eng-hok, Leng-na and Chiang-peng they were just beseeched to build a hospital there! One place offered a large building-site and \$3,000 for material. As far as meetings are concerned 32 formal addresses were delivered besides numerous speeches and personal interviews. The crowds spoken to numbered over 3,000. The delegation attended 5 meetings with the church-

councils, and rounded up their work with a three day's conference with all the preachers and teachers in the district. One of the remarkable things was the emphasis placed on family worship; at one place 22 pledges were given to have religious services in the home and a home in China usually means a small village. Reflecting on this trip we cannot help but contrast our hearty welcome with the attitude of the people 25 years ago, when foreigners were forbidden to come to Leng-na and settle there. At present the three above named places are competing one with the other to have us come and make their place the center of the district. China is ripe for Christ and is waiting for forces from America. At present Rev. H. Poppen is studying the language and Rev. H. P. De Pree is faithfully and ably managing the affairs of the North-River district.

PERSONNEL.

The mission personnel has undergone a number of changes. In the autumn there were rumors of a pretty wedding in Japan, however we here had only to attend to the prosaic affair of removing Miss Ogsbury's name from the list of active members and adding that of Mrs. Renskers to the class of associate missionaries. Mr. Herman Renskers, who was the cause of these changes, returned with his bride and is added to the teaching staff of Talmage College. Many years of happiness to Mr. and Mrs. Renskers in the service of the Amoy mission!

In October we were happy to welcome Rev. and Mrs. Henry Poppen and Rev. Harvey I. Todd. They were given a hearty reception at the homes of Mr. Weersing and Dr. Strick and have since visited the Chiang-chiu and Sio-khe stations.

During the year two junior missionaries arrived. We hope that John Fagg Voskuil and David Otte DePree may live up to the high standard of their worthy god-fathers.

Four members of the mission left the field. In the spring Mrs. Kip, after a most useful service of fifty-one years in the Amoy field left for America, leaving behind scores of friends among the foreign constituency and hundreds of "children in

the faith" among the Chinese. Upon her departure she presented the mission with a gift of \$4,000.00, the money being definitely designated for direct evangelistic work.

In September Miss Norling started on a well earned furlough.

The mission deeply regrets the loss of Dr. and Mrs. Snoke who having given ten years of faithful service to the Amoy field, are now working in connection with the St. Luke's hospital in Shanghai. The total number of missionaries on the field therefore remains the same as last year.

CHIANG-CHIU DISTRICT

This district began the year with four members on the field. Miss Morrison, Miss Norling, and Rev. and Mrs. Steward Day. Miss Norling left the field on September the 7th for furlough, and Rev. and Mrs. H. M. Veenschoten came up to Chiang-chiu the next month and occupied the Chinese house which Miss Norling had been using as residence. Mr. Veenschoten passed his first year's examination during the fall.

For much of the year itinerating was considered unsafe, and the American Consul has advised against travelling in unsettled districts. At times the very residence of foreigners in their inland station was considered dangerous and the return of our missionaries was somewhat delayed. But we managed to cover the field and with the exception of one chapel, all churches were visited at least once.

The organized Chinese churches of the Amoy field are self-supporting. The preachers of the out-stations or chapels are paid from the Preachers' Salary Fund, which simply means that the mission supplements what the churches themselves are able to raise. This year on account of the reduced appropriations for Evangelistic work generally, a special appeal was made to the churches, but they have found it very difficult to respond. However, they have increased the amount given last year (about \$250) by more than 100 per cent. If

the churches pay their pledges, they will have raised over \$550, an increase of about \$300. This is remarkable when one considers that the churches are small, the contributing members few and the circumstances peculiarly adverse.

BOOK ROOM

The book room has for some time been quite a problem. After long consideration it was decided to put more money and effort into it. And so we have appealed to the Evangelistic Fund for \$100 and are adding one worker, a colporteur, to do the outside work of the book room. This fall the book room, which is also a reading room, has been very much used by the resident soldiers. More than a hundred a day have been counted. Besides we have ordered ten extra copies of the Chinese Christian Intelligencer, the best Christian weekly in China, for distribution among the military and civil yamens; to those whom we hope to persuade to get the paper regularly we give the paper for a period of time. The military have three Red Cross hospitals in which gospels and tracts were distributed.

Our five organized churches and their nine associated chapels were much affected by the general unrest and the unsettled conditions which prevailed throughout the year. Some of the preachers left their fields of work during seasons of stress, fearing trouble from defeated soldiers and local bandits. One of our chapels was twice broken into and robbed by Northern soldiers.

CHIOH-BE.

The work of the Chioh-be church for the year has been quite normal. Their pastor, one of the oldest of our region, has had the experience and training that enable one to carry on the work with even pace year after year, looking to the future for the largeness of the harvest that to some might seem too long to wait for. The earthquake did the church and school much damage. The pastor had just finished a new

house which was so damaged that it had to be practically rebuilt from the ground up. This made the question of raising the year's finances a peculiarly difficult one, and, besides, prevented the church's doing much for outside causes, especially the Preachers' Salary Fund, which highly needed the aid of the larger churches of the district.

CHIANG-CHIU.

The Chiang-chiu church, as our last report records, lost its pastor last year, and this year has been served by a Mr. Lim, who has done very well especially in his pulpit work. But his pastoral work has not been equal to that of a good pastor. The church is anxious to get a pastor but good men are hard to find and there is little chance of our getting one for the coming year. This church has been especially affected by the rumors and fighting in the region. However a Sunday School was reorganized for the third time, at least, in the history of the church. As it was impossible to arrange for the separation into classes of all the church groups, the men, the women, the Girls' School, the Boys' School, and the two kindergartens, it seemed best, in fact necessary to use the church and its nearby buildings for the men's and the women's classes only, and that the schools should be organized separately and then all the above groups assemble for the review of the lesson, in the church. The women's side of the church's Sunday School is most flourishing and is well organized and taught. Miss Morrison and the Bible woman, with the aid of the Girls' School teachers and some students manage very well that division of the work. What has been called the Y. M. C. A., a men's meeting of the church which has for a number of years flourished and added its influence to the life and progress of the church, is still doing very well, and many of the church's new members receive their initiation into church life and doctrine from this meeting. It has in general been a year marked by harmony and normal church life. The church is usually crowded to its utmost capacity, especially the women's side.

LENG-SOA.

The new pastor of the Leng-soa church has been there for just one year. He has already shown an earnest desire to improve the life and work of the church. But the church itself has not responded as well as might be desired. This church has also had to make repairs on both church and school building on account of damage done by the earthquake. They have begun a girl's school this year with an attendance of 14. This is rather a unique thing for churches in the interior to have girls' schools as they have formerly been organized in the district center under the direction of the lady missionaries.

SOA-SIA.

The Soa-sia church organization has had a difficult year. One chapel was robbed twice by retreating Northern soldiers, and for a time Soa-sia itself was the center of the civil struggle between the two armies. The church appealed to the mission for aid in repairs, also, but there was no money available for them, and the church is too poor to make the necessary repairs. This church, for a long time a great problem to the mission and very dead, has very much improved its church life and is making great effort to succeed.

Educational Work

THE CHIANG-CHIU BOYS' PRIMARY SCHOOL.

With the exception of the girls' school no other organization has been so affected by the conditions which prevailed throughout the year. In the autumn two days before the fall of the city, we had to close school so that the boys who lived far away had opportunity to return home. After a short period the school work was resumed and the teachers have worked faithfully. The expenses of the year have been as great as usual, the pupils fewer, and the fees less. In spite of reduced appropriations made to educational work by the Board affecting our school to the extent of \$300, we have tried to

keep up its measure of efficiency. With money raised from the Chinese a new kitchen was built and the dining-room enlarged. Government schools charge no tuition, and the large Catholic church school charges neither for tuition nor for books. This is another element in our work which at present is quite a problem, for unlike the Catholic church our Chinese church is unable to subsidize the work so as to enable us to compete with other schools on a fair basis.

CHIOH-BE PRIMARY SCHOOL.

This school though not under direct supervision of the missionary, is in no way inferior, as regards the enrollment or quality of work done, to the four boarding schools in charge of foreigners. Pastor Ang makes a very efficient superintendent. The school is run in almost every detail as other mission schools and has a great influence in the city of Chioh-be. Last fall there were over one hundred and fifty pupils.

SIN-TNG SCHOOL.

The Sin-tng preacher organized this school last year and also aids in the running and teaching of the same. He and the teacher work in great harmony, especially as regards the co-ordination of the educational and religious teaching of the church. The school has already an influence, important in the drawing of interest from those formerly outside the church. One whole family, I am told, has been added, through the influence of the one non-Christian pupil, to the church's list of hearers. It may be said that the school has been the salvation of the church. Regarding country day schools connected with our churches we are passing through a time of change, when the villages and towns of the interior are increasing the number and efficiency of public schools. The teachers and curriculum of these public schools are becoming of higher character and this gives the church school less of an ascendancy over the others. In this time of change one needs patience and guidance and courage to conform to the demands of growth and development. Towards this end we are striving.

CHIANG-CHIU GIRLS' SCHOOL.

From an enrollment of over 100 pupils for 1917 the number dropped to 68, due to the unsettled conditions of the country in general. All through the term we felt we might have suddenly to close, and this came to pass early in June when the Southern troops were about to attack the city. Chiang-chiu became panic stricken; parents came to take their girls away and our number was rapidly so diminished that we did not have to decide as to closing or not, for in two days only three homeless girls and the matron were left.

Miss Morrison was not allowed to return until late in October and the following week the school was reopened. Everything has been quiet since our opening school, and 34 pupils have been enrolled. Two of the older girls were baptized and received into the church; one is from a non-Christian family. She is a bright and faithful pupil and we hope that she will be earnest in witnessing for her Saviour among her relatives. Early last spring one of our pupils from a non-Christian home was suddenly taken from school to be immediately sold and married to an officer of the Northern army, to be his fourth wife. She was only fourteen years old and we were very sorry to lose the girl who took much interest in her school life and in the Christian teaching.

There has been very good health, marked sympathy and good fellowship among all in our school, and we rejoice that many are trying so to live as to adorn the Gospel and commend it to others.

Woman's Evangelistic Work

During the year five women members of the church have died; one of these was our Bible woman who has done faithful work in this city and other places for nearly fifteen years. Our second Bible woman has been most earnest and diligent in her service for the Master; she rarely is to be found at home during the day and her face is a familiar one to many

women who have never been to church, but who know her and who have heard from her of the one true God. She is persisting in her efforts to bring them to Christ and is ready at any time to be their guide to church. We are happy in having such a zealous new woman take up Bible-woman work.

We have joined in the special work of promoting the study of the Romanized colloquial so that all Christians may be able to read the Bible and study it for themselves. More than a dozen women have taken up this work and are now able to read more or less fluently.

Miss Morrison closes her report with the statement as to the eagerness of the Chinese to listen to the Gospel and the great opportunities everywhere. She also wishes for more laborers, a request the more emphatic for she is the only single lady worker in a large city with countless openings for the church. It is hard to knock when no man opens, but it is harder to be invited and not be able to enter.

SIO-KHE DISTRICT

The personnel of this district consists of Rev. and Mrs. H. J. Voskuil, Rev. and Mrs. H. M. Veenschoten, the Misses Zwemer and Van der Linden, and Dr. and Mrs. T. Bosch. The woman's and evangelistic work have been greatly hampered by the civil strife, not any churches noting the customary increase. The hospital and the boys' boarding school, however, stand foremost among the mission institutions to show rapid growth, both recording an increase of 80 per cent. over two years ago.

NEERBOSCH HOSPITAL.

The Sio-khe hospital began the year 1918 with several definite aims in view. First of all it was decided to work toward an increase over 1916, in general attendance of 50 per cent., in surgery 30 per cent. Secondly, to give all patients a fair presentation of the Gospel's saving truths. Thirdly, to have

not a single person leave the hospital dissatisfied. Fourthly, to aim at a total Christian constituency as far as staff, nurses and orderlies are concerned. In how far we accomplished this can be judged from what follows.

It was not an easy matter to have the total attendance increase 50 per cent. However, during the year the figures grew larger and larger and on December 31st, we booked a total gain of 80 per cent. above 1916. In other words the 1916 total of 2,808 rose in 1917 to 3,895 and in 1918 to 5,048. This figure is the more important because hand in hand with the increase in numbers an increase of thoroughness in the professional work and care was established. The out-patients are quickly examined and only those diseases which are interesting or not thoroughly understood are subjected to a long examination. This constitutes a detailed history of the case and a complete physical, including laboratory, examination. Besides this, three itinerating circuits were made during which we saw over a thousand patients. Notwithstanding the support from the mission had dropped from about \$2,000 in 1916 to about \$1,300 in 1918, the work has almost doubled in these two years. Frequently the staff did not know how to make ends meet and had to resort to various devices,—raising the fees, taking over the kitchen account, compounding our own prescriptions almost entirely, stopping the electric light plant for a number of months. Together with an increase in numbers it was to be expected that the number of operations performed would also rise. Last year the total number was 108, this year we counted 133 in all, a net increase of almost exactly 30 per cent.

Did the hospital give to all patients a fair presentation of the Gospel's most essential truths? Did they leave the hospital satisfied? With the exception of two soldiers who were sent away because of disobedience to the hospital rules, we know of no complaint. Many a chronic trouble we could not help, in many a severe illness we stood helpless, but the patients all knew that they received our very best treatment. This with the tone of kindness absolutely required from

staff and nurses, has given great satisfaction. The Bible woman and the hospital preacher have sown the good seed constantly not to 5,000 only, for many patients are visited by their relatives. Here is one example out of many. We tell this of the power of Christ's message shown in these unusual circumstances. Two men filled with a long and deep hatred met one day for a life and death struggle. Both were of nearly the same physique and struggled incessantly until, severely wounded (one having almost lost his eyesight) they were brought to the hospital. The two patients were placed in the same room side by side and received both the same care. Not many days later one began to scold at the cruelty of the other, and all the friendly admonitions of the staff and preacher were of no avail. So they were placed in separate rooms. Not long after one of them began to consider his evil ways. "There is no forgiveness for you, man," said the hospital preacher, "until you've forgiven him." Finally he disclosed his willingness not only to forgive the man, but also to ask the other man to forgive him. Again and again he came back to pray for pardon, till finally the other, though unable to see his former enemy, granted him forgiveness. The beds were again placed side by side and the Gospel had its way.

To the inquiry whether all persons connected with the hospital are Christians, we have to answer that not all our orderlies are. Last year we received three new ones, who had never heard the Gospel before; they as yet show only a kind inclination towards Christianity. One of them learned to read the Bible and his folks have put away the idols. All the others connected with the hospital are Christians. Of these four go out preaching regularly, one is a Sunday School teacher, one joined church two years ago and two are about to join within a few months. The hospital during the last term has had charge of the Ho-san church and we have conducted regular meetings there, done some house visitation and held a series of evening services for new hearers.

During the year special evangelistic efforts were made in three neighboring places. (This work generally centers round

a dispensary and is conducted almost entirely by hospital people.) At such times great crowds flock together; we sell much literature, distribute many pamphlets, and after the dispensary or on Sunday conduct our meetings. These services last year were so well attended and so much enthusiasm was displayed, that we are planning to visit even more places during the coming year. This is not only good religious work, but is one of the best things we can do to advertise the hospital.

The class of nurses lost one probationer, the other girls have done well, have passed their required examinations with good standing and are more and more applying the lesson for Chinese so hard to learn, that of the nobility of service.

From Dr. Bosch's closing paragraph we quote the following:—"In looking back we have many reasons for gratitude, and our prayer for the year to come is that a constant twelve-months-long stream of good-will and witnessing for Christ may be our part."

SIO-KHE GIRLS' SCHOOL.

Miss L. Van der Linden, in charge of the Sio-khe Girls' School, opens her report by saying that she is very grateful to the Woman's Board for securing the necessary money to make extensive repairs and improvements possible. The school building is now more adequately arranged with the assembly room downstairs, providing a larger dormitory on the second floor. The enrollment for the year was small due principally to the disturbed political conditions; 43 girls were in school during the spring term and 33 during the winter term; 10 were day pupils. We cannot praise too highly the faithful consecrated work of Mrs. Iap and Mrs. Tiu, both of whom have been teachers in the school for several years. Both have the interest of the pupils at heart and the girls love them dearly. A short prayer meeting held every Saturday morning with the teachers and matron has helped to keep us in close touch with each other. The earnest definite prayers for individual pupils revealed the teachers' sympathetic interest in their pupils and the concern they felt for their spiritual welfare.

It has been a pleasure to work with the girls and we are glad for the splendid opportunities we have had to show them the Way of Life. They all enjoyed their physical drill every morning and tried hard to keep time, though we must confess that some have not yet learned to "keep step to the music."

The report concludes with a statement as to the health of the children and the services which the hospital was able to render.

SIO-KHE WOMAN'S EVANGELISTIC WORK.

One of the dearest babies here, Miss Zwemer writes, has the dreadful name of "Sam-ui" (Three things to fear) and his mother explained it was because he was born in the year of the earthquake, war and influenza. These three plagues have hindered our work very much. Notwithstanding them, special meetings were held for both Christian and non-Christian women. In these gatherings the strong character of some of our Christian workers came out most beautifully.

During the year 17 women were enrolled in the Woman's school of whom 12 were in attendance the first term and 7 the second. All made satisfactory progress in their work and most of them, we hope, have by this time learned to understand the way of salvation as all said they were determined to walk that way. Two were members of the church when they came, and one was received during the year. The one who gave half a day to study and half a day to work in the hospital is now to give her whole time to Bible-woman work. A girl who graduated this year from the Amoy school gave very efficient help in teaching for part of the term. The Southern soldiers demanded money of her father and as he could not pay, she was in danger of being sold; so she took refuge in our school. Since she came the older teacher has given much of her time to personal work.

In our district very few people can read or write; this makes the Sunday School problem an entirely different proposition from that at home. So the women are divided into eight classes and the teachers have worked hard to keep their

pupils interested and to lead them to Christ. It is the aim to have one teacher always ready to teach new hearers and there is another class in which reading is taught to women who have no opportunity to come to school. A weekly teachers meeting is held for preparation and intercession.

A weekly meeting was started at a village where for some time several women have shown special interest. This more intensive work is telling. The women and girls who attend the meetings are learning to read and to pray and are making steady progress. We are concentrating on a few places until the women really understand and accept the Gospel.

EVANGELISTIC EFFORTS.

We quote from Mr. Voskuil's report the following:—

Great preparations had been made to visit the district city. We had invited the help of the hospital and several preachers had declared their willingness to do either platform or personal work. Arrangements had been made for follow up work. It was the best organized piece of work of the year. The magistrate had shown more than good will in providing a place for us to stay, a preaching hall and promising most of the expenses of the trip. Three days before the day set for our departure, soldiers began coming in large numbers to the district city. We were effectually blocked.

LAM-SIN.

Of the Lam-sin church another progressive year may be reported. Several members of this church stand out as strong Christians, among whom should be named the pastor's son, who is at present the leading elder there. The minister makes it his business to settle all the quarrels of his parishioners as well as their marriages and their estates, and it must be said that he does it quite ably. The boys' school has done very well this year. The teacher is a very promising young man, who is constantly exercising himself to make Sundays and the Bible more attractive to the boys. The boys' school has at

present over 40 pupils. In the spring the hospital party visited this place for four days; over 300 patients were attended to, six services were conducted and many personal interviews were held. At present the congregation counts over 200 members.

SIO-KHE.

The Sio-khe church has made a little increase during the last year. There is a better spirit among the brethren and the Sunday-School is still growing in efficiency and numbers. During the spring a short series of meetings was conducted for heathen audiences, with the result that a number of new hearers are now added. The church also was very active in collecting money for the Tientsin flood sufferers.

Educational Work

Three boys' day schools have helped to develop the youth of our churches under Christian influences. All of them have also non-Christian boys in attendance. These schools are carriers of the Gospel message as well as of educational advantages. About 80 boys were reached by this means.

The Sio-khe boarding school has a very good year to report. At the beginning of the year we increased the number of class rooms from three to four and the number of teachers from four to five. Sleeping accommodations were found in a near-by shop, formerly used as a preaching hall. The changes absorbed over \$200. All this was justified by the increase of 21 in the enrollment and otherwise in the spirit and the work of the school. It has been said that we can now compare favorably with the government school in recitations, in compositions, in drawing and other branches.

The class of five members which graduates this year is not a very brilliant group, but we do not doubt they all are of such character as will do credit to the school.

The attendance in 1916 was about 50 pupils; in 1917, this number grew to 86; while last year 92 pupils were recorded.

This expresses the need for three more class rooms and a dormitory twice the size of our present one. Mr. Voskuil closes the report with the hope that the growing student body may soon enjoy a new and larger school building.

AMOY DISTRICT

Of the 38 mission members 20 were living on Kulangsu, of whom 6 were associate missionaries, 3 connected with the hospital, 3 engaged in boys' educational work, 2 associated with the girls' school, 1 in charge of the Woman's evangelistic work, 2 were in the Woman's Bible school, 1 was doing part time secretarial and part time Woman's evangelistic work. Mr. DePree was set aside for teaching in the Theological Seminary, having also charge of the Amoy island evangelistic and educational work. Mr. Poppen is studying the language. Mrs. Kip left in the spring for America. Mr. Renskers arrived in the fall, when we also welcomed Rev. and Mrs. Poppen. In September Mr. DePree was appointed to the North River district. On December 31st Dr. and Mrs. Snoke left for Shanghai.

Woman's Evangelistic Work

On the islands of Amoy (Mansion's Door), Quemoy (Golden Gate), and Kulangsu (Drum Wave Island), are eleven churches and chapels connected with our mission work. Four of these, Sin-koe (New Street), Tek-chhiu-kha (Foot of the Bamboos), Khoe-hoa (River Bank), and Phoa-bo (Flourishing Clan) are all in walking distance and were frequently visited. The following four chapels, Kang-thau, Kio-thau, Chai-chhng, Na-au are reached by sedan chair, or by boat followed by a walk; these also have been visited frequently. Although they have no pastor to shepherd them, some of the individual Christians have been very faithful, others have grown in their spiritual life; the weekly prayer meeting at Kio-thau has continued. Pastor Tan who has been temporarily stationed here is very

active. Quemoy is reached by a four hours' trip in a launch. A Bible woman is stationed here. It was also visited once by missionary ladies during the year. Che-chiu is a mission station opened some years ago by the Tek-Chhiu-Kha church and is in a very flourishing condition. It is hoping to build a new church, the old quarters being too cramped.

At the beginning of Chinese new year Gospel meetings were held for non-Christian women at these eleven churches and chapels. Miss M. E. Talmage writes, that in most cases the houses were well filled and the attention good. On the first afternoon the meetings were disturbed at the outset by a severe earthquake shock which caused the audiences to run out of the buildings, but soon quietness was restored and the meetings continued successfully. On each afternoon at each place were two speakers, not a few of whom were former pupils of our girls' school. It is a cause of great gratitude and joy to see these young Chinese women engaged in direct witnessing for Christ. "Greater joy have we none than this" to see our children "walking in the truth" and leading others to it. Many neighborhood classes were formed during the year in the way of follow-up work for the purpose of teaching women to read and instructing them in the Bible. Most of these classes are taught by Chinese women. Four such groups convene weekly at the homes of Christians connected with our first church in Amoy and three in connection with the second church; also other like groups are held on Kulangsu and others in connection with the two sister missions here.

During the summer holidays a Bible women's institute was held for ten days in one of the school buildings on Kulangsu. This was well attended by Bible women and other workers from all three missions, and the interest well kept up. These women have so little to help and encourage them in their year's work that it pays well to give time and thought to them. These simple-hearted women make a very lovable, attractive company to teach. Addresses were given by several missionaries of the three missions and by leading Chinese workers. At the close of the session many of the women expressed

themselves as having received a real uplift in their own spiritual life and a fresh stimulus and strength to carry on their Christian work.

During the year something has been done by way of publications. The "Church News" has been issued regularly semi-monthly. This paper was started in 1888 and so has completed 30 years of work in the churches. In the spring a book was issued to help personal workers; it is called "Leading to Salvation and Sanctification." In the autumn two other books appeared: one a hymn book containing translations of many of our well-known hymns; the other, "Outline Studies of the Four Gospels," for Bible classes. Various tracts and leaflets have also been printed and circulated.

CHARLOTTE DURYEE WOMEN'S BIBLE SCHOOL.

We quote Miss K. M. Talmage as follows:

"We come to the close of another year with praise and thanksgiving. The enrollment has been higher than ever before. Over 90 women and young ladies have come under instruction for a longer or shorter period: 55 the first term and 60 the second. The matron has done faithful work and by her wise management the women have lived peaceably together. To go through a term of four months without serious quarreling among so many Chinese women is something to be very thankful for.

Of the 90 women 16 are preparing to enter the church. We have also a group who are doing personal work among the newcomers. They are a great help to us. This group meets from time to time to report on the pupil whom they are trying to lead to Christ. During the first term the women raised money for the flood sufferers and in the autumn they collected money for the women in the Tong-an region.

The newcomers are all taught to read. The women who have been in school three or four terms have this year gone through the Acts of the Apostles, many of the epistles, Old Testament history, a translation of Meyer's Elijah, and other books; they also learned some arithmetic and writing. Three or four of the women will probably be employed as Bible

women next year, and others will do what they can in their homes and among their neighbors and friends.

The cost of the school has been a little over \$1,000, but fees received have almost covered the expenses, lacking less than \$200.

The school is a great evangelistic agency and our aim is that everyone who enters the school shall not leave it without the knowledge of Christ as a personal Saviour.

Mrs. Kip left for her furlough in the spring and we have greatly missed her help. She took a great interest in all the women. This year as usual we have had the help once a week of two ladies of the other two missions working in Amoy.

Pray that God's Spirit may work mightily in our midst."

CHILDREN'S HOME.

There are 19 in all under the care of the home. During the year 3 inmates were added, one a slave girl who had been redeemed by a friend; another little girl who was redeemed by two other friends; and a third, a poor deformed girl whose widowed mother has not the means of supporting her. Two other children have come partly under the support of the home. Their father, a Christian, died, leaving his widow with four children and no means of support. The children still live with the mother but the home has undertaken part support of two.

The home children are fond of each other and live together as a little family with very little friction. They have kept in fairly good health with but little illness. The influence of the young women leaving this institution is not small and the appreciation of those who live with them is eloquently expressed by extracts from a recently received letter of a Batavian merchant. "Three weeks ago," he writes, "my dear companion received your letter. She was ill at the time and so glad to receive it. We did not think it would be the last time. On May sixth she was called by the Lord from

this world. From the time she and I became husband and wife, twelve years ago, I have not found one thing in her to criticise. She was diligent and economical in caring for the family, her disposition was gentle and kind, she was very upright and true. God in taking away this companion of mine has, as it were, cut off my two hands, leaving me alone in the world to pass my days in sorrow. She always lovingly remembered the ladies who took care of her and she loved all the little sisters in the home. She said to me, 'You ought to send some money to the home every year.' Now, although she has left me, if God spares my life I'll do as she wished me to do. My purpose is to take our children back home to China to enter schools there, for I hope to educate the children as followers of the Lord. Thank you, ladies, for caring for my wife and training her up to be such a good woman. Thinking of her kindness and goodness makes my heart extremely sad and lonely."

Although many gifts have been received, the donations to the home have not been enough to meet the running expenses. The children have been housed in one of the girls' school dormitories (they all attend school) while their house is rented. This rent supplied the balance needed for the running expenses, for the children's board and clothes, and also a small sum for repairs and paint on the house. We hope that friends of this institution may contribute sufficient funds so that the children can live in their own home and we need not be obliged to rent their own house.

AMOY GIRLS' SCHOOL.

Miss Duryee, in charge of this school, emphasizes the important fact of a steady growth and increase; 270 names were on the roll the first semester and 260 the second with a total of 330 names. A class of 14 graduated in June, 5 of whom are teaching in our own school this fall, 3 have been teaching or are to teach in other schools and 2 are in the Hackett medical school in Canton.

By the kind gift of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions we have added a new building to the school. It consists of a roof resting on brick pillars giving a floor space of 35 by 45 feet, which will serve a twofold purpose, to connect two of the school buildings and add a drill and play ground that can be used in any kind of weather. Our grateful thanks go out to the donors, and we assure them we shall put the building to good use.

Former pupils and graduates of the school are scattered in many lands and various places. One is studying in Northfield, Mass., one is in Peking, one is in Ginling college, Nanking, and two others in a high school in the same city. Two are studying in Shanghai, one in Foochow, four in the Hackett medical college, Canton, one teaching and two studying in the Philippine Islands. Four are teaching in Singapore and two in Rangoon. Many are married and living in these and other places equally distant, such as Penang, Java, and other islands. A rough estimation gives 40 as scattered in these various places, besides nearly 50 others who this year have been teaching either in our own schools or in other schools in the Amoy region. Surely a great responsibility is ours and yours as well, that while they are still under our care we may lead these children and young women to Christ that He may use them to glorify His Name. We need your earnest prayer that this purpose may be accomplished.

Men's Evangelistic Work

The evangelistic work in Amoy district received distinct help from a visit of Dr. Eddy and from the inspiration given at the Tong-an conference. We quote Mr. DePree as follows: The results attained are not due to these stimuli altogether, but nevertheless the churches were greatly benefited in their work by these means. Some of these results are strikingly illustrated by the fact that the four churches on Amoy island raised during the year \$3,367 for pastors and preachers salaries and \$4,020 for benevolences.

TEK-CHHIU-KHA .

During the Eddy campaign the pastor of this church led 75 who had pledged themselves to study Christianity more fully. Four Bible classes were organized to look after them. Disturbed conditions of the country brought unrest to Amoy as well, and the classes ceased meeting regularly. With continuity broken some seem to have stopped altogether, although a number of the inquirers continue coming and new ones have been enrolled since the campaign. 27 adults were baptized and 5, baptized in infancy, received to communion. After allowing for deaths and losses the membership shows a net advance of 9 over last year.

SIN-KOE.

During most of the year the pastor was absent having gone to the Straits Settlements to try to raise a debt on the school buildings, said to be \$10,000. When he returned in November he had accomplished his intention, but the church had suffered during his eleven months' absence. Nevertheless 13 new members were received and baptized and 4 admitted to communion. The total membership was in spite of these gains reduced by death and removals to one less than last year. After the Eddy campaign a class of 40 enquirers began meeting each week in one of the business places, and it has continued its work. The church is in touch with some of the most promising people and if it follows up its opportunities it may report even better things later. Every Sunday a band of four to ten go out street preaching.

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

This is the last report of this institution, since during the year the three missions in Amoy have decided that it was best to discontinue the work here and make other arrangements for the preparation of men for the ministry. At the beginning of the year three new students entered, one being from our mission. Two last year's students from Swatow who had

been out a year, returned, making the total number ten. In the spring the students inaugurated a campaign for the relief of flood sufferers in Chihli province which brought in \$7,000. Each week some of the students went to the Kulangsu prison to speak to the prisoners and during the first half of the year they also conducted a Sunday School there. During the second term because of the large number of soldiers in Hope Hospital they went once each week to work amongst them, as the hospital preacher was unable to speak to these mandarin speaking patients. A class of five finished the course but only four received diplomas. Arrangements are made to send the five students in the two lower classes to Nanking to complete their course. In the Theological Seminary there a number of missions unite, and we hope the students may receive great benefit, since the teachers are not so much hampered by other work as was the case here.

Educational Work

We again quote Mr. DePree as follows:

"There are two kindergartens conducted by the Chinese churches, one at Sin-koe and one at Tek-chhiu-kha, with a total of 144 pupils. All the churches also manage their own boys' schools and in the case of the two larger churches a girls' school also. The O-kang church is the only one which receives a grant from the mission, the others all being self-supporting. The amounts contributed by the four churches for educational work, including the small fees received from the pupils, make a total of \$5,392. This added to the \$3,367 for pastors' salaries and the \$4,020 for benevolence makes a grand total of 12,779 Mexican Dollars for religious purposes contributed by the Chinese for the Chinese.

Last year 309 pupils were enrolled in these primary schools. In the desire to conduct a school with the help of a government grant, the school at Kio-thau has met with prohibition of Bible teaching in the school building and within

school hours. Such a situation has not arisen in any other school that received government help that we have heard of, but it presents a problem to the local elders that tests their Christian principles, and makes it necessary to manifest clearly how much they value the religious teaching our mission schools have always insisted upon."

KULANGSU BOYS' PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Mr. Weersing, in charge of this institution, opens his report with a statement recently made by a member of a visiting deputation, who said: "Schools, and especially primary schools, will be the principal means of evangelizing China." No finer praise could have been given the work accomplished by mission schools, nor any higher ideal put before us. Kulangsu Boys' Primary School has not forgotten that ideal during the past year. We thank God for an unusual outpouring of His spirit upon both teachers and pupils. The new principal, a young man graduated from Talmage only two years ago, has been untiring in his efforts through personal work to get all the older boys to make a definite decision to accept Christ. Three of the other teachers have also done good work and have shown a splendid spirit and desire to help in this most important function of the school. Needless to say, these same teachers have also done the best work in the classroom.

We have followed up and tried to conserve, during both semesters, the work of the Eddy campaign which took place in the early part of the year. Of the graduating class of 23 boys, 20 have been led to Christ and confess a belief in Him as their Saviour, and are showing commendable progress in Christian discipleship. Of the 20 who have made decisions 9 are from heathen families. Of the 3 who have not yet decided to become Christian, two are very hopeful cases and seem to be waiting only for family circumstances to change. Objections on the part of parents are a very serious obstacle to many boys who really are Christians at heart.

The next lower class has 20 members of whom 16 confess Christ. Below that no very strict personal canvass can be made because the boys are still too young; but the Christian atmosphere both in the classroom and on the playground is very good, and we consider that the example of persistent application of Christian principles to all conduct and action is by no means the smallest part of our opportunity. We have had a minimum of special meetings, but have laid emphasis upon quiet, persistent work with each individual. About 30 new decisions were made during the year.

It is also a matter of great gratification that the last non-Christian teacher on our staff signed a decision card at the Eddy meeting. He has taught in our school almost twelve years. At present he still seems to hold back from public confession, owing probably to parental objection, but we hope that he may soon have the courage of his convictions. Another of our teachers, a very clever young man who was a theological student but gave up his studies, and has since done little but show a spirit of bitterness and cynicism wherever he went, has turned over a new leaf this year. The Spirit of God is plainly at work in his heart, taking away the spirit of pride and criticism that he showed before. His work and his relations with pupils and other teachers show great improvement, and he is well on the way to becoming a "new creature."

Another feature of the year's work was a partial remodeling of the old building which belongs to the Mission, so as to provide an additional classroom, a makeshift for an assembly room (which we lacked entirely before), and also some bathrooms, a new stairway, additional blackboards, etc. A large part of this work was done by students during the winter vacation, ably assisted by the school coolie, who formerly was a mason. In this way we succeeded in doing for less than \$150, out of current funds, what would ordinarily have required a special appropriation of at least twice that amount.

While our up-country schools lost in enrollment during the second semester because people fled from their homes during the disturbances, the enrollment in Kulangsu Boys' Primary

was increased by the addition of about sixty of these refugees. This accounts for the fact that our enrollment during the first semester was 160, about normal, but during the second semester ran up to 210. The increase in fees, however, did not take care of the extra teaching required, so that we are having great difficulty with funds.

During the summer we conducted a small summer school for vocational work, largely as an experiment, teaching business subjects, cabinet making, and mechanical drawing. We were unable in the fall to continue the cabinet making, as contemplated, because of expense and the lack of space, but the mechanical drawing and commercial subjects are still being taught as an alternative to English in the upper classes. This is a type of work greatly needed in China. We are in dire need of funds for all these manifold purposes, better buildings, better equipment (I should say, rather, "some equipment," as we have practically none besides seats and desks), better sanitary arrangements, better teachers; again we need funds to institute courses in industrial work, better suited than scholastic education to the needs of the people. In this day of pouring out of millions, who will pour out for us?

HOPE AND WILHELMINA HOSPITALS.

Dr. Strick in his report of these hospitals also notices a satisfactory progress. The number of patients is not nearly as large as during the years just previous to the enlargement of the hospital, but there is a considerable increase over the preceding year. There has never been a year when we have had patients from such diverse and widely scattered places. We have had patients from twelve provinces of China exclusive of our own province, Fukien; these were mostly soldiers and sailors. During the fighting between the North and the South our hospital was crowded with sick and wounded soldiers. We were handicapped in not being able to speak the language of these men, but fortunately some of our Chinese assistants were able to converse with them. The students of the Theo-

logical College assisted us greatly in preaching to them in Mandarin.

Dr. Strick then gives twelve closely typed pages of carefully worked out statistics. These no doubt will appear in the Mission's statistical report. However, we give a few statements here:—The staff consisted of 2 foreign physicians, 1 foreign nurse and 2 native physicians. In all 10 students received medical instruction. The total of 1,023 in-patients (of whom 340 received surgical treatment), and 5,618 out-patients shows a great increase over last year.

The financial statement reveals the fact that we have been able to live within our income and to reduce our indebtedness by \$3,295.45. Our expenditures for medical and surgical supplies has been unusually light because we still had a large supply from the previous year. This item of expense will be much greater for 1919 than it has been for 1918.

During the last two years the Netherlands Committee has been unable to contribute to our work, except providing the salary of our nurse. For this we are truly grateful, because the services of Miss Murman are most valuable. She deserves the credit for the creditable appearance of the hospitals, and for saving expenditure especially in surgical supplies. She has exercised the strictest economy in the use of supplies. We hope that the Netherlands Committee may continue to support her. With the prospects of peace we hope that they may resume their previous financial support.

The religious work of the hospital has been carried on faithfully during the past year. As before we have had the services of Pastor Lim Po Tek and Preacher Poe in the men's wards and Mrs. Khng and Mrs. Phoa in the women's wards. Mrs. Snoke came and instructed the women frequently and Miss K. M. Talmage has been a great help at our clinics.

The administrative work of the hospital is in a transitional stage. The hospital board has been appointed, but hardly feels able to assume responsibility at present. There are numerous difficulties to be overcome, but we believe that by patient conscientious work all the problems will be solved.

TONG-AN DISTRICT

In this district are stationed the Misses Green and Beekman, Rev. and Mrs. L. A. Talman, and Rev. F. Eckerson; in October Rev. H. I. Todd was welcomed.

The conditions in this district have been going from bad to worse. The people have been so harassed by the bandits and southern soldiers levying both food and money, that thousands of them have fled and gone abroad. Every one says that the number can be reckoned by the tens of thousands. Anticipating something like this and relying on the promise of a man from Singapore, who said that he could get several thousands of dollars for relief work, a Relief Organization was at once planned. However, when the time came to use some of this money, it was not forthcoming and the organization fell through. If conditions do not improve soon in An-khoe the people who are left there will very likely be facing a famine.

One of the worst evils of the times is the reintroduction of opium growing. While the national laws against it still exist, farmers are hoping that the civil war will last four months more to allow them to gather a crop. They are risking the loss of whatever lawful crop they might have planted for the hope of the great profit there may be in opium at its present price.

The tragedy which closes the year's work was the burning, in December, of practically the whole of Sai-pi including our chapel; the incendiaries were Cantonese soldiers and bandits. One of the more promising of the hearers was killed at this time. The preacher lost all of his household goods and had to return to his former home on Chhoa-chhu-che. Naturally there is great distress in that region now.

Evangelistic Work

We quote from Mr. Talman's report the following:

HONG-SAN .

The pastor at Eng-te-thau has not distinguished himself by his courage in these last few months. However, these have been hard times and doubtless there is some excuse for his timidity. One of the deacons of this church has been in jail in Tong-an on an unfounded and unproved charge. Fortunately he is now liberated, but he did not gain his freedom without paying something for his board. A Bible woman is doing faithful work among the "sisters" here. There is also a school taught by one of our Christian teachers.

CHHENG-KHE CHURCH.

The trouble that was begun by some rowdies at Poa-nia was finally settled with the help of a rich man who was at one time known as a bitter enemy of the church. The work there has been greatly handicapped, because the preacher left in August to join the southern forces. The church people have had a little school of their own that was started at Ng-peh. We sent our better colporteur and his wife there and from the reports that have come they have been doing splendid work. Two men from there are ready for church-membership.

Chhoa-chhu-che has suffered considerably from bandits and southern soldiers, but good work has been done there. The boys' school has been so successful that we will have to give them an auxiliary teacher next year. The girls' school has also done very well but has been handicapped because only day pupils could be received. The preacher has continued doing excellent work and will soon be able to take an examination and become the pastor of the Chheng-khe church.

TONG-AN CHURCH.

The pastor has been doing good work and things are quite encouraging. In many respects one can see improvements. There has been a marked increase here of new hearers since the war in the summer.

The work at Au-ho-a was set back considerably by the trouble in the summer, but then everything else up here was too. The old pastor returned in the fall and the work there continues to be well taken care of. Good audiences are the order of the day both Sundays and prayer-meeting nights.

For the greater part of the year there has been no preacher at Chioh-jim but the teacher there assisted by an earnest young Christian has held Sunday services very regularly. For some time now there has been a Bible woman staying there and she has done very good work in visiting among the women and teaching them to read. The school which we help with a monthly allowance seems to have had a fairly successful year.

Educational Work.

LIVINGSTONE EASTER SCHOOL.

In August the school was attacked by a company of soldiers, who bombarded it. As the soldiers were well covered behind a high wall, most of the bullets missed the lower stories, but the roofs and upper stories were all hit. The west wing of the main building got it worst. Through the screens of its two windows went 45 bullets, which pierced the partition at the back of these rooms with as many holes, and left 45 holes in the rear wall. In their flight a dozen or so scratched the ceiling and side walls. Forty panes of glass were broken. The nice plaster cornice which bands the buildings between its first and second stories was broken in many places. The flag-staff from which was floating the Stars and Stripes got eleven bullets. The bombardment lasted from 10 a. m. to 4 p. m. No one knows the reason for it. The buildings though damaged considerably were not hurt nearly as seriously as

we had been led to expect. From a distance one would not be apt to notice anything at all out of the ordinary. It is only by closer inspection that the battle scars become visible.

The work in the school has been well taken care of during the year. The reduced enrollment of pupils from 220 the first term to 130 the second term has of course cut down to some extent the amount of tuition fees received. The report closes with the statement that "we face the task of leading in the social and economic reconstruction of this district as well as maintaining our Christian propaganda and our Christian education."

TONG-AN GIRLS' SCHOOL.

During the spring of 1918, Miss Beekman writes, the Tong-an Girls' School had its largest enrollment on record, with 82 scholars, 74 boarding and 8 day. We were able to accommodate that many because of the erection of a second story over the former kitchen, thus giving additional room for dormitory. Even so, there was not much sleeping space to spare for 28 beds had to accommodate all of the 74 children!

In June our highest class graduated from our school and all three girls continued their studies in Amoy.

Due to the unsettled conditions resulting from the civil war this summer, and the fear that hostilities might recommence at any time, we did not dare open the school the time we had planned. The children who had taken refuge in the school had some lessons in the morning, though, and since nearly all the highest class were among these refugees, the first week in November we started that class on its regular work. Soon the chances of further fighting here seemed less likely and on November 19th we reopened the school. It was only because of this late opening that we were able to pull through the year without a deficit. The fall term we had only 54 pupils, 11 of them day scholars, and of those, 4 left in the middle of the term, and one day pupil from a heathen family died of influenza. Hardly anyone in the school escaped having influenza which swept through the

whole country-side. At one time so many of the teachers and pupils were down with it at once that we had to stop all work for three days. With that one exception all made a good recovery.

Another result of the war has been a decrease in the boarding fees. Many families are destitute and if we did not take the children into school for almost nothing, they would go cold and hungry this winter. So we are caring for Christ's "little ones," and through them and the teaching they receive in school are hoping to win their parents also for Christ.

TONG-AN WOMEN'S SCHOOL.

Miss Green, in charge of this school, writes as follows:

"The school is still enjoying the competent leadership of good Mrs. Li who is cheerfully assisted by Chhoa-ti-che. With their aid we ended the year without the quarrels which often result when so many women get together.

We opened the spring term with an enrollment of twenty-four women, one of whom is studying to become a Bible woman. Among the others have been many earnest "sisters" who have studied diligently to gain a knowledge of the Scriptures. Several of them have been young women, hence more adaptable.

The war broke out during the summer and our school buildings became a refuge for the hard-pressed and fearful women of the neighborhood. The kindly assistance rendered at that time of grave danger has given the schools a fragrance in the community which greatly increases their usefulness. Because of the fighting and ravaging and plundering of the soldiers it was unsafe to reopen the women's school until late in the term, but we held regular reading classes with the refugee women before the formal opening and started a number of women on their way towards learning.

On the 19th of November we reopened the school with an enrollment of seventeen. Of course, five are destitute, and are earning their food fee by working for us every afternoon. Their mornings are spent in study. We have been procuring

various kinds of work for them to do to keep them busy. This fall we have had several women who have come in as day pupils, among them the wife of one of the literati, whose husband looks down upon our type of learning. This woman is keen to learn and studies most diligently. She hopes to become a Bible woman and if she develops according to her present promise we shall be very glad to have her prepare to become one. The greatest good that we can do in the woman's school is, of course, to prepare workers who will in turn spread abroad the Glad Tidings."

EVANGELISTIC WORK FOR WOMEN.

Of this work Miss Beekman writes the following;

"The hardships of the civil war during the summer have yet had this one good result, that the heathen, seeing the marvelous way in which God protected His people, are anxious to know more about this God. Our compounds and schools were places of refuge during the fighting for scores of women and children, and so we now have many new homes where we are welcomed and many new opportunities for getting next to the people. After the war our churches were crowded and the church women had their hands most blessedly full teaching these new inquirers. Many of them immediately began to learn to read the Romanized primer and some of them have come to our schools this last term.

Not only the Bible women have been going about in the homes of the people telling the glad tidings, but we are glad to say that some of the church women have also seen their duty along this line. But even with all this help, many of the doors opened to us cannot be adequately entered. The follow-up work which is so essential gets crowded out by other duties, and so many who might be brought to a fuller knowledge, do not get beyond the first stages."

REPETITIONS

After reading all the individual reports, we note several expressions which return again and again. These expressions

are relative to the "great opportunities" too many to do justice to adequately. The word "increased" was repeated so often that it takes the most prominent place in several reports in order to show the steady growth; this is especially true of our institutional work. Practically every one uses words of thanksgiving, and the counterpart to this, words of prayer. Many felt keenly the lack of funds; of some institutions the 1918 appropriation had to be reduced 48 per cent.; some schools are almost entirely destitute of the needed equipment. Again, we can not repeat all the calls, the supplications, the reasons for more workers; if we should rewrite all the requests for more workers this report would almost be half as long again. Let us rather draw attention to the union of the London Mission Church with the Presbyterian Synod in Amoy.

UNION.

There are at present three large mission bodies working in Amoy, which have been responsible for much good work among the Chinese; they all organized churches and built chapels. Some half century ago the English Presbyterian and our own mission decided that their Chinese churches should all form one Synod, one, not two. For many years missions all over China have pointed to Amoy as an example where two missions built up one Christian church. Nevertheless a third mission body organized a separate Chinese church governed along Congregational principles. Last summer a large conference was held in Nanking to bring about the union of all the Presbyterian bodies, so that they should all work for one Chinese church, and form one Chinese church. During this conference overtures were received from the Congregational missions asking whether their Chinese churches also could enter into this union. This question is waiting a decision. In Amoy, however, the churches have made an independent decision, the Congregational church and the Presbyterian Synod having each appointed a committee with powers to act in order to bring about the final arrangements for union. This makes the union practically an accomplished fact, since the

only thing needed is a number of formalities, whereas all the legal actions have been passed. The significance of this union is very great, since it prevents the entrance into the Chinese church of much of the old European church divisions; it makes for a closer co-operation and mutual service, and allies the smaller branches of the work with the larger movements.

CONCLUSION.

In closing, while offering this small survey of an ever increasing, steadily growing work with ever growing needs, we pray that the church at home may realize the urgency of these needs, and may support the Board in greatly extending the scope and efficiency of our work. The opportunities are unlimited, the work is calling, the Native Church is suffering for lack of leaders. In this day of pouring out of millions, who will pour out for us?

THE ARCOT MISSION, INDIA

The Mission occupies:

			Sq. Miles.	Popula- tion.
<i>In the Chittoor District,</i>	5 Taluqs (Counties) and parts of 2 others		4,104	805,991
“ <i>North Arcot District,</i>	7 “ “ “ part of 1 other		2,816	1,289,935
“ <i>South Arcot District,</i>	2 “ “ “ “ “ 1 “		1,017	529,669
“ <i>Mysore State,</i>	1 “ “ “ “ “ 1 “		340	75,788
Total 15 Taluqs (Counties)			8,277	2,701,393

Languages.—1,600,700, Tamil; 950,000, Telugu; 150,600, Hindustani; Kanarese, etc.

Missionaries.—*Arni*: No missionary resident. *Chittoor*: Mrs. J. A. Beattie, Miss Clara M. Coburn. *Katpadi*: Mr. W. H. Farrar. *Madanapalle*: Miss L. H. Hart, M.D., Miss J. V. Te Winkel, Rev. J. H. Warnshuis, Mr. J. D. Muyskens, Rev. J. C. Van Wyk. *Palmaner*: Miss J. C. Scudder. *Punganur*: No missionary resident. *Ranipettai*: Rev. E. C. Scudder, Miss A. B. Van Doren, Miss S. Te Winkel, Miss. Charlotte Wyckoff, Mrs. L. Honegger. *Tindivanam*: Rev. W. T. Scudder, Mr. C. R. Wierenga, Rev. H. E. Van Vranken, Miss Wilhelmina Noordyk. *Vellore*: Mrs. S. W. Scudder, Rev. L. R. Scudder, M.D., Miss Ida S. Scudder, M.D., Miss Annie E. Hancock, Miss D. M. Houghton, Rev. L. Hekhuis, Miss Gertrude Dodd, Miss Durick.

Associate Missionaries.—Mrs. L. R. Scudder, Mrs. W. H. Farrar, Mrs. L. Hekhuis, Mrs. H. E. Van Vranken, Mrs. W. T. Scudder, M.D., Mrs. J. H. Warnshuis, M.D., Mrs. J. C. Van Wyk.

In America.—Rev. and Mrs. B. Rottschaefer, Dr. and Mrs. B. W. Roy (retired), Miss E. W. Conklin, Miss M. Rottschaefer.

Native Helpers.—Ordained Ministers, 19. Other helpers: men, 374; women, 227. Total, 620.

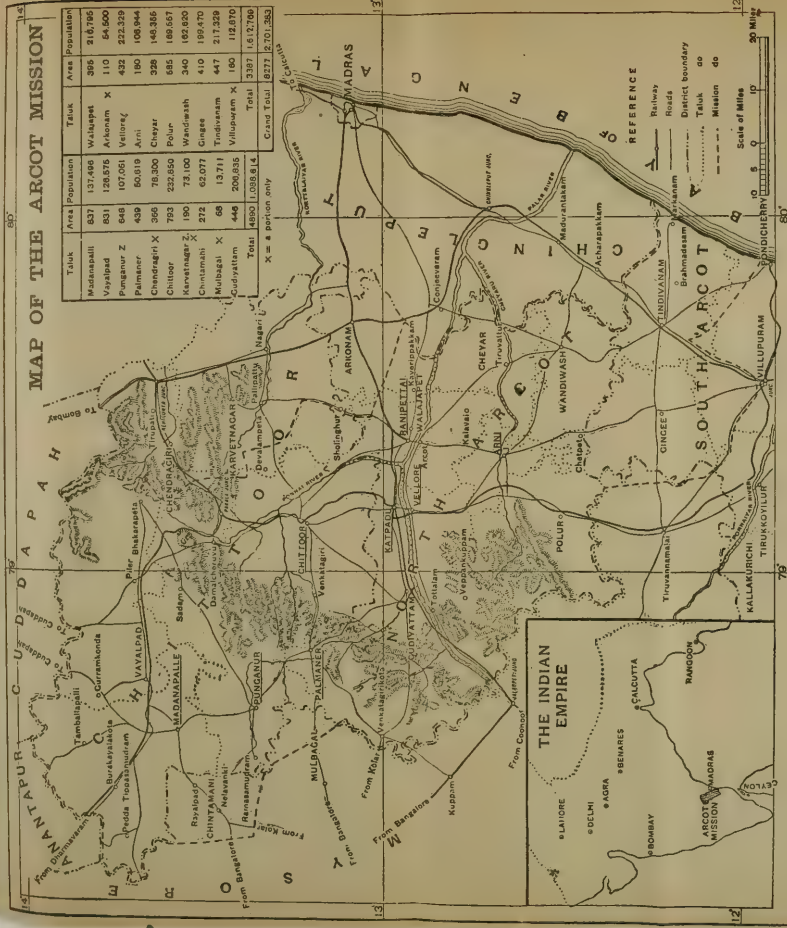
Boarding Schools.—Boys', 8, Scholars, 434; Girls', 4, Scholars, 357; Theological School, 1, Students, 11, Day Schools, 217, Scholars, 10,299; Total Schools, 230; Scholars, 11,101.

Hospitals and Dispensaries, 9. Patients treated, 90,172.

MAP OF THE ARCOT MISSION

Taluk	Area	Population	Taluk	Area	Population
Madanapalli	837	137,496	Walajpet	395	216,796
Vayalpad	831	128,575	Arkonam	110	54,500
Punganur Z	648	107,051	Vellore	432	222,329
Palmaner	439	50,619	Arni	180	108,944

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REPORT FOR 1918

INTRODUCTION

A review of the year 1918 must of necessity take on a somber hue. The field in which we labor, along with the whole of India, has felt the effect of war conditions very keenly and the succession of trying circumstances that have visited us as a Mission has been a very vivid part of the life and experience of all the workers, and appears very prominently in the reports from all the stations. The prices of food and clothing which had already mounted very high last year, continued to rise till they reached a figure higher than that quoted in the great famine of '78. Added to this the rains of July and August which supply the necessary water for the development of the "dry crops," that form the staple food of most of the poor people, failed altogether over the greater part of the Mission area. The effect was felt almost at once in the appearance of cholera here and there, and the further increase in prices. Then followed the awful epidemic of influenza, which India has shared with the other nations of the world. Thousands of people died of the disease and doubtless many more died than otherwise would, had they not been so weakened by the previous scarcity. In our own area many of our Christians died and some of our most valued workers were called away from our midst leaving vacancies that will be hard to fill. Before this had subsided cholera appeared again and once more there was anxiety, sickness, death and sorrow in many places. And then worst of all, the heavy main monsoon of October failed over the whole of our area except the Tindivanam field and we close the year facing an unprecedented condition of scarcity and want that fills us with the gravest anxiety.

Our Missionary force has not been free from some of these things. The epidemic was especially severe in Madanapalle and

one of our number, Miss Durick, was so ill with pneumonia that for some days her life was despaired of. She recovered, however, but was obliged to leave for home as soon as possible after her strength had returned, in order that she might recuperate fully. In so doing, however, she anticipated her regular furlough by only a few months.

Early in the year Rev. J. H. Warnshuis found it necessary to go to the hills on account of an illness that seemed to be of an obscure nature. A stay of several months there relieved him somewhat, but after his return to the plains he was obliged to submit to an operation, and as the relief from this was not equivalent to a full restoration to health, he and his family left India on medical certificate in December for their furlough in America.

Early in the year the doctors, after an examination of Mrs. W. T. Scudder, rendered a decision that she should spend eight months on the hills, and in case she did not show enough improvement, go home. It gives us great pleasure to say that her stay on the hills greatly benefited her and that since her return she has been able to do a very great deal in connection with the medical work of the station, and at the time of the epidemic she was able to render fine service to the afflicted ones.

Mr. Muyskens left for home also in December, after a very happy and successful four years as principal of the Hope High School at Madanapalle.

Miss Elsie Conklin left us in March for a short furlough and at the same time Dr. and Mrs. Roy and family left for their regular furlough after a term of active service in the Ranipettai hospital.

Rev. B. Rottschaefer with Mrs. Rottschaefer and three children left in June for America on furlough after an active term of service in charge of the Madanapalle station and later as manager of the Industrial School at Katpadi.

Mr. and Mrs. Farrar returned from furlough early in January and took up their residence again in Katpadi.

We were glad to welcome back also from furlough in December, the Misses Josephine and Sarella Te Winkel, who found a hearty welcome and plenty of opportunity for service ready for them. The former had hardly settled in her home in Madanapalle before she was stricken down with cholera, from which, however, she happily recovered.

We were glad to welcome as a new recruit, Miss Clara M. Coburn who came with the Misses Te Winkel, and she has taken up her residence in Chittoor for language study.

The Mission has to record in its report for 1918 the death of three of its members. All of them were called Home after long periods of severe and trying illness, patiently borne.

Mrs. J. H. Wyckoff was born in India and after her education in America spent several years in active missionary work in connection with the Madura Mission. She was married to Dr. J. H. Wyckoff of the Arcot Mission in 1892, and shared with him the strenuous life of a station missionary for many years. She was very proficient in the use of the Tamil language, and fully devoted to the cause of India's evangelization. After Dr. Wyckoff became the professor of theology in the Theological Seminary she conducted with great success a very popular class for women which did much good in bringing to the wives of the helpers the truths of the gospel which they were trained to teach to others. She died in Kodaikanal on January 17th.

Mrs. E. C. Scudder came to India in 1890, and was very efficient in the work of helping her husband in organizing and carrying on the Industrial School and the work of the Arni station. She was acquainted with two languages and was especially interested in work for young school boys, in which she and her husband had conspicuous success. In later years she was hampered by weakness and infirmity but never lost interest in the work going on about her, and tried to do all she could to help in every way possible. She passed away very suddenly at Ranipettai on April 16th.

Mrs. Van Doren came to India several years ago in company with her daughter. Although she was not a regular appointee

of the Board, she always took an active interest in all the work that her daughter did, and by taking the responsibility of the household and its many cares upon herself, she was able to help her daughter greatly. She, too, was in extreme weakness during a long period, and for her the Home call meant glad release. She passed away at Madanapalle on December 19th.

POLITICAL CONDITIONS.

As a Mission we do not enter much into politics but as adopted citizens of the Empire we cannot help but watch its progress with interest. The Home Rule sentiment has not grown very appreciably stronger but the agitation has continued as before. The reforms that were prepared by the delegates appointed by the home government were made known during the year and criticism was evidently invited and desired; at any rate, there was plenty of criticism forthcoming. The sudden termination of the war has brought the whole country face to face with the future, and the question of what is to be is now attracting everyone's interest. That India will have a place in the Empire larger than it had before, is without question. The unstinted praise that came from all directions regarding the bravery of the Indian troops and the large and noble part that they took in the winning of the war, make it evident that India has won a place in the heart of the Motherland that will not soon be lost. But the fact that the party which desires and claims more part in the government of the land has made almost no sacrifice in the war, may make some difference in the kind of reform that is established. Our own Christian community was well and nobly represented at the front, both among those who fought and those who did less strenuous work. From the Arcot Theological Seminary, Hope High School, Voorhees College and the Tindivanam High School, as well as from many of our village congregations, recruits offered themselves for various branches of war work. The testimony of those who are now returning proves that

there was among the troops from India no failure in bravery and no shrinking from risk and suffering.

INFLUENZA.

This word occurs very frequently throughout this report but it has made itself of such importance as to require also a separate paragraph. It was regarded in many places as a visitation of a god or goddess to which they gave a separate name. In many places the trees near to villages where the disease was raging were hung full of old baskets, dustpans, tattered rags and all sorts of junk. The idea seemed to be that the goddess would see these and think the village hardly worth while entering. In some places little carts were made and a wooden image placed in them was drawn outside the village and left beside the road surrounded by many pots and various things to appease the spirit. In some cases there seem to have been sacrifices made also near to where the little carts were left. In Madanapalle many of the Hindus placed the sacred "namam," or caste mark on the door of the house, thinking that in such houses the goddess would not enter. It was a striking fact in that town that in those houses where the mark was so placed there was almost universal suffering from the disease, in some cases whole families being stricken at once, while in those houses that were without the mark the force of the disease was much less severe, especially in the houses of the Christians. Even the Hindus noticed this and have been assailed.

WORK FOR MEN AND BOYS.

It is our plan in this report to present the work in two divisions: 1. Work for Men and Boys and, 2. Work for Women and Girls. The line of division cannot, of course, be drawn absolutely, as the work overlaps here and there.

Our largest single piece of work under the first head is the Voorhees College at Vellore.

VOORHEES COLLEGE, VELLORE.

The Principal, Rev. L. Hekhuis, gives a brief account of the work of the Institution for the year as follows:

"The outstanding event of the year was the visit of His Excellency, Lord Pentland, Governor of Madras, on the 12th of August, when the Cobb Memorial Hall was formally opened. Arriving at 7.30 in the morning, he spent an hour in the inspection of the building and in delivering the address of dedication. It will not be out of place to quote briefly the compliment he paid the American Arcot Mission when he said:—"The greater the difficulties, the greater the enthusiasm with which they approach an undertaking. So far from daunting or discouraging them, impediments and hindrances merely add to their zest of final success. I am confident that this addition to the Voorhees College not merely as a material fabric but as a center of learning and a training ground of God-fearing and enlightened citizens will justify the hopes to which expression has been given. The Arcot Mission represents to the people of this district the highest and noblest ideals of the great nation to which its members belong. And I feel sure that all the friends of the Mission have felt a special interest in the recent accounts of the irresistible courage and resolution of the American armies now fighting on the Western front. At the first test the young armies of the United States have established their claim to rank with the war-tried veterans of Europe and I would assure their kinsmen here today that we appreciate and share the pride which they must feel that great as is the debt which civilization and humanity owe to their country no less great is her determination to resist the menace by which they have been assailed.

During the year under review all the activities of the College have prospered. The enrollment this year has been 1,159, a gain of 60 over last year's enrollment, and the work in all the classes has been good and our results in the public examinations were very gratifying. In the High School final examination, 24 passed the Government examination and 6 completed

their certificates, making a percentage of 43 as against the Presidency average of 28. In the Intermediate University Examination, out of 48 students sent up 13 passed completely and 11 in certain parts, making a percentage of about 37 as against the Presidency average of 28. A substantial increase in the grant from Government is a testimony to the Department's approval.

Again we gladly remark upon the co-operation and good will of the staff amid the many minor difficulties common in such a large institution and the unavoidable delays that are sometimes experienced. Although the epidemic of influenza laid hold on nearly every member of the staff, the return to work as soon as strength permitted has enabled us to continue school though the large majority of schools had to close. Also we have great reason to be sincerely grateful that as far as we can trace, but one of the cases of illness among students has resulted fatally. There have been two instances of prolonged illness among members of the staff but both are recovering.

We are pleased to announce that a Boy Scout troop, the first in Vellore, has been started, and that the boys are taking to it with a great deal of zest. It is hoped that with the opening of the next school year we shall be able to have at least 75 boys enrolled as tenderfoot scouts. We find that it makes the boys more energetic and brings out the best that is in them.

The Y. M. C. A. of the College and the C. E. Society that are connected with the Hostel have been doing good work during the past year. The religious life of the school has deepened and the classes of inquirers both at the bungalow and under the care of one of the masters have been regular. Some of the young men who have passed out of the Institution and are attending other schools speak of their continued interest in the life of Christ. The visits of Rev. Stanley Jones gripped the boys and his forceful presentation of the Christ has remained with them. The Bible classes continue to be interesting and problems of vital issue often come up for consideration. We feel that though there are not the open confessions on the

part of students, the large majority of whom are of high caste, their lives cannot be the same after having come face to face with Him.

In the Christian Hostel of the College there are seven students and they are the young men who, amid the large majority of Hindu students in the class, are preparing themselves for their life work, but at the same time are living witnesses for Christ. One can think of no more powerful testimony of one's faith than standing amid such difficulties, for often coming from circumstances far inferior financially and socially than their classmates, they have their battles to fight. Yet last year five out of six were promoted and we have hope that they may be able to complete at least part of their examination this year. We feel that the accommodations in which they are housed are altogether inadequate and long for the time when we can see our way clear to building the College Hostel."

HOPE HIGH SCHOOL, MADANAPALLE.

Mr. Muyskens, the Principal, makes the following report:—"The same high standard of work has been continued in spite of the tremendous handicaps suffered during the latter part of the year, due to influenza, pneumonia, cholera, recruiting, peace celebrations, etc. The staff has been very loyal and has co-operated very willingly with the management in all its plans.

The school year has been exceedingly peaceful in the sense that not one difficulty with regard to discipline has arisen; the very opposite of peaceful in the sense that no period of the year has been allowed to become dull. With programs of athletic events, literary contests and social gatherings for the staff as well as for the students, the school life has had a zest often sadly lacking in Indian schools. The teachers have entered into a more friendly relationship with the boys and have taken part in at least three athletic events.

The aid received from Government was Rs. 2,988, the largest amount ever received. The fee income for the year is

about Rs. 4,000, seven hundred more than our previous record. The attendance has hovered around the 300 mark, a number which we can comfortably handle without overcrowding. The Hostel boys have finally moved into their new quarters and are now for the first time comfortably housed."

TINDIVANAM HIGH SCHOOL.

Mr. C. R. Wierenga, who came to Tindivanam at the beginning of 1918 to take charge of the High School there, writes concerning the work:

"In our teaching and general educational work this year we have scored fairly good results. In the school final examinations we gained a percentage of passes of nearly 25 per cent. This to be sure is not ideal and in our striving this year we have set for ourselves a much higher percentage; but as things go in India, it is far from bad, being equal to the Presidency average. The attendance, notwithstanding the opening of the new High School Department at Villupuram, a neighboring village, has been beyond expectation. At the opening of school in July, our 4th and 6th forms were filled to the very limit, while the 5th form was somewhat less well attended. This is perhaps best explained by the fact that, with a view to strengthening our general educational standards, we were somewhat more strict in our promotions in July than had hitherto been the case.

But no sooner had we started than the Government in late July and early August began to offer large inducements for overseas clerkships and a general exodus of teachers and students followed. Three teachers of the lower school left us and five of the 6th form students as well. Then came the terrible influenza epidemic. The pathetic deaths of some of the boys cut to the very quick. Teachers and pupils were stricken to such an extent that school had to be closed for some time and when we were finally enabled to open doors once more, it was for the first week or two with from one-third to one-half of our regular attendance. Even to the end of the year

this was not fully recovered, both because of this scourge and the severe attacks of cholera which followed it. Our highest form was especially hard hit so that out of the original 40 there were only 29 at the end of the year. But the courage of the staff is undaunted and I have great hopes that this year will see a higher percentage of passes in the graduating class.

During the year the literary associations held their regular meetings, a new historical association was formed, and several dramatic scenes from King Lear would have been presented to the public had not the fever cut us short. Almost 200 volumes of books have been added to the library. Games, new and old, Indian and European, have flourished. The boys play baseball and basketball like veterans and enjoy especially the latter more than any of their own games. I must not forget to mention that in co-operation with the work of Mr. Scudder and a great many of our city Hindu and Mohammedan friends, we managed a day of sports in celebration of the armistice. Many of the boys worked strenuously to make this a success and the people in the town contributed to pay for the prizes.

The necessity for new buildings is immediate. Our thatched sheds and even the other buildings are continually undergoing repairs and the sums of money expended in this way annually are far from small. Most of this recurring expenditure, if not all, might easily be saved by the erection of a new school home. The other buildings and sheds would supply us with much needed floor space and covering for various school purposes that we now entirely lack. Moreover, the standards of education in India are fast changing. Far better school houses, equipment and instruction are demanded now than some years back and unless we meet these conditions our reputation and the school's must suffer. For a long time Tindivanam was without competition. Now it has come and we must meet it squarely. If we do not, the inevitable will happen and then we shall be the losers. It is, therefore, my sincere hope and prayer that the attempt of Mr. Rottschaefer

at home to secure the necessary funds will meet with a hearty response and that soon Tindivanam may be able to show a school building of which we need not be ashamed, comparing favorably with the buildings at our other educational centers.

One of the ways in which the growth of our Christian Community is manifested is in the large number of applicants to our Christian Hostels. We have this year increased the number of boarders to 107, or 17 more than our accommodations adequately provide for, but still many have to be turned away.

The interest these boys take in their religious activities, in the Sunday schools, both as teachers and pupils, the Christian Endeavor, evangelistic work, and in other forms of activity in the kingdom at times overwhelms one with amazement and makes him wonder what with the additional light at home in America the young people there might not do were they to apply an equal amount of zest and enthusiasm."

ARNI ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.

Rev. E. C. Scudder, the manager of the Boy's Elementary and Boarding School at Arni, says that there has been some difficulty in the work of the school owing to so many unforeseen changes in the staff. The whole staff had to be removed and all the vacant places were not filled until August of this year. Furthermore, influenza prostrated 75 out of the 80 boys. We are thankful that none of them died. The discipline in this hostel has been excellent and there is a fine spirit of loyalty to Mission and school.

The Suriakulam school in Arni moved into its new building during the year and is enjoying it greatly. It is a great improvement over the old small quarters previously occupied. One of the teachers in this school and also a number of the pupils fell victims to the influenza.

ARCOT THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

In reviewing the work of the Arcot Theological Seminary, Vellore, Dr. L. R. Scudder reports:

"The end of this year sees the Seminary reduced to only nine students as compared with 34 last year. In July we graduated a class of seven after three years of study. The class was a very good one and has done faithful, conscientious work. A number of the young men, most of whom have entered the Normal School for further training, bid fair to make successful workers in the Mission. A lay class of 8 students also completed a year's course of study.

The new class was a very small one indeed. Three joined the class, one of whom was from the United Free Church Mission, but one of them was found to be unable to do the work and was allowed to retire leaving only two in the class. Then in August the Government made a call for a large number of young men to be trained as clerks for overseas work and offered them very good prospects in the way of salary and allowances. This attracted the attention of a number of the students of the senior and lower middle classes. After some consideration we decided to allow all who cared to do so to apply for this service, where they would have a chance to help their country at this time of crisis. They all said it was only a temporary engagement and promised to return and continue their studies and complete their preparation for work in Christ's Kingdom. Nine left the Seminary to join this work. Some may come back and complete their course, but I feel it is more probable that most of them will not. If they do not, we hope they will make good in serving their King and country and find later on spheres of work in which they can exert a strong influence for Christ. If they do come back they will have had a training that will stand them in good stead and make them much more useful as Christian workers.

This exodus naturally upset our work. Soon after this disturbance, the influenza epidemic came and again our work

was seriously interfered with. Students were taken down with the disease and work had to be entirely suspended for about three weeks. Though several were seriously ill, all have recovered. In the month of September all of the students went out for an evangelistic tour among our Christian villages under the leadership of Mr. Isaac Jothinayakam in connection with the special week of evangelism observed throughout our Western circle. They took up for special study during the tour, Rev. B. C. Sirkar's little book, "Fishers of Men," and the whole tour was made an intensive training in the methods of personal work. The week was, I believe, most effective in training them to become earnest soul winners. They all came back to their work with a new vision and a new zest for their studies. The students under the leadership of their teachers have continued to do evangelistic campaign work week after week in the villages assigned them. A few have been brought to Christ, but the village of Agraharam has continued to resist our efforts. We believe we must eventually secure a footing there, and are studying carefully how this may be done. It is this practical work that will, we believe, give to all of our students a great desire to bring others to Christ and show them how best to do it."

KATPADI INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

"The Industrial School at Katpadi has had a very busy year. It has been obliged to pass through the experience of having two managers, as Rev. B. Rottschaefer left for his furlough in June and the work came temporarily into the hands of Mr. Farrar. The task of preparing the material for the several new buildings that are being built in the Mission bounds and also of providing large quantities of furniture for them, has, along with other orders, kept the workmen and the machinery more than busy. The teaching side of the school has not done so well for the reason that even the beginners had to be put into the work of helping in the filling of the orders. The Technical Examinations in November and December registered the largest number that ever was known here.

The examinations continued for several weeks and covered a wide range of grades and subjects.

The boys of the Hostel were exceptionally well this year except for the occasional minor ailments and rejoiced greatly in the providential care that so preserved them during the influenza epidemic that not one single case of the disease occurred.

The work of the Sunday School and the Christian Endeavor Society maintained by the boys of the Industrial School has been carried on with a good deal of earnestness and it is through these that the lads receive their vision of things spiritual and their interest in work for others. This is the most important part of the work in the Industrial School; for to boys who work all day in the shop there is less time and chance for the development of the spirit life and so we have tried to emphasize this phase of the work and the boys respond to it."

THE RANIPETTAI HOSPITAL.

This Institution is doing a very important work in ministering to the needs of both men and women in that part of the district. In March Dr. and Mrs. Roy left for furlough, and the work of the hospital came upon the shoulders of our Sub-Assistant Surgeon, Mr. R. P. Nathaniel. It was rather a large responsibility to put upon him, we thought, but he has done excellent work and quite justified our confidence in him. In his report he says that in spite of the absence of a doctor from America, the hospital has been able to treat more cases than last year and did very good service during the influenza epidemic. Although there were a good many attacks of the disease, some of them serious, there have been very few deaths. It became noised abroad that our treatment was effective and there was such a demand for our medicines that we disposed of an 18 months' stock in 9 months. There have been fewer major operations this year owing to the absence of a doctor, but the receipts have been larger than we had any reason to expect they would be. The evangelistic work of the

hospital is done by a compounder for the men and by two Bible women for the women patients, and there is a Sunday School for the staff and the patients in which Mr. Nathaniel and the compounder and Bible women teach classes. In this work Mrs. Honegger also gives valuable aid.

THE KATPADI CONFERENCE.

In August, 1918, over a thousand of the Christians of the Arcot Mission made their pilgrimage by train, bullock cart, jutka and on foot to the Industrial School compound in Katpadi. There they camped in tents and booths like the Jews at the feast of tabernacles, and settled down to enjoy the five days of the great annual conference. Before daylight the great encampment was alive, cooking over camp-fires, chatting or singing. At 7.30 the bell called every one to his Bible study class and in a few minutes the company had separated into groups of 15 or 20, according to age, sex, or language, which sat in school rooms, verandahs, tents and under every shady tree. The leaders, missionaries, pastors and the best fitted men and women of their community met daily in a preparation class led by Miss Van Doren, the chairman of the Bible Study Committee. The subject studied by all was the call to service as exemplified in the lives of Moses, Isaiah and Paul. Many a man, woman and child received his own call to service in those earnest discussions. When the bell rang again at 8.30 the company dissolved itself in kaleidescopic fashion into ten larger groups, according to inclination, for an hour of study along the line of Missions and social service. There were classes for women on hygiene and the care of children; a class for men teachers on work with boys, and classes for both men and women on David Livingstone, John D. Paton, personal work, Sunday School methods, history of the Christian Church, history of Indian Missions and social service in Indian towns and villages. These special classes were led by missionaries and pastors for the most part and brought wider vision to those whose lives are narrow and shut away from all that serves to keep one mentally and spiritually alive.

At ten o'clock, at three o'clock and at eight o'clock the mammoth assembly tent was filled for the general meetings of the day. The chief speakers this year were Mr. Popley and Sadhu Sundra Singh. Mr. Popley with his fluent Tamil, his vivid illustrations, his fiddle and his many apt lyrics held the great audience entranced for long stretches of time and roused all that was best in even the the most lukewarm of the Christians present. But the central figure of the Conference in the minds of all the Indians was the Christian "sanyasi" Sundra Singh. He made an impressive figure as he stood upon the platform in his long yellow robes. His face is grave but young and full of spiritual force. He spoke in his own language, Hindustani, which doubtless lost much of its force through interpretation. He told wonderful stories of his own conversion, his wanderings and his persecutions, in illustration of his sermon. His talks were simple but made a profound impression upon the Indians who regard him with all the reverence which generally falls to an ascetic in India. Of the other speakers and sermons we have not time to tell. These general meetings supplemented by the group study of the morning awoke an intensified new purpose and enthusiasm in us all.

Between the afternoon and evening meetings an hour was set apart for sports. While the boys played football and volley ball on one side of the compound, the girls played various lighter games on the other side and the older folks looked on, some with admiration, some with wonder and some with disapproval at this innovation. The social side of the Conference is one of its most valuable features, not only in the games but in the contact with camp life where there come new friendships, a deepening of old friendships and a general widening of vision and lessening of old prejudices. One of the most thrilling hours of the conference was the hour on Sunday when the vast body of Christians partook together of the communion. All the lonely, discouraged workers in small and hidden corners could feel in that hour and in that gathering the power of Christian fellowship. Then there was the more informal and personal fellowship within the different

delegations when missionaries and teachers came into closer touch with their students by living or associating with them. When the morning of departure came one school girl voiced the thoughts of many when she quoted, "It is good for us to be here. Let us build three tabernacles and stay." Most of us went away after those five days of closer communion and fellowship with Christ and our fellow Christians with strength, power and insight to face the hard or lonely days to come.

INDIAN CHURCH BOARD

Judged from every standpoint, the work for the past year has been the most successful in the history of our Indian Church Board and also, I believe, the history of our Arcot Mission. That is saying a good deal, but I believe you will agree with me that the following pages abundantly substantiate that statement.

In last year's report the following sentences occur. "This is the third year of the Evangelistic Campaign, and that our Mission has made a larger gain than it ever has before, shows that the campaign is gaining in force and momentum. If this is true we may look for much larger results in the year to come." This forecast has proved true. Our results this year are far ahead of those of last year, showing that the campaign is not a spasmodic effort but is a growing, developing, vital force. It is a new spirit abroad among our workers and among our churches whose aim is to enlist every Christian in our community as a worker for Christ.

The statistics show that we have occupied 17 new villages during the year under review and have 691 more families than last year. There are now 4,541 families. 356 were received into communion on confession of their faith, ten less than we received last year. This is one of the very few minus signs in our statistics, and it is only a comparative minus, for our total communicants are now 3,806, an increase of 213. We felt last year was a record year when we baptized 1,133. But

this year we are recording 428 more than last year or a total of 1,561. Our total baptized community is 9,195 as compared with 8,094, an actual gain of 1,101. Again we have gone far ahead of all former records in the number of non-baptized adherents received. The records show 2,794, which is 1,048 more than last year. Even that is probably not the full number as sometimes those baptized in the year in which they are received are not shown in this column. The total of adherents is now 5,634 showing a gain for the year of 1,650. Our total Christian Community has grown from 15,671 to 18,645, a gain of 2,974. The reports of gains given at our Conference at Katpadi had raised the hope that our gains would be 3,500 or more. But some of these reports were evidently hopes rather than actual gains, and when the accurate statistics were compiled at the end of the year some 500 or more failed to materialize.

The real significance of this very large growth in our Christian Community is seen when we note that it is a growth of just about 19 per cent. Our General Assembly last year set before our churches as our aim for each year a gain of ten per cent. Our gain is very nearly twice that, and at this rate we should double our Christian Community in five years. But are we warranted in believing that this rate can be kept up? The gains for the last four years or since the beginning of the Evangelistic Campaign are at least very significant. At the end of 1914 our Christian Community numbered 12,147. In these four years we have gained a total of 6,488 and our community now numbers 18,635. That is a gain of 53½ per cent. At that rate it would take a little over three years more to double our community.

The statistics for Sunday Schools show an advance. We have 10 more schools, 26 more teachers, and 570 more pupils. Christian Endeavor Societies also show a gain. We have five more societies with a membership of 5,011, a gain of 463. On the whole, contributions have not kept pace with the growth in our community, but we can be thankful that even in the face of war prices, our Christians have gone forward.

In reviewing the work of the circles there is no need to apologize for making the growth in total Christian Community the standard of success. If the highest aim of every Christian is to win others for Christ, and the paramount purpose of the church is to win the world for Christ, then we cannot go far wrong in making the numbers led to follow Christ the test of success or failure. This emphasis is needed to change the perspective of those who make growth in grace and the perfection of their Christian character the dominating aim of the individual Christian and the church. A selfish introspective aim can never be the highest. The very essence of Christianity is to live for others. The highest character can never be the one that selfishly lives to perfect itself. The highest attainments come to those who live a life of unselfish effort for others. It is the emphasis placed on this truth that I believe is profoundly changing our work. It is because many of our Christians have seen this truth and are living up to it that we have been able to report nearly three thousand won for Christ this year. This result could never have been won through the efforts of our paid agents alone. It is because we have been able to enlist a large number of our Christians as volunteer workers that it has been accomplished. A study of the statistics of the 17 pastorates shows that this is practically true of our whole Mission. Nine of these Pastorates have won 20 per cent. or over, thus doubling the standard of ten per cent. gain set by our General Assembly. Katpadi leads having won 577, giving them a percentage of 36%. A gain of over one-third is a remarkable result and places this pastorate in a group by itself.. The next group contains five pastorates that have won over 25 per cent. They are Palmaner 28 per cent., Chittoor and Wandiwash 27 per cent. each, Burukayalakotta 25¾ per cent., and Gudiyattam 25¾ per cent. Next to them come Punganur 24¾ per cent., Gingee 21 per cent., Arni 20 per cent. Between 20 per cent. and 10 per cent. there are six pastorates, three above 15 per cent., viz., Orathur 19 per cent., Vellore 18 per cent., and Madanapalle 15½ per cent., and three below, Tindivanam 13¾ per cent., Yehamur 11

per cent., and Ranipettai 10 per cent. There are only two out of the seventeen below 10 per cent., viz., Serkadu 8 per cent., and Gnanodiam about 7 per cent. That only two have fallen below 10 per cent. and that nine have gained 20 per cent. and over is a most encouraging record.

The result by circles is as follows:

Western Circle gained 1,421 making 24.23 per cent.

Northern Circle gained 337 making 21.94 per cent.

Southern Circle gained 609 making 20.94 per cent.

Eastern Circle gained 597 making 11.22 per cent.

No circle fell below 10 per cent. total gain. Three of them gained 20 per cent. and over .

NORTHERN CIRCLE.

With reference to the details of the work in the Northern Circle the Chairman reports as follows:

"The Northern Circle can truthfully report the most remarkable year in its history. Nothing can be more impressive than a glance at the statistics just given.

These facts are remarkable in themselves but compared with the rate of growth of previous years they are the clearest indication that a strong movement is on foot in our community. These events become still more significant when we remember the difficulties that have been experienced this year. It was no light disappointment that our people should have been deprived of all missionary leadership for six months of the past year. Then, too, we have encountered in our villages the work of a Hindu missionary who caused our Christians much uneasiness, and who, according to his own claims, has led back over 40 people to Hinduism. One village is seriously disrupted by his work, though, for the most part, in our villages he was turned away coldly. Last of all, we have faced hardship and famine for the greater part of the year and the influenza epidemic coming in the closing months caused inconceivable suffering. So we are led to ask ourselves if we could make such unprecedented gains in the face of such unprecedented adverse

conditions—what could we not do if the way had been made clear for unobstructed progress.

We have been hampered, too, by inadequate funds. By great efforts we have managed to confine ourselves pretty closely to our allotted budget but we feel we must protest against carrying on work on such a policy of starvation economy. Our force needs enlarging. We ought to be in a position to employ at least six new men of good qualifications. We are unable to muster a touring band for the Madanapalle—Burukayalakotta Pastorate and our other two bands are short-handed. Much of our touring work has been discontinued because it is too expensive. Many of our workers are too old to be efficient in this hard work and we should be training young men to fill their places. Our schools suffer for lack of trained teachers. Our buildings in some places have been outgrown and need to be replaced by more permanent structures. The Vayalpad School still holds its sessions in buildings which are little better than cowsheds. Our Punganur School needs a first class building and while we are faced with these needs in our existing work we are obliged continually to turn our ears away from appeals to open up work in new centers. Only when a village is firmly established in its desire for the new religion dare we enter it and then it is in defiance of our obligations to keep within our appropriations.

The condition of the churches is set forth in the growth they have reported. The spirit of evangelism makes for a healthy and contented church. We have been entirely free from faction and dispute. I have been giving most of my attention to the Madanapalle church in the belief that whatever was carried through in this Church where I could closely follow and supervise it would be adopted by our other Churches as a pattern. We have accordingly strengthened our organization, made it more compact and thus placed responsibility definitely on assigned individuals.

This Church's finances are particularly gratifying at present. The Madanapalle Church is definitely placing before itself the goal of entirely supporting the congregational and the

evangelistic work of its territory, thus realizing the ideal of not merely a self-supporting Church but a self-propagating Church. We believe this goal is within sight and covet the distinction of being the first Church in the American Arcot Mission to attain this end.

Rev. S. Cornelius took over charge in August and from the way in which he has already grasped the situation and thrown himself into the work we hope for a large success for him. And so we witness another step in the devolution of responsibility upon our Indian brethren. We have grown in every way and it does not require inspired vision to foresee an ever-widening and ever deepening stream of spiritual force developing in our Telugu Plateau. A year of extraordinary discouragements and hardships, but, thank God, a year of still more extraordinary growth!"

SOUTHERN CIRCLE.

The Chairman of the Southern Circle shows that the year has been one of substantial gains but also a year of unusually severe adverse conditions. Only a summary of his interesting report can be given. The adverse conditions are largely due to three causes, 1. The war, 2. Failure of rains, 3. Epidemic of influenza, cholera and small pox. The war has helped to send up the prices of food grains through the Government's purchasing large supplies for the Indian troops. But the price of clothing has in some instances increased three fold. Men can get on on short rations of food and can eke it out with leaves, roots and even insects, but there is no substitute for clothing. It is pathetic in the extreme to see the rags in which the poor women are often clothed.

The failure of the Southwest Monsoon and the consequent failure of dry crops in Southern India combined with war conditions sent the price of all food stuffs during the latter part of the year to an abnormally high notch. People were later on frightened by the delay in the Northeast Monsoon and the still rising prices of food. As a consequence, riotings and looting of grain shops occurred in many places. These were

prevented in Tindivanam by the wise measures taken by the Sub-Collector to secure the sale of rice at fair prices. But later on prices of food went still higher till they passed the rates in the great famine of '78. The poor suffered greatly. However the belated monsoon finally came and relieved the situation in the South to some extent, but still larger areas are suffering seriously.

While the people were thus undernourished the influenza epidemic appeared, the first attack slight, the second attack in September severe, often developing into pneumonia and taking off large numbers of people. No village escaped its ravages and many suffered very heavily. On account of a wide spread belief that this was a visitation of God and therefore those attacked should not take medicine, many utterly refused to receive medical aid and suffered the consequences. Never before in his 18 years of service had the Chairman seen or heard of so many deaths. A virulent form of small pox has also been prevalent in this district throughout the year. Even those vaccinated were often taken. Many deaths were due to this cause.

But next to influenza cholera has accounted for the largest number of deaths. Epidemics following influenza have been most virulent and fatal. While on his second tour the Chairman came to one of our Christian villages in which a number were down with cholera. In spite of the strong opposition of the people in the village where he was encamped who feared he would bring the disease to their village, he visited the stricken village, gathered the people for prayer and comforted and encouraged them as best he could.

Dark as has been the picture hitherto drawn there is a silver lining. Belated rains have come and relieved some of the distress; the epidemics have largely subsided. The Evangelistic Campaign has produced more fruit than this circle has reaped for years. Early in the year the Circle after a season of prayer and meditation decided to try to win 1,000 new members. Special efforts were made to get a large number to confess Christ publicly at the Harvest Festival when representatives from all

the villages were present. A large number responded and we hope this will become a much more prominent feature of our Festivals in future. The Week of Evangelism for the villages was fixed for the second week in May and earnest and effective work was done, resulting in many being won for Christ.

After summing up the results of the year's work at the end of the year a special meeting was held with Oratur and Gingeer workers to thank God for what had been accomplished and to set the goal for the next year's work. The meeting was one full of spiritual power, and when asked to set the goal for the new year it was interesting to see the enthusiasm and unanimity with which each pastorate named 500 instead of the 300 they had aimed at but failed to reach in the year just closed.

EASTERN CIRCLE.

The Eastern Circle stands at the end of the list this year, with a gain of 597 in their Christian Community, which comes to about 11¼ per cent.

Work for the young shows a substantial gain both in Sunday School scholars and members of the Christian Endeavor Societies. Receipts amount to Rs. 3,017, a gain of Rs. 110. These are substantial gains and show progress in all lines. It is only when compared with the larger gains of the other circles that this circle takes the last place.

With reference to the work of this circle the Chairman reports as follows:

"There are some seventy village containing Christian families in this Circle with a constituency of nearly 5,000 persons, of whom 1,228 are communicants, 1,023 baptized non-communicants, and the others in the 'adherent list.'

The actual increase in the Christian Community in the four Pastorates as reported is 597. This is nowhere near the figure we started out to gain during the year. By rights there should have been more than double what is reported as "actual," but a misunderstanding existed as to how the count was to be

made and several large additions were left out. However, it is just as well to be on the safe side and we think we can show up our 600 and hope the others will materialize next year.

Seven new villages were occupied in 1917-1918, and more are on the verge of coming over. Near Kalavai, where we made an 8 days camp last year, there are prospects of good results from the work of the Jacob Chamberlain Band, in which agency under the active leadership of one of our young helpers excellent service is being done.

The Week of Evangelism was observed in April, and faithful work was done, though not with as much enthusiasm as before. In some places, particularly in the Yehamur Pastorate, the work was very well carried out. In the Ranipettai station the Campaign was pressed vigorously. Speakers from outside came and gave powerful addresses. It would seem that good results must follow. Let us hope and pray so. Pastor Selvam has taken for his motto this year, 'We mean to hold fast.'

WESTERN CIRCLE.

Again the Western Circle is the banner circle. In both numerical gains and proportional gains, as will be seen from the statistics, it stands first. Even the exceptionally fine record of last year has been surpassed in nearly every particular. God has certainly blessed the work.

Immediately on the close of last year and after the circle knew they had gained over 1,000 new converts they set apart time both for thanksgiving and to consider what should be the aim of the new year. After considerable time spent in prayer and discussion it was decided to place the aim for the year for this Circle at 2,550. 2,000 of these they were to try to win from the occupied villages. 500 were to be won in new villages. Then, to stimulate work for the caste people, they decided to try to win 50 from among them. Profiting by the experiences of the last year, these aims were divided among the five Pastorates, giving to each a definite responsibility. The Pastorates again divided their whole number among their

villages so that each teacher and his congregation would know what was expected of them. In a number of cases, when the workers definitely accepted their responsibility, they, after prayer and conference with their Christians, divided the number given to them, asking each Christian definitely to undertake to bring certain individuals and families to Christ. This was done early in the year so that no time should be lost and all could begin work at once.

Plans were also made to increase the efficiency of Bible study and prayer circles. Emphasis was constantly placed on the responsibility of every Christian to win others through quiet steady personal work. A spirit of expectancy was cultivated. The Circle was out to win people for Christ. The problems and difficulties of the work were studied and prayed over, and as our aim was far beyond the unaided efforts of the Circle, a spirit of dependence on God was awakened. The Week of Evangelism in April was carefully prepared for and a great effort made to bring to our Harvest Festival a great offering of souls won for Christ as well as offerings of material gifts for the Kingdom. Never before have we had such large material gifts in money and kind. But our hearts were filled with a very great joy when 96 confessed Christ for the first time and received baptism in the last meeting. It was a most impressive sight, that quiet, intensely spiritual service of dedication to Christ while hundreds of Christians and non-Christians sat silently through the whole service evidently gripped by the significance of what was being done.

At the beginning of September, the last month of the statistical year, it was found that only a little over one-half of the number we had set ourselves to win had been brought in. After a time of deep heart searching and prayer, it was decided to devote the whole month to a very special effort. The first three weeks of September were set apart for preparation for the week of active evangelism. In that one month over 300 were won for Christ and our total came up to 1,605. This was distinctly below the aim the circle had set before itself, but it was a signal advance over anything it had done before, and for

this we thank God. Again we feel that the gain in numbers is only a part of our gain. There has been a decided spiritual uplift. Agents and people have alike felt it. Because of the work they have done for Him, Christ has become more real to them.

Among the matters mentioned in the report of the Vice-Chairman, the Rev. Meshach Peter,—to whose steady and efficient work, loyally supported by the Pastors and the Indian Church Board agents, the success of the Circle is very largely due,—the following are briefly summarized:

It is worthy of note that the success of this year has been achieved in the face of very serious discouragements. The epidemics of influenza, cholera and small pox have brought much suffering and oftentimes death to many of the homes of our Christians and have interfered with systematic work. The failure of rains and consequent loss of crops and the high prices due to the world war have also brought much misery and distress, especially to the poor. But in the face of all discouragements the work has been successfully pressed throughout the year.

Church services have been better attended. Weekly and cottage meetings have been more successful and have proved schools of prayer for the people and opportunities for testimony. Family prayer is also decidedly on the increase and when the day's toil has closed, houses are seen alive at nights with family prayers. This has greatly encouraged the workers. Growth in grace is also seen by the fact that the village people have given more this year in spite of pestilence and high prices, showing that they are prepared for more direct assumption of responsibility than hitherto.

While the Campaign has meant much for the village churches, it can also do much for the large town churches as well. Special mention must be made of the marvelous change that has come over the Vellore Church. The session at the beginning of the year definitely adopted the aim of winning

300 souls and placed this before the church. The church was then systematically organized to work for this end and had the joy of adding 157 to its register. Who would have dreamed three years ago that this church would have the privilege of turning out such a great work as this?

Among the fruits of this year's work may be mentioned a growing spirit of prayer and desire for God's word, a larger measure of hope and courage, differences and quarrels healed and indifference banished, and doubting and hesitating led to Christ and backsliders restored. The church is becoming convinced that its chief work is to enlist every one of its members as individual workers for individual souls.

EDUCATIONAL WORK.

The Educational Work of the Board has been carried on as usual. There are 4 Higher Elementary Schools, the same as last year but with a loss of 64 pupils. There are 180 Lower Elementary Schools, a gain of five, with 5,270 pupils. The total gain in pupils is 120. Rs. 13,146 were earned in teaching grants, an advance of Rs.810 over last year. Rs. 604 were drawn as furniture grant. Total receipts amounted to Rs. 14,227. There is a net gain of Rs. 1,331.

Dr. L. R. Scudder, Chairman of the Indian Church Board, concludes his report as follows:

"In bringing this report to a close I am sure we can all lift up our hearts in gratitude to God that He has given us such a large measure of success in winning others for Christ. To Him be the praise and the glory. But He carries out His work by human means. He will use us to carry out still greater things. But it is for us to understand His methods. A careful study of this year's work seems to place emphasis on the following points:

1. The necessity of emphasizing the truth that the dominating purpose of every Christian life should be to win others for Christ.

The Christian that does not win men for Christ is a failure.

The Church that does not grow by winning non-Christians is failing in its highest purpose.

2. The emphasis on personal work as the one successful method of winning men for Christ.

3. The importance of Bible Study and prayer to develop the deep Christian experience without which successful personal work is practically impossible.

4. The importance of a large and definite purpose or aim to call out our best efforts and yet to cast us constantly back in dependence on the Holy Spirit.

5. The importance of careful organization to enlist every church member in this work and accurate keeping of accounts to conserve the results gained.

6. The necessity of every Pastor and Agent of the Board becoming a personal worker.

7. The importance of each worker's recognizing that his most efficient work is not winning others himself, but teaching and inspiring others to become personal workers."

WORK FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS

Christ sent out the first missionaries with the following words of action: "Go....., preach....., heal....., cleanse....., raise....., cast out....., give....." As we read the report of the women's work for 1918, we see that the missionary's work now, as then, is to go where there is the greatest need, to preach the good news of the kingdom, to heal the diseased in mind and body, to cleanse all that is filthy, to raise the dead in mind and spirit to new life, to cast out the demons of ignorance, superstition and fear, to give joy and light and hope in Christ. To accomplish this we must touch continually the lives of the women whom we wish to serve. The four centers of intercourse where women naturally meet, the

world over, are the home, the school, the hospital and the church. The latter cannot be a center of intercourse with Hindu women, but in its place we may count the more public types of evangelistic work, when preaching is done in the village street, at the well, or in a lecture hall. Among the Christian community, the church is the very center and controlling influence of such activities as exist. These activities come under different heads, so that in general, we find that our report falls under the three headings of work in the home, the school, and the hospital.

I. Work In The Home.

The Hindu Home.

The following reports are given of the work done by Bible women, missionaries and other Christian women in Hindu homes during the past year.

It is interesting to note that a number of the reports are written by Indian women who are associated with the missionaries in this work, either as paid or as voluntary assistants. In the scarcity of missionaries it has been necessary to put some of the supervision of zenana work into the hands of well qualified and experienced Indian women, and we may rejoice at the way in which they have proved themselves worthy of the responsibility.

VELLORE.

Miss Hancock writes:—"It was a pleasure to take up the work again among the women, Christian and Hindu, of Vellore, and to have the same Bible women (and one new one) to help me in this great work of bringing others to know the true God. Now as I write at the close of the year, there are two Bible women less than at the beginning, but the number of both houses and pupils is larger than last year. New homes have been gained through the work of the Evangelistic Cam-

paign and there have been several baptisms of village women from villages in which the Bible women have worked for years, and to which they and others are still going regularly. 'One soweth, another reapeth, but God giveth the increase.'

Every week on Friday morning, a band of five Bible women goes regularly to villages, doing personal work there, and trying to bring the women openly to confess Christ. It is a great joy and encouragement to see the interest the women of our church are taking in doing personal work. During the Week of Evangelism seventeen bands of women with the Bible women and others as leaders went every day to some village, preaching and teaching Christ. In Vellore itself we have held meetings for Hindu women in the schools. These meetings were led and arranged chiefly by the Christian women, and the attendance has been very good. Last week a special meeting of the Women's Christian Endeavor Society was held in the church, and Rev. Stanley Jones, who was then here holding meetings for the Hindus, was the speaker. Each woman was asked to bring a Hindu sister. Some brought two and three and there were at least twenty-five Hindu women present. Some doubted if the Hindu women would come to our church, but our faith was rebuked. We should go forward and do more for these Hindu women who are beginning to be more friendly, who show more interest and who are at least glad and willing to come where they can hear about Christ. I think the time has come when we could have a club, a room open at least several days a week, and there invite and meet our Hindu sisters in both friendly and religious intercourse.

Mrs. Meshach Peter, who superintended the Zenana work during Miss Hancock's absence last year and who has assisted Miss Hancock this year with great faithfulness and zeal, also sends an interesting account of the work of the ten Bible women in Vellore who are visiting and giving instruction in 425 different houses in the city. She speaks of the deep appreciation of their Bible teaching shown by the Hindu women and the gladness with which their message is heard in many homes and of some who in secret are following the Master.

VELLORE JAIL.

We may insert here an account of an unusual way of reaching especially needy women.

By invitation of the authorities, Miss Hancock and Mrs. Simeon Cornelius pay a visit every week to the women confined in the big jail at Vellore. At first they were requested to refrain from any direct preaching of Christianity, and had to talk in a more general way of sin and repentance, but now this rule seems to be relaxed. Mrs. Cornelius describes the work as follows:

“Our visit to the jail every week makes the women realize that we are interested in them and sympathize with them. The Word of God is changing their hearts and lives. Some women are eager to learn to pray. One woman when she left the jail, said that she was going to continue to pray in her house. A number have learned to sing the Tamil lyric, ‘Come, Sinner, Come.’ I notice a very great improvement in the attitude of the women during our prayers, songs and Bible stories.”

ARNI.

Of the work in this station, Miss Hancock writes:—“Because there is no woman missionary in Arni and no one to superintend the work of the Bible women, I was given charge in January. Owing to other work and duties, and cholera there in the early part of the year, and that dreaded disease influenza, the last three months, my visits to Arni have been few.

In January there were six Bible women, including one supported by the Women’s Gospel Extension Society, who goes to villages only. Later, one left the town, so there are but four who regularly visit and teach in the homes. Still, there has been a gain of homes during the year, and also of pupils.”

RANIPETTAI.

Mrs. Honegger reports:—“The opportunities for zenana work in Arcot, Ranipet, Asanalpet, Karai, and Kaveripak are

beyond my time and strength, in addition to my other duties. During the past year new homes have opened their doors to us, notwithstanding the fact that the people feel that our schools are teaching too much of the Christian religion. Daily there are two Bible women at the hospital to meet and talk with those who are sick and suffering. The other five Bible women go into the homes with Gospel stories which we have heard all our lives, but which many here in India are hearing for the first time. The blessed stories of love, mercy, truth and power must, in time, touch the hearts of the women and girls who are breaking down under the weight of unhappy marriages and the burdens of life under the joint family system. During the epidemic, when many were suffering from influenza, they would ask that we should plead for them at the throne of grace and also that we should go to their homes. Love opens many a closed door."

In addition to her work among Hindu women, Mrs. Honegger has held meetings for Hindu men at which the Rev. Stanley Jones made stirring appeals. This has resulted in thirty-two of the leading Hindu men of Ranipet becoming inquirers. Mr. Adiseshiah of Vellore, holds a weekly Bible class with these men.

CHITTOOR.

After Miss Conklin left Chittoor in the beginning of the year, Mrs. Pandian was made superintendent of the zenana work. She is an Indian Christian woman who is well qualified for the position in that she knows both Tamil and Telugu, as well as English.

Mrs. Pandian writes of her work:—"Zenana work naturally follows and is a continuation of the work done in the Hindu Girls' School. Four Bible women who were trained in the Chittoor Boarding School are under my supervision. I go with one Bible woman every day in the afternoon and in the mornings teach English in some houses, as many have a great desire to learn English. By means of this, several educated Hindu women have opened their homes to us.

"In the Evangelistic Campaign I went with the Bible women to preach in the village streets. Though the village women are ignorant and superstitious they listened gladly and were attracted by the Christian songs. May God call those sheep to His fold soon."

TINDIVANAM.

Mrs. Arivanandam, wife of the pastor, reports as follows:—"There are about fifty houses to which we go frequently. The parents of girls who are studying take pains to ask us to instruct their children. Although these women belong to the Brahman, Vellala, Mudali, Barber, and Dancing Girl castes, they make no opposition when we enter their houses and tell them about Christ as their Saviour. Many Hindus welcome us and ask us to have prayer with them. One Mohammedan family, when all the members were suffering from influenza, asked us to pray and all knelt down with us. In another family they confessed that prayer alone had saved them. They repeated the words: 'O Christ, have mercy on us! O God, help us! O Christ, live with us!' The most important event of the year was the baptism of three women, grandmother, mother, and daughter, whose home had been in Madras."

PALMANER.

Miss Brown writes:—"We are closing a year that has been a hard one for the people through sickness and the high cost of living. First, we had cholera and then a very virulent type of the prevailing influenza. We are practically free of it now, but many are dying of weakness and exhaustion through not being able to procure a sufficient amount of food on account of the high prices. In all their misery, they are glad to have us call. I talked to one woman whose sorrow over the death of her only daughter seemed uncontrollable. When I told her what was possible for her in Christ, and that He was willing to help her, she cried all the more and said that those good thoughts were not in her. How could she think

and believe it? I told her that it was not in us; that we needed to ask and receive from Him. This seemed to quiet her and we left her thinking."

MADANAPALLE, PUNGANUR, VAYALPAD.

Mrs. Grace Gnanamony reports on zenana work in Madanapalle, Punganur, and Vayalpad:—"There was a marked change in the spiritual attitude of the workers this year. There was more of the campaign spirit in all that they did and more earnestness than ever before. Thank God for this. The workers are realizing more and more the burden laid upon them and trying their very best to respond to it. Pray God that there may be a greater spirit of consecration for this year's work also."

The Christian Home.

It is as much a part of our duty to help the Christians as to help the Hindus. In any land baptism into the Christian church, or even birth within the Christian church, does not of itself bring perfect love and understanding in family relationships, perfect intelligence regarding laws of hygiene and sanitation, or a fully consecrated spirit, and yet some measure of all these is essential to a happy, useful, influential home. The two great means by which the missionary can influence the Christian home are frequent social intercourse, and the hostel life of the Christian Boarding School. It is impossible to write a report of anything so casual and personal as social intercourse but we insert in this place a part of the report of the new Girls' High School in Ranipettai which deals with the influence of the boarding school upon the home. Its instances are doubtless duplicated in other homes and schools.

"Although the High School work is a heavy burden upon the older girls, we continue to have them do the cooking and water-carrying and cleaning of the school. We fear that if it were dropped, for whatever reason, it would be taken as a tacit acknowledgment of the pernicious Indian idea that labor

and learning are on two totally different planes. So, even though we may need to consider lengthening the High School course by a year, the domestic work must continue as a very important part of each girl's education.

Miss Van Doren's Science classes work out their experiments on the school—filtering water, oiling pools, destroying vermin, examining wells, etc. The Domestic Economy class planned and put into effect a totally new set of menus for the morning meal, which are economical, nourishing and very popular. The older sewing classes have made all the frocks for our little orphan children, learning to cut and fit properly, to run the sewing machine, and to make things suitable for small children. They are now sewing men's clothes for the Red Cross, thereby doing two things at once! We know of at least three girls who spent the first day of their Christmas vacation having a "Saturday Cleaning" at home, and the remainder of the time sewing the new Christmas clothes for the family. With the increase of education for girls there should be great growth in the spirit of Christian homes, and consequently a moral rebirth of the whole community."

II. Work In The School.

Our schools fall under two heads—the elementary day schools for Hindu girls, and the boarding schools for Christians. Many of the former are arousing some opposition because of their Christian influence and this we may take as a sign of life and power.

RANIPETTAI.

Schools for Hindu Girls.

Of this work Mrs. Honegger writes: "As I review the work of the past year I find myself dreaming of the work which might have been accomplished *if* we had not had cholera, influenza, plague, and *if* we had not had opposition. The

Arcot school, which for so many years has shone out so brightly as a strong school, has passed under the cloud of all the above-mentioned difficulties, the strongest being the opposition of rivals. Two rival schools have been opened—one scarcely a furlong from our school. The only thing which cheers us regarding this opposition is that the Hindu parents have evidently begun to realize the power of the Gospel message and its power over the lives of the children. The Asanelpet school has also felt the same disturbing influences although in somewhat of a less degree. The Walajah school has stepped to the front in numbers and in efficiency. The antagonistic spirit which prevailed in Walajah has entirely disappeared. The Kaveripak school has done good work and the strength of the school is good considering the strength of the rival school at our door. Frequently a passer-by stops in and hears the story of Christ's wonderful love. The Sunday schools in Walajah and Kaveripak have been carrying on their work regularly, although the other two Sunday schools have been closed for several months on account of illness."

CHITTOOR.

Mrs. Beattie reports as follows: "The attendance has not been so large this year. The presence of two other schools for girls has undoubtedly affected the Mission school. These other schools have various attractions for orthodox parents. They are under Brahman management, their teachers are mostly Brahmans, the discipline is lax, and no Christian influence is at work in them. But though the numbers have been smaller, the Gridley Girls' School has had a good year. On the occasion of a surprise visit to the school the Inspectress wrote words of commendation of the work that was being done."

TINDIVANAM.

Mrs. W. T. Scudder sends the following report of the school: "This school shows somewhat of a decrease over last year due to the opening another Girls' school but the grant

given to us by the Government was larger than last year; so we have nothing on the whole to be disappointed over. The Sunday school is especially gratifying. The singing has snap as well as sanctity because Salvation Army tunes, learned at a Bioscope entertainment, prove an excellent medium."

Mrs. Scudder also speaks especially of the success of the Sunday School rallies, where large audiences listen with deep attention to the attractive presentation of Bible Stories.

WANDIWASH.

Of this work Mrs. W. T. Scudder writes: "This school is too far away for visitation, but Mr. Scudder found 70 girls on the roll the last time he was in Wandiwash. The grant has been considerably increased in both Hindu Girls' schools showing fair work as to tangible results."

VELLORE.

The three schools, Arasamaram, Circarmunday, and Velapadi, have completed another year of successful work in spite of the ravages of influenza.

Mrs. Hekhuis concludes her report as follows: "We feel that the schools are certainly performing a service in enlightening the lives of the girls, who though they remain in the schools but a few years at most, still carry with them nobler ideals and often in later years the young wives who are visited by the Bible women are the former students of the Hindu Girls' schools. The care of the gardens means a good deal for them in lifting them above the mere routine that so generally comes into their lives at the early stages."

ARNI.

In the absence of any woman missionary, Rev. E. C. Scudder is temporarily in charge of the schools for this station, and sends a brief report:

"The three Hindu Girls' Schools at Arnipalayam, Kosapalayam and Polur are doing fairly well, but dreadful attacks of influenza and cholera made attendance very irregular, and in the case of Polur, the doors had to be closed for several weeks. An innovation which added to the interest of the school was the introduction of weaving. There has been little or no opposition on the part of the townspeople, and the children are interested and happy. The total number of girls in the three schools is 340."

PALMANER.

During the first part of the year the school had to be closed because of cholera and plague. A very promising Headmaster had just been secured in September but fell a victim to the epidemic. Miss J. C. Scudder reports, however, that a young Christian woman has now been secured and there is again opportunity for growth. In spite of the many drawbacks the scholars did well both in the secular and Bible examinations.

MADANAPALLE.

Mrs. Van Wyk reports as follows:—"The Hindu Girls' School at Madanapalle has been under my management for only two months, and during that time it has not been possible to hold any classes because of influenza and cholera, which have been particularly bad in the quarter where the school is located. Under these circumstances I can hardly write an attempt at a report. I can only say that the building is being whitewashed and disinfected, and we hope to begin the new year with new vigor in the first week of the new year. How we hope that during the long interim the girls may not have lost the school-going habit!"

Mrs. Gnamoni reports on the work in the other schools on the Telugu Plateau at Punganur and Vayalpad. Here, too, there is the same story of work interrupted by the epidemic, though Punganur alone of the schools on the plateau did not close its doors. The Mohammedan Girls' School at Punganur

met the further obstacle of religious opposition which made it necessary finally to close the school. Considering the serious obstacles encountered, the results have been fairly satisfactory.

Boarding School for Christian Girls.

The daughters of the Christians of our Mission are sent, in the first place, either to the lower classes of the Ranipettai Girls' High School or to the Chittoor Elementary School to begin their steady education, after the earliest year or two of more or less desultory study in a village or town day school. As years go on and the girl shows her abilities or limitations, her future is decided for her. Those who are not apt at study are sent to the Lace Class to learn to earn a livelihood with their hands, and very clever do some of them become. Those who show special promise in their studies, especially in English, remain at the high school or are sent there from Chittoor and all the others finish the elementary course at Chittoor and take two years of teachers' training to fit them to teach in elementary schools.

INDUSTRIAL HOME, RANIPETTAI.

Miss Julia Scudder reports:—"This institution, which has always been known as the Lace Class, ought to be called the Industrial Home as there is at present no lace-making. We were very sorry indeed to be obliged to discontinue this branch of work as it has been carried on for so many years, but it seemed impossible to get the thread. So we had to turn our thoughts to some other way of occupying the time of the young girls committed to our care. We could not sell much lace in India but we are much indebted to Miss Van Nest who has helped us so much in this way in America. The pupils are now embroidering children's clothes of all kinds, underwear and table articles. They also learn crochet and tatting. My heart has rejoiced because ten girls have become members of the church this year. The influenza found its way in here as

elsewhere, and all but five of the girls were sick, but we are very thankful to say that there were no deaths."

WEAVING ESTABLISHMENT, PALMANER.

"The weavers have been very busy and have turned out many durable and pretty sarees. There is quite a demand for them and we can dispose of them as fast as they can be woven."

LOWER SECONDARY SCHOOL, MADANAPALLE.

Mrs. Van Wyk writes of the year as follows:—"The career of the Madanapalle Girls' Boarding School during 1918 presents a rather checkered and complicated appearance. The first months of the new year continued comparatively unruffled on the even way of past years. The interest and conversation of pupils and teachers alike, however, always held in its background the prophecy of what would be 'when the new building is finished.' Finally in October the long anticipated transition came, and the girls scarcely knew themselves in their spacious, airy dormitory, and in classrooms which are really classrooms and not merely corners in a hallway, improvised for the purpose. They revelled, too, in the fine, roomy compound of which they felt they were sole owners, since they no longer needed to keep to their small corner in the general Mission compound which they had previously shared with the Mission Bungalow and the Boys' Hostel of Hope High School.

The entrance into the new building was not all joy however, for almost immediately upon its wake came the dread influenza epidemic. The girls were truly little "bricks" in this time of need and when every nurse in Mary Lott Lyles Hospital was down, and all hands were worked to the limit, the older girls put their inherited fears of "the powers that walk at midnight" behind them and stepped in cheerfully to fill in gaps in night duty."

After further description of their struggles with sickness, Mrs. Van Wyk concludes:—"In spite of the storminess of the

past few months, we feel that we have learned to know and understand the girls better than ever could have been possible under ordinary circumstances. With the splendid possibilities which the new school offers, we are looking forward to a new year of broader and better work and a bigger revelation to the girls of the fullness of life which is theirs through Jesus Christ."

GIRLS' ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, CHITTOOR.

Mrs. Beattie reports an unusually large number of applications for admission to the Boarding School and crowded class rooms. The Training School also is overcrowded but by next year it is hoped that they will have a new building. The Government Inspectress gave a favorable report of the class work and specially commended their progress in English. In this school also the dreaded influenza came. Miss Noordyk and Mrs. Van Vranken faithfully labored with Mrs. Beattie in caring for the girls and the doctors at the Government Hospital also assisted, with the result that all the girls save one recovered.

Mrs. Beattie gives the following description of one interesting event of the year:

"The day on which the news of the Armistice reached us was enthusiastically celebrated in the school. The big bell was rung and the building decorated with green leaves and banners. In the afternoon the girls marched in procession round the compound carrying the picture of King George and American and British flags. Fire crackers finished off this day of rejoicing."

NORMAL TRAINING AND MODEL SCHOOL, CHITTOOR.

Mrs. Beattie writes of the successful work of Miss Perianayagam, who has sole charge of the class which graduated in March.

"All her students except one passed the Government Examination. The Model School under her supervision has done wonderfully well. When the Inspectress paid the annual visit

she was well satisfied with the work that had been done and asked permission to send the teachers of some the schools in her district to spend a day in our school to take notes. Her request was granted. It was interesting to find the Headmaster and teachers of the Brahman Girls' School, the Brahman Headmaster of the Municipal Girls' School and a deputation from the Graemspet Girls' School with note books in hand taking lessons from our Christian teachers, the majority of whom are women.

In regard to the religious life of the girls, we are trying to emphasize the importance of character, of being, as well as doing, of working as well as praying. Often they seem to have the idea that the Christian life consists of preaching and praying. There is sometimes a rather dangerous fluency in prayer and a readiness on all occasions to sermonize. We are trying to make it plain that mere praying will not accomplish anything if there is not self-denying effort as well.. Some of the girls, however, are really growing in grace and their influence helps greatly in the hostel."

GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL, RANIPETTAI.

The work of the school was much interrupted the previous year owing to Miss Van Doren's illness and other changes of teachers. Miss Conklin and Miss Hacker of Travancore, however, "held the fort" in Miss Van Doren's absence. When the school re-opened in June, the full staff however, was present, including Miss Van Doren, one of the year's graduates from the Women's Christian College and Miss Charlotte Wyckoff.

CLASSES.

Miss Wyckoff writes with enthusiasm of the opening up of the new class, the Fifth Form, which is the next to the last year in an Indian High School:—

"There are now seven girls in the class and we have every reason to be proud of them. They are the leaders of all that is best in the life of the school and most of them are very good students. In the Fifth Form a certain amount of optional

work begins which adds greatly to our amount of teaching. Four of the class of seven showed special aptitude for Science and Mathematics so we offered that group of optionals. Miss Van Doren teaching the Chemistry and I the Advanced Mathematics. The remaining three girls are taking, in the place of these subjects, English History and more of their vernacular literature. The remaining subjects, including the more elementary Mathematics, Science, History, and Vernacular,—which is required of all,—they study all together. We hope that at least five of the class will appear at the Public Examinations in March, 1920, but our hopes are fraught with much trepidation, for the path is a new one for us.

With seven in the Fifth Form, eight in the Fourth Form, and thirteen in the Third Form, we feel that we are doing well enough in numbers for a new school in a country place. Six Telugu girls came to us from the Madanapalle School this year."

HEALTH.

"We have had the whole school weighed four times this year and graphic records kept on cards so that we can watch the changes. It was interesting to see the changes in weight made by hookworm treatment, a change in diet and longer hours of sleep. Then came the influenza epidemic with its days of weakness, and all our curves pointed downwards again! Yes, we had influenza too, four weeks of it, and as many as eighty sick at one time. We nursed the girls at school with much help from Dr. Nathaniel, and eventually nearly everyone had it and got well. There were only two serious cases and no deaths, for which we feel very thankful indeed.

But, after all, a school is judged, not by its academic or physical attainments but by the character which it produces. We can see real spiritual growth in our older girls especially, and we do everything in our power to foster it and to inspire willpower and purposefulness. The Bible is studied as regularly and as thoroughly as any secular subject throughout the school.

But what we feel counts most is the personal contact which we have with one another on the playground, in the classroom, in our sunset walks, on Sunday and at many other times when we work to bring enlargement of insight and vision, stiffening of purpose, childlike trust, and minds and hearts open to find 'tongues in trees, books, in the running brooks, sermons in stones, and good in everything.' "

WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN COLLEGE, MADRAS.

This union institution, in which our Mission is proud to have a share, is growing with a rapidity which no one ever dreamed could be possible. This year there have been about ninety students at the college. The staff remains the same, with the addition of a Superintendent of Residence, Mrs. Dodd. One of the graduates of the college has also returned to assist in the History lecturing, and an Indian graduate of a college in Pennsylvania is assisting in the Chemistry laboratory.

None of our Mission girls is at present in the college, but we are sharing in its fruits. Miss Eliza Chorley, a last year's graduate, was loaned to our Girls' High School for a year by the Wesleyan Mission and is teaching History and English in our High School classes. Miss Grace Savarirayan, daughter of the Principal of our Theological Seminary, is teaching for us after completing two years of college work. She and her sister, who was interrupted in her course by ill health, hope to continue their courses next year. When our Girls' High School is well started and on its feet, we hope that a number of girls will be sent every year and that they will come back to us as efficient and enthusiastic and full of the spirit of consecrated service as these pioneers have shown themselves to be.

III. Work In The Hospital.

VELLORE.

Dr. Ida S. Scudder sends the following report of the various branches of Medical Work in and around Vellore:

UNION MEDICAL SCHOOL.

"The year 1918 will ever stand out in the memory of many of us as the most eventful thus far in the history of medical work for women in South India. For years some of us have been working and praying towards one great end, viz. the opening of a Medical College where we can train some of our Indian sisters to go out into the densely populated parts of India with ability to heal the terrible unalleviated sufferings of the women and children.

Schell Hospital welcomed with open arms this new young sister of hers which in her turn will develop and absorb her future years.

A thrill of joy, satisfaction and thanksgiving went through many of us as His Excellency pronounced the Medical School for Women open. His Excellency the Governor, Colonel Bryson and others were inspiring in their words of encouragement and commendation, but more than all, the class of 17 young women was the inspiration of the day. Some in high authority in the medical world in Madras had told us that we might have a class of three, possibly six, and therefore our satisfaction was all the greater when we welcomed a class of 17 bright young women. Our ambition is to have some of them at least stand at the head of the Presidency! We hope our ambition will be fulfilled for among the girls we have some exceptionally bright students.

The coming of the Medical School to Vellore has meant much extra work of course, but we have been glad to help launch this great and needed institution and we long for the day when we shall be a fully equipped Medical College.

Two adjoining bungalows were rented for the school, not far from Schell Hospital and Voorhees College. The staff consists of:

Dr. Ida S. Scudder, Principal, Professor of Anatomy.

Dr. M. Kinnaman, Professor of Physiology.

Miss Mary J. Samuel, L.M.P., Assistant Lecturer in Anatomy.

Mr. Thomas Harris, B.A., L. T., (of Voorhees College),
Lecturer in Chemistry.

The course taken is that of Sub-Assistant Surgeons, prescribed by Government for this class of students, i.e., graduates of High Schools.

A dissecting room with lecture room attached has been built at the rear of the compound. The new and well equipped laboratories of Voorhees College have been put at the disposal of the school and the Chemistry classes are held there.

The Students' Hostel is in charge of Miss A. E. Mitcheson and the welfare of the girls is well looked after. Games are compulsory. Badminton and Volley Ball are the favorite games and the courts at the back of the Students' Hostel are well filled every afternoon with students and professors."

MARY TABER SCHELL HOSPITAL.

"Although we have been so busy with medical students, the work in the Hospital has increased along all lines. Our major operations have increased considerably and the calls in the town and villages by both nurses and doctor have nearly doubled. The number of in-patients has also been much larger, and the income has been much better this year due to Miss Houghton's careful and systematic giving out and collecting of bills."

Dr. Ida writes with deep feeling of the awful struggle with influenza which took a very serious form in Vellore. Sixteen of the nurses themselves were ill with it at one time. There were several deaths in the hospital itself and among them Mary Isaac Henry for long years a faithful helper, and Gnanasundram, the head nurse. Dr. Ida says of the latter's death:

"I felt helpless, for Gnanasundram has worked with me for twelve years in the operating room. She could not be excelled, always absolutely conscientious, quick, ready. Nothing was ever too hard or too much trouble. Her zeal and energy were remarkable, for she had a frail body, but in all those twelve years she never once failed or disappointed me. We all cried out more than once 'Oh, we cannot spare Gnanasun-

dram; we cannot get on without her.' We need her so desperately especially now. She asked the nurses to sing to her. They complied with her request and sang, 'Oh, Think of the Home Over There.' She joined in and when they sang of the 'Mansions' she turned to me and said, 'There Doctor, my mansion is ready but I would like to stay and help you in the operating room.'

We celebrated mother's 80th birthday in October and it was a day never to be forgotten, for one group after another came to the bungalow to bring loving messages and greetings and we all thank God for the sweet gentle presence which is an inspiration to us all."

GUDIYATTAM DISPENSARY, AND ROADSIDE WORK.

"At present we have a capable nurse at the head of the Gudiyattam dispensary. Nurse Annie has already won the love of the people and she has large busy dispensaries every day. All cases which are very serious are told to come on Wednesday to see the doctor or are sent directly to Vellore.

The Roadside work keeps us very busy during Wednesday morning. We have at times had ten or more minor operations besides many medical cases. I could go on for hours telling you many a tale of sadness, many a joyous experience, for each week has its own special interest, and so many are learning to love our Master, learning to wait eagerly to hear the message of Christ's love. The Gospel message is penetrating into the very darkest corners of the hundred of homes for miles distant from that one road and Gospel portions are being carried everywhere. Other villages at all sides of Vellore and Gudiyattam are imploring us for help. There are six other roads leading out of Vellore, each lined with innumerable villages, all pleading for help. Other doctors, other motors and an ambulance are needed today.

Mrs. Simeon Cornelius as well as Mrs. Gnanammal accompanies us every week on our medical and evangelistic trip to Gudiyattam. We make from ten to fifteen stops a day. As

soon as the car is at a standstill, Mrs. Cornelius takes her Bible pictures, Scripture portions and tracts and stands under a tree behind the motor. She has a very special gift from God in her ability to present the Gospel so forcibly both in Tamil and in Telugu. It is useless to attempt any treatment while she is singing and preaching first in one language and then in the other. After the lesson is taught, she begins her personal work."

SHELL HOSPITAL, NURSES' TRAINING SCHOOL.

Miss Houghton has now returned to her work and is again taking charge of the training of the nurses. Miss Houghton writes as follows:

"Our school is growing in anticipation of the needs of the future, that is, the new Hospital; where we formerly had three or four in a class, we now have eight and nine. We have eight pupils in the senior class and nine in the first year class. We have one trained compounder and three being trained. These with our four graduate nurses make a very large staff, indeed too large to be taken care of comfortably in quarters originally intended for fifteen girls.

Our nurses are being called more and more to the homes of our patients both in Vellore and in the villages near by. This year 1,015 calls were made (of these 403 were with Dr. Scudder). The ministrations of our nurses are much appreciated by our patients, both Brahman and other castes. I am sure the thousands of souls with whom they come in contact in the homes cannot help but be influenced by their sweet Christian spirit as they go in and out amongst them."

MARY LOTT LYLES HOSPITAL AND NURSES' TRAINING SCHOOL, MADANAPALLE.

Just before Miss Durick's departure in December, Miss Josephine Te Winkel returned to become again the Nursing Superintendent. A few days before Christmas she caught the prevailing cholera and caused us much anxiety, but as this

report is written she has recovered and will soon be able to take up her work. When Dr. Hart is released from her temporary charge of the tuberculosis sanatorium, she will take charge of this much neglected hospital, and we shall hope for an unbroken year of growth in 1919.

Miss Te Winkel writes the following report in the absence of Miss Durick:

"Mary Lott Lyles stands at the beginning of the new year eager and expectant, full of hope and courage at what a new year may have in store for her. Truly Mary Lott Lyles has again and again given of her best and she deserves a reward. The nurses trained under her roof have gone to labor in other fields and an almost entirely new set of probationers, eagerly clamoring for class-work and training, take their places.

Mrs. Warnshuis, who was really the physician in charge during the year, was obliged to be away for months owing to the very serious condition of Mr. Warnshuis. The people remember with gratitude her care of them during cholera and other illnesses and especially during the recent awful influenza epidemic. We must not forget the assistance so generously rendered by Dr. Hart at that time, in addition to her arduous duties at the Sanatorium; for there, too, the epidemic broke out. Miss Durick, who had been acting as Superintendent of nurses since the beginning of the year, toiled faithfully over the sick until she herself fell ill and her life was despaired of; but, in God's good Providence she was restored sufficiently to sail for America in December. Then Mary Lott Lyles remembers with gratitude other ministering angels who came in and rendered valuable assistance. Among them we speak with reverence the name of Miss Poonen, the new Headmistress at the Girls' School, who labored so faithfully until the dread disease laid her low and it was hers to make the supreme sacrifice."

After further description of the faithful labors of the nurses and the missionaries of the station to relieve the suffer-

ing during the epidemic, Miss Te Winkel closes her report with these words:

"Perhaps the statistics of the past year do not show a glowing record, and still Mary Lott Lyles does not hide her head in shame. She stands bereft of much, it is true, but proud in the consciousness that she has given of her best to relieve suffering humanity.

She hath given her Doctors, her nurses and her supplies unstintedly. Is it not true of her that she hath done what she could?"

TINDIVANAM DISPENSARY.

Mrs Walter Scudder writes of the work of the dispensary in ministering to the needs of those suffering of cholera and influenza. 500 in this small town alone are reported as having succumbed to the latter disease. She makes the following interesting comments upon the results of the general suffering:

"Many who were almost stunned by the heaviness of the blow are now more sympathetic towards Christian teaching. One helper of first magnitude whom I feel like making mention of by name is the High School Drill Master, Mr. D. Nathaniel. He not only brought bottles to be filled with medicine but might be found carrying food to helpless households. Another Christian neighbor I found making an early morning fire in a home where five members were ill at one time. All hearts seemed to have been opened as never before by the hard times through which we have been passing."

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On furlough.—Rev. and Mrs. D. C. Ruigh, Rev. H. Kuyper, Miss Jean Noordhoff.

Non-commissioned Associate Missionary.—*Nagasaki*: Miss Minnie Taylor.

REPORT FOR 1918

INTRODUCTION

THE POLITICAL SITUATION.

The past year has been one of few baptisms and unusually open and aggressive opposition toward Christianity. This was undoubtedly due, in a large measure, to the reactionary attitude of the recent Cabinet under General Terauchi, which gave assurance to those who were inclined to oppose the establishment of Christianity in this Empire. With the severe rice riots in the autumn, however, a change of Government took place and a party Cabinet came into power under a Commoner, Mr. Hara. This change in the political situation coupled with the overthrow of militarism by the victory of the allied cause in France is making itself felt in the growth of liberal tendencies. In the words of a prominent Christian leader, "militarism and imperialism have been great hindrances

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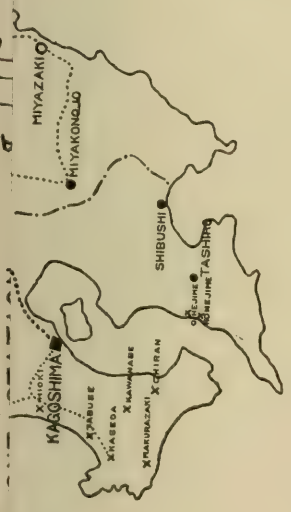
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L. J. SHAPER, 1919

OUR FIELD IN JAPAN

THE UPPER LEFT HAND CORNER REPRESENTS THE WHOLE OF JAPAN WITH PRESENT FIELD (IN BLACK) AND PARTS TRANSFERRED TO THE REFORMED CHURCH IN THE U. S. IN 1917 (IN SHADED LINES); THE RIGHT HAND CORNER, WORK ABOUT TOKYO.

THE MAIN MAP IS OF KYUSHU IN THE SAME PROPORTION AS THE TOKYO SECTION. THE SEVEN PROVINCES INDICATED ON THE MAP OF KYUSHU IN THE ORDER OF THEIR POPULATION ARE:

FUKUOKA
KAGOSHIMA
KUMAMOTO
NAGASAKI
OITA
SAGA
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in the propagation of Christianity in Japan," and, if the overthrow of Germany and the establishment of a League of Nations prove to have the effect that is anticipated in stimulating the growth of liberal tendencies in Japan, Christianity will have a less hampered opportunity for the presentation of its claims.

Those who are in close touch with the situation believe that this is bound to be the result. The whole tone of the press of the country has changed; things are published today that a few years ago would have been suppressed; universal suffrage is in the way of becoming a practical political issue, and democratic ideas are freely discussed and advocated. Christian leaders are, therefore, predicting that the younger generation of missionaries will achieve greater results than have been possible up to the present.

THE PROGRESS CAMPAIGN.

In view of this opportunity which, we are led to believe, is immediately at hand in Japan, the Mission, with its new organization, has learned of our Board's share in the Reformed Church Progress Campaign with great rejoicing. This proposed advance, coming as it does during the early years of the new organization of our Mission, should give an impetus to the work of our Church in Japan that will be felt for a decade. It will give us the means to consolidate and strengthen our work in preparation for this trend toward Christianity when it begins.

The Board has rightly understood the situation and has clearly apprehended the mind of the Mission in announcing that the special emphasis of the work in Japan for the next five years would be on concentration and evangelization. The day of separation and widely scattered effort in the evangelistic work of our church in Japan has passed and under the new Mission the Island of Kyushu with its 9,000,000 inhabitants has been made our chief responsibility. With the exception of three preaching places maintained by the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., in the populous industrial centers about

the city of Moji, all the work that is done by any church of the Presbyterian order in this important part of the Empire must be done by us. The Japanese Church of Christ looks to our Church alone in this task of the evangelization of Kyushu.

Naturally, in taking up anew this responsibility which has been ours from the first, and in bending all our energies to this task, and this alone, our aim should be the greatest possible efficiency. The purpose of concentration under the new Mission was greater efficiency and that this purpose may be fully realized, at the outset of the new organization, we must intelligently survey the whole situation, determine what is demanded of us and how we can best proceed to meet these demands. The program of advance adopted by the Board makes it all the more imperative for us to make this survey and formulate these plans that the Board and the Church may know what our real situation is and how it will be affected by the Reformed Church Progress Campaign.

Educational Work

The Schools of our Mission can readily be associated in pairs; there are two in the North in Tokyo and Yokohama and two in the South in Nagasaki and Shimonoseki; two are for boys and two are for girls; two are union institutions with the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A. and two are wholly under the control of our Mission. The Meiji Gakuin, in Tokyo, is a union enterprise, consisting of a theological school, a department of college grade and a middle or high school and is exclusively for young men. The other school for boys, Steele Academy at Nagasaki is wholly a Mission institution and consists of a middle department only. The girls' schools are Ferris Seminary at Yokohama, supported by our Church alone, and Sturges Seminary in Shimonoseki, a union school of the same grade.

With the exception of Sturges Seminary, which in its present form is a new organization, all of these schools have been in existence for thirty to forty years, and the old

Sturges Seminary, which is a part of the present organization, was organized thirty-two years ago. These institutions have had an honored history and have been a credit to the work of our Church in Japan.

MEIJI GAKUIN.

Meiji Gakuin, after celebrating its fortieth anniversary in November, 1917, began the new school year in the Spring of 1918, with the largest number of students in its history, something like six hundred young men being enrolled in all its departments at present. These are distributed as follows:— five hundred and forty-one in the Middle School; forty-eight in the College, and twenty-two in the Theological Department. The present enrollment is all the more significant when it is recalled that five years ago but slightly over three hundred students were reported. The quality of the students in all departments, too, is better than in previous years. This influx of new and better students is partly due to the general educational situation, but it can also be attributed, in a measure, to the recent changes in the campus and buildings of the school. In 1915-1916 a new Chapel and a new Higher Department building were built, the athletic field was relocated and was made more serviceable, and the grounds about the buildings were improved. This past year Severance Hall, the theological dormitory, is being erected on a larger and more healthful site and the contract has been let for a building to be used as an assembling place for the students (made necessary by the regulation forbidding the students to enter the school building before the bell rings) and as a gymnasium. The library and reading room of the school has also been improved. Meiji Gakuin now has one of the most attractive school plants in the City of Tokyo. This is bound to make its influence felt in the enrollment of the school. For example, the new athletic field has made it possible to establish relations with a nearby primary school, with the result that many of the graduates of this school have entered Meiji Gakuin. The College affords an English Literary course,

an English Normal course, and this year, to meet the growing demand in the business world for young men of good character with a fair knowledge of English, a Commercial course has been added. Already alumni of Meiji Gakuin have founded three scholarships in this new course. This increase of interest in the school on the part of the alumni and others is one of the hopeful signs of the present. Recent gifts aggregated over Yen 2,500, and through a newly organized Alumni Association and consistent publicity work it is believed that the school constituency can be still further enlarged and Japanese financial support increased.

The Theological Department provides special meetings for the discussion of evangelistic problems and the students find work in the local churches of the city as Sunday School teachers. The whole question of theological education is being studied by a joint committee of the two Missions co-operating in the Meiji Gakuin, but it is too early to say what effect that report will have upon the present situation.

A new step has been taken in the religious activities of the school in the organization of a school church with a school pastor. This new pastor is an alumnus and a graduate of Auburn Seminary. He takes a large part of the religious teaching in the school and in connection with the church, conducts a Sunday School, a prayer meeting and a morning service of worship in the Chapel. This church and its activities now become the center and rallying point of the religious life of the school. Meiji Gakuin thus seems to be entering upon a new era of usefulness and effectiveness as an educational force and as an evangelizing agency.

STEELE ACADEMY.

Steele Academy in Nagasaki has been gradually expanding during the last four years until the present enrollment is fully four hundred as against three hundred at that time. With the growth in the number of students the equipment has been proportionately enlarged until every foot of available space is in use. The present plant comprises two dormitories with

accommodation for eighty students; the old recitation hall now used for teachers' and Y. M. C. A. rooms, the Principal's office and class rooms for the fifth year classes; the new recitation hall which is half completed, and which, when finished, will comprise eight class rooms; a waiting room with three recitation rooms above; the Chapel with apparatus room and two demonstration rooms below; the gymnasium, the tennis court, and play ground, with stock room and other smaller buildings. This plant makes it possible to care for five hundred students.

The curriculum has been modified to allow time for home study, and the number of hours has been reduced from thirty-four to twenty-nine. The present teaching staff is efficient and Christian in its influence. The School Y. M. C. A. is an active organization and the Sunday School has an average attendance of one hundred and thirty as compared with one hundred and twelve for the previous year. The Board of Directors has approved the appointment of a school pastor who will become teacher of Bible and Ethics, conduct religious services, and who will give added impetus to the general religious life of the school. Definite arrangements have been made and the new pastor is expecting to take up his duties in the spring. There is still need, however, for a missionary who can give his whole time to religious work. Four hundred boys at the impressionable age offer an evangelistic opportunity of unique character and should be made the most of by our Mission. Steele Academy is a well equipped, efficient school that sets a high standard in education and esprit de corps among the schools of Nagasaki Province.

FERRIS SEMINARY.

Ferris Seminary, at Yokohama, has made a unique contribution to woman's education in Japan, which was recognized during the past year by the conferring of the Imperial insignia of Ran-jiu Ho Sho upon the Rev. E. S. Booth, D.D., who has been its Principal for many years. This honor was appropriately acknowledged by the alumnae and staff of the institution at a

reception at which addresses were made by Gov. Ariyoshi, of Kanagawa Prefecture, and the U. S. Ambassador, Mr. Roland S. Morris.

Thirty years ago, when the present site of the institution was secured, there were seventy pupils. Since that time every foot of available space has been used to accommodate the growing number of students, until today with its two hundred and seventy pupils the plant has become inadequate. The Mission, is therefore, very grateful to Mrs. Wm. Bancroft Hill and the Woman's Board for the gift of Yen 15,000 which makes it possible to acquire an adjoining piece of land for the erection of much needed additional class room and office accommodations, to be known as the Emily Stelle Booth Memorial, and the long deferred calisthenium, for which the alumnae have subscribed a considerable sum. With this new addition the School will be adequately equipped.

Fifty-five of the present student body are Christians and the religious life of the School is very satisfactory. Eight neighborhood Sunday Schools with an average attendance of two hundred have been conducted. The School Y. M. C. A. sent seven delegates to the Summer Y. M. C. A. Conference in July and has been active in Siberian relief work, contributing twenty yen besides garments and toys for the children.

With its newly organized Board of Directors, including two Japanese ladies nominated by the Alumnae Association, its standardized curriculum, and the prospect of enlarged facilities for work, the School is looking forward to even greater usefulness in the future than in the past.

STURGES SEMINARY.

Sturges Seminary was organized in 1912 by a union of the girls' school of our Mission at Nagasaki and that of the Presbyterian Church at Yamaguchi. The new school is located at Shimonoseki, it has made steady progress in the favor of the public, and has built up a spirit within and a reputation without that guarantee its permanent success. The grounds are improving in appearance as the trees and shrubs

grow and as others are added. The last graduation class presented fifty young plum trees which will greatly add to the appearance of the campus. The school is outgrowing its plant and is badly in need of a Chapel and dormitory. There are now fifty-eight students in a dormitory built for fifty and the need of enlarged quarters is imperative. The total enrollment is about two hundred at present. The religious purpose of the school is well sustained. The Christian Endeavor Society has been reorganized as a Y. W. C. A. with ninety members and this organization conducts two Sunday Schools in the vicinity of the School. Two others are conducted by the teachers, the total enrollment in these four schools being about one hundred and sixty.

STUDENT SUPPORT.

Under the Mission's Committee on Student Support, which is our "Board of Education," there are at present sixteen ministerial students, and fifteen girls preparing for Bible women. In addition to this the Mission aids two young women, one in Ferris Seminary and one in Miss Tsuda's English School, and two young men, one of these in the Tokyo Imperial University, all of whom are looking forward to teaching in our schools. There are in addition twenty girls receiving partial aid, some of whom may temporarily join the Mission's force of S. S. workers in the future. This last, however, is to be looked upon as our contribution to raising up a Japanese womanhood imbued with Christian principles, for without this support, under present conditions, these girls could never receive an education. It is the policy of the Mission, however, gradually to reduce both the number of students so supported and the amount of aid granted. The total budget of this "Board of Education" last year was Yen 7,500.

PERSONNEL.

There are at present ten members of the Mission engaged in the work of these schools: Rev. A. Oltmans, D.D., in the

Theological Department, and W. E. Hoffsommer, Ph.D., and Rev. H. V. S. Peeke, D.D., in the College and Middle Departments of Meiji Gakuin; Rev. E. S. Booth, D.D., Miss Kuyper, Miss Moulton and Miss C. Janet Oltmans in Ferris Seminary; Miss Pieters and Miss Evelyn Oltmans in Sturges Seminary and Mr. Walvoord in Steele Academy.

Miss Taylor who teaches on contract in Steele Academy, takes a place that would otherwise need to be filled by a member of the Mission.

THE PROGRESS CAMPAIGN AND EDUCATION.

It will be seen, therefore, that our educational institutions are now prosperous and comparatively well equipped. Advance during the last five or ten years has been largely in the development and improvement of these institutions. From the nature of the case, under the educational system of Japan, no great advance can take place in the organization of Steele Academy or the Middle School Department of Meiji Gakuin. When Sturges Seminary is provided with the needed Chapel and dormitory and the proposed addition to Ferris is consummated these schools will be as well equipped as the better Government schools of the same grade and better than the average. The Higher or College Department of the Meiji Gakuin is the great unsolved problem and here the Mission is inclined to wait for the Alumni and Japanese business men to take the lead or to look to large special benevolence by individuals in America rather than to extension at the expense of the annual appropriations. The new regulations relating to higher departments open the way for development in higher education in Kyushu, but it is too early to discuss anything definite at this time. Some gradual increase of salaries to meet the high cost of living and some increase in the number of students supported in higher schools will probably be needed, so that we cannot look forward for the next five years to a policy of absolutely no increased appropriations, but, in the judgment of the Mission, it will be sufficient if an annual increase of five per cent. is provided.

As to the foreign staff, no increase is contemplated. With the members of the Mission at present assigned to educational work or their substitutes, so far as foreign staffs are concerned, these institutions are fully equipped. It is proposed, therefore, that any increase in missionary forces will go exclusively into evangelistic work and of the proposed ten per cent. increase in total "Work" appropriation for the entire Mission each year, an increase of five per cent. on each previous year will be reckoned on educational work and the rest will be credited to the evangelistic work, making the annual increase there nearly or quite fifteen per cent. over each previous year.

Evangelistic Work

KAGOSHIMA.

The work in this Station was begun after the outbreak of the Satsuma rebellion in 1876; two of the three outstations were opened over twenty-five years ago, while the one at Tashiro is but four years old. At Kagoshima in addition to the independent Japanese Church, there is a missionary residence and Sunday School building and at Miyakonojo a church and parsonage. Mr. Ryder took charge of this field in 1916. A year ago an evangelistic office and Christian reading room called the Tanshin Kwan was opened in Kagoshima City, from which a monthly Japanese newspaper is mailed to two hundred inquirers, tracts are sent out and correspondence with inquirers is carried on. There is also a loaning library of over three hundred different titles and Bibles and hymn books and other Christian books are on sale. Last year there were twelve hundred readers who used the library, six hundred and fifty books were circulated, including those sent to the country by mail, and the book sales amounted to something over one hundred yen. There is also work for women and children in the City of Kagoshima and the usual services in connection with the Out-Stations where evangelists are located. There were twelve baptisms

during the year, one of these being an old man about seventy years old who had served as a warrior under Saigo, the great hero of that section.

SAGA.

Our organized work in Saga Prefecture is at three places outside of Saga City. Two of these Out-Stations were opened about five years ago, while one is twenty-five years old. The work at Saga City was begun forty years ago. At Saga there is a missionary residence and a church with lots and at the oldest Out-Station, Karatsu, there is also a church property; otherwise the services are held in rented houses. Mr. Van Bronkhorst was assigned to this field last Autumn and has been studying the situation and making plans for future work. In this Province, where the work has been carried on for upwards of forty years, there are today but five Missionaries of all denominations, six native pastors, and two or three Bible women, making a grand total of twelve Christian workers for work among nearly 800,000 people.

KURUME.

Mr. Van Strien is located at Kurume where he has charge of three Out-Stations and Kurume City. There are land and church property at Yanagawa. The chief feature of the work here at present is a very promising night school in Kurume City. This is held two nights a week, Mr. and Mrs. Van Bronkhorst having assisted last Spring before their removal to Saga. At the present time it is being carried on by Mr. Stegeman and Mr. Van Strien. English only is taught, but between the two periods there is a Chapel service of twenty minutes with Bible instruction in Japanese. Boys and men who would not come to Church will attend this school and as a result seven have been baptized, two have requested baptism and two others are in preparation. Three teachers of the local primary schools are attending at present and the manager of the largest bank in the City comes and urges his

clerks to attend. He frankly says that they need the religious instruction as well as the English.

One of the methods used during the year was a series of tent evangelistic meetings carried on by the Japan Evangelistic Band. This was continued for nine days with good results.

Mr. Van Strien has also built up a loan library and during recent trips through the country with a stereopticon lecture on Christ formed many connections which he expects to grow into a nucleus for another Eisei Kwan at Kurume. One of these lantern meetings was held under the auspices of the Young Men's Club of one of the neighboring towns, as the result of a train conversation with the son of a wealthy liquor merchant. These young men's clubs exist in every town in Japan and form a field of great promise for missionary effort if tactfully managed.

In an effort to find out what men are thinking about in a religious way, a questionnaire was addressed to about eighty of the professional men of the City to which thirteen replies were received. It was the consensus of opinion of these replies that something needed to be done to uplift the moral tone of the City and five expressed a desire to know something about Christianity.

Mr. Stegeman is conducting an English Bible Class of ten members, and Mrs. Stegeman has a Sunday School of thirty-five.

OITA.

There are six Out-Stations in connection with Oita Station and with the exception of two of these, which are of more recent date, organized work was begun twenty-five or thirty years ago. The smallest of these Out-Stations, Hiji, has a population of 5,000, Sayeki of 10,000, while the others range from Nakatsu with 18,000 to Oita City with its 38,000. The Mission owns two pieces of land suitable for future church buildings, at Oita and Usuki. The property at Usuki was purchased this year, Yen 3,000 of the purchase price of Yen 9,000 having been given by a wealthy Japanese gentleman.

This is the largest gift for church property from a Japanese in the history of the Mission. Both properties have buildings upon them suitable for temporary church and office purposes.

Mr. Pieters has been located at Oita for the past seven years. He reports that this last year has been marked by unusual opposition, resulting in a smaller number of accessions on confession of faith and in a slight decline in Sunday School and church attendance. The contributions from the Japanese Christians have, however, been better than usual. The total sum of ordinary church contributions during the year is Yen 1,072.07, an increase of Yen 148.72 over 1917. In Oita City during the year two Buddhist Sunday Schools were organized and the school teachers advised their students henceforth to go to the "Japanese" Sunday School instead of the "foreign" one. This opposition is due in part to the newspaper work, which has attracted the attention of those opposed to Christianity and has aroused them to active measures of self-defense. It is probable, however, that the real cause is to be traced to the reactionary government under General Terauchi, which recently went out of power. It is to be hoped that the more liberal cabinet now in office and the trend towards higher ideals and wider vision resulting from the victory of the Allies and the speeches of President Wilson will result in improvement in these conditions in the near future.

The past year has been marked by increased activity at Hiji and at the Tateishi gold mine, where there are the beginnings of a most promising new group of believers. A W.C.T.U. has also been organized in Oita City with Mrs. Pieters as its first President. The wife of the chief Police Inspector for the Province is a member and her husband is very favorable to all efforts of this kind.

The Newspaper Evangelism Work (Eisei Kwan) which was originated by Mr. Pieters is one of the prominent features of the work in Oita Province. This work has been in operation for seven years and has attracted the attention of the missionary world as one very effective means of changing the whole

attitude of public opinion towards Christianity. The method consists of the publication in the daily papers of articles on religious subjects, which, of course, must be paid for to insure consecutive, systematic teaching. It is then possible to publish, not what the editor likes, but what the missionary wants to get before the people. In connection with the publication of these articles, and independently, free books and tracts are offered to any one who applies. Upon receipt of such an application it is carefully recorded and a small package of tracts is sent. The next thing is to send a monthly Christian magazine for six months without charge. If the applicant lives in a town where there is a resident evangelist he is introduced to him; if not, the Eisei Kwan evangelist tries to visit these scattered inquiries. After a month another package of literature is sent and the inquirer is invited to join one of the Branch Societies. He is also asked to become a member of the Eisei Kwan which is practically a Loan Library Association. The membership fee is nominal for which a member receives the privilege of borrowing books from the library of four hundred volumes kept at the office. As the inquirer makes further progress he is sent two booklets which explain what it means to be a Christian and a printed application for baptism is enclosed. If this application is filled out the inquirer is given a course of systematic instruction by mail and after the usual personal examination he is baptized by the pastor of the nearest church of whatever denomination, or by someone from the Eisei Kwan. The responsibility for his spiritual culture is then given over to the Church which he has joined, or where that is impracticable he becomes a member of the nearest Branch Society, mentioned above. To each of these Branch Societies a regular Order of Worship with a printed sermon is sent each week. The leader—one of the members of the group—takes the service, using the printed form. There are at present six places where services are held in this way, with an aggregate average attendance of about fifty every Sunday.

In the six years and eleven months since this work was started, 6,904 applications for literature and 13,892 letters

and postals were received; on a conservative estimate one hundred and twelve persons were baptized during that time as a result of this work. The average expense per year has been Yen 4,392. Last year the sum of Yen 4,594.26 was contributed toward this work. The total book sales last year aggregated Yen 316.84; Reading Club members paid fees amounting to Yen 114.32; and the books loaned to members on demand, amounting to 614 volumes.

A new development of the current year is the successful inauguration of colporteur work. A young man who is himself a convert of the newspaper office has taken up the work of selling portions of the Scripture and other Christian books. His present sales amount to about two hundred copies a month. This work has brought many inquiries to the Eisei Kwan and should prove increasingly fruitful. It is Mr. Pieter's ideal to have one of these colporteurs in every one of the twelve counties in this Province.

NAGASAKI.

On his return to Japan, Mr. Shafer was placed in charge of this field. There is one Out-Station and Preaching-place in connection with the independent Church at Saseho. There are but four places in the Province where evangelists of any Protestant denomination are located and out of a population of over a million there are 1,264 Christians, or exactly one in a thousand.

TOKYO.

Work has been carried on at a Preaching-place near the Meiji Gakuin in Tokyo for a number of years, but this year Dr. Peeke, in connection with teaching in Meiji Gakuin, was definitely assigned to that work. It is the hope of the Mission that some work can be carried on here that will prove to be of advantage in the training of the students of the Theological Seminary for future country evangelistic work under the Mission. There is a large section about the Meiji Gakuin com-

prising roughly 100,000 people which offers opportunity for practically every kind of missionary work. Two Sunday Schools are being carried on with four classes in the one and two in the other and an average attendance of eighty.

YOKOHAMA-IZU.

The Yokohama-Izu field is almost the oldest country work in Japan, having been begun by Dr. Ballagh in the days when the placards against Christianity were still posted. It has never had a resident missionary, however, for any long period of time. There are three Out-Stations in this field, and the regular work in connection with these stations has been carried on during the past year. Dr. Peeke has recently been put in charge of this work, as well, and has made two tours of the field. There is a church property at Mishima and a Preaching-place at Gotemba owned by the Mission. In connection with the latter a very interesting work for Fuji pilgrims is carried on during the summer, there being, on an average, about forty serious listeners at the meetings held.

THE TRANSFER.

Mention should be made of the work of the two members of our Mission co-operating with the Mission of the Reformed Church in the U. S. under the terms of transfer of the work in the North to that Mission. Miss Winn has carried on the usual neighborhood Sunday Schools in and about Aomori and reports the entrance of one young woman into the Bible Woman's Training School at Yokohama. Part of the year, she has been the only foreigner in this city of fifty or sixty thousand.

Mr. Hoekje in Morioka has been honored with associate membership in the Mission of the Reformed Church of the U. S. and full membership on its Northern Evangelistic Committee. He has also been appointed missionary-in-charge of Akita Prefecture. His presence in Morioka has greatly facilitated the details of this important transfer and has

helped to continue the work through the transition period. He has still another year there according to the terms of the transfer.

The old Shinshu field of the North Japan Mission is being cared for by the Board of Missions of the Japanese Church of Christ, and under the terms of our agreement with them, must be subsidized by our Mission until 1923.

Woman's Work

There have been the usual Bible classes and Sunday School work in connection with Ferris and Sturges Seminaries; Mrs. Wyckoff has conducted three Sunday Schools and a class for young men in Tokyo; Miss Couch at Nagasaki has continued the publication of her monthly paper the "Ochibo," has carried on three Sunday Schools and the usual calling, and has given considerable time to the work of the Woman's Society of the Nagasaki Church, the Alumnae Association of Sturges Seminary and the local W. C. T. U.; Miss Lansing has opened new work in Fukuoka with three Sunday Schools, woman's meetings, classes for young men and for young ladies, and an evening meeting for adults in the home of one of the Christians; Miss Hospers is at Saga and last year carried on three Sunday Schools, singing and sewing classes for girls and three woman's meetings. In addition to these Mrs. Pieters has an organized work in Oita with two Bible women, with three neighborhood Sunday Schools, in addition to the Church School, and woman's meetings.

NAGASAKI.

Miss Couch was compelled to find another house during the year, which was finally accomplished with great difficulty and at the expense of much time. This search of several months for a suitable residence again brings forward the need for permanent residences for our missionaries. Miss Tomegawa, Miss Couch's efficient assistant, has one bi-weekly and

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three weekly Bible classes, five women from one class having been baptized. In Miss Couch's three Sunday Schools there is an average attendance of ninety-four. At the two Christmas exercises there was an attendance of one hundred and fifty-seven. Miss Couch has also classes for men and boys. Nine hundred copies of the Ochibo are published each month and during the year Yen 39 was contributed by the readers. The balance of the expense of publication came from gifts from friends at home. Miss Couch fortunately has a balance on hand sufficient to continue the publication of the Ochibo for three months of the New Year. Through the local W. C. T. U., an opportunity came for work among the girl operators in a factory in Nagasaki, and for two months a simple supplement of the Ochibo was issued for these girls, but the work has since been discontinued.

FUKUOKA.

Miss Lansing's work in Fukuoka is a new one in connection with the independent Church of our denomination in that city, the neighborhood in which Miss Lansing lives never having had a resident missionary before. She has one of her former Bible women with her and in September a new worker was obtained, but there is still work enough for another Bible woman as soon as one can be obtained. The three Sunday Schools have been fairly successful, the average attendance being in the neighborhood of one hundred and twenty-five. At the Christmas entertainment of the three schools one hundred and forty children were present. The evening meeting at the home of one of the Christians is well attended by the neighbors—mostly working people—who come to hear the Gospel and sing the hymns.

SAGA.

At the Christmas entertainment of Miss Hosper's three Sunday Schools, for the first time, offerings were taken and the money gladly given by the children has been used for Armenian

relief. At the Sunday School in the missionary home at Saga, Mr. Van Bronkhorst teaches the class of older boys. Miss Hospers and Mrs. Van Bronkhorst have a singing class of about thirty girls every Tuesday evening at Saga, and at Takeo there is also a class of about twenty. The three ladies' societies, with the exception of the one at Takeo which is not in a prosperous condition, are well attended.

The Mission's Evangelistic Problem and its Plans

The total population of the island of Kyushu in 1917 was practically nine million. It is, of course, impossible to state exactly what part of this is our responsibility. If it be considered from the viewpoint of the unreached, the large proportion of that number is our field. If considered on the basis of a comparison of the work being done at the present time by our Mission and by those of other churches, in some Provinces our share would be two-thirds of the total and in others from one-third to one-half. From the most optimistic viewpoint we cannot escape the responsibility of almost three and one-half millions of people in the island of Kyushu. In other words there are in Kyushu alone—to say nothing of Tokyo and Yokohama-Izu—at least three million four hundred thousand people who will not be reached with the Gospel unless we do it. There are at present nine evangelistic missionaries of our Mission—men and women—at work in Kyushu or, on the basis of the above calculation of responsibility, one missionary to 380,000 people; while there are but twenty-two native workers, making one pastor or Bible Woman to over 150,000 people.

As set forth in the "Joint Statement" which led to the union of the two Missions and as explained to the Board's Deputation of 1915, if the Mission is adequately to discharge its responsibility it should maintain ten fully equipped stations in Kyushu. These will naturally be Nagasaki, Kagoshima, Miyazaki (or Miyakonojo), Saga, Kurume, Kumamoto, Oita, Fukuoka, Yawata, and Moji.

With regard to the evangelistic work in the North, later reflection has brought us to the conclusion that Tokyo should be constituted a station, not only or primarily for the good to be done there (although that is a great item, as there is a fine opportunity and real need), but also as a practice and demonstration station in connection with theological education. The evangelistic missionary in Tokyo, for the present, will also have charge of the Izu field.

MISSIONARIES.

The manning of eleven stations, ten in Kyushu, would require thirteen evangelistic missionaries in active service, as will be seen from the following calculation:

The missionary's term of service on the field.....	7.5	years
The missionary's term on furlough.....	1.5	"
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Total cycle	9.	"

Nine years multiplied by 11 stations equals 99 years of service required, or 1188 months. But one missionary is on the field but $7\frac{1}{2}$ years or 90 months during the cycle. Hence 1188 divided by 90 gives 13.2 missionaries required to man eleven stations. The fraction is negligible, since it is absorbed by the summer vacation, which usually will intervene between the departure of a missionary on furlough and the arrival of his successor in the fall.

To meet this need of thirteen evangelistic missionaries, (counting Dr. Ballagh as retired from active service and Mr. Ruigh as attached to Meiji Gakuin) we have Messrs. Peeke, Pieters, Hoekje, Van Strien, Shafer, Kuyper, Ryder, Van Bronkhorst, Stegeman—nine men. Wanted, four more ordained married missionaries or eight persons.

In each well equipped station there should be also a lady missionary to have charge of work for women and children. A missionary's wife can do this if in good health, free from the care of teaching of children, and well versed in the language.

We cannot reckon that more than two of the eleven stations will be so equipped.

That leaves single women missionaries required in nine stations, a need which cannot be met with fewer than ten persons.

To meet this need for ten women we have Miss Winn, Mrs. Wyckoff, Miss Noordhoff (or someone else in her place if she is assigned to school work), Miss Demarest (ditto), Miss Lansing, Miss Couch and Miss Hospers—seven. Wanted, three more women.

EVANGELISTS.

The Mission's idea of a well equipped station is that there should be at least five located evangelists in connection therewith. This will mean four Out-Stations, if the church in the town where the missionary resides is receiving aid from our Mission, and five Out-Stations where it is self-supporting or under the Board of Missions of the Japanese Church.

Hence eleven stations means fifty-five located evangelists. Such an evangelist's salary and his itinerating expenses will average eight hundred to one thousand yen a year, to which must be added two hundred yen when the Mission owns no Preaching-place, and further expenses for tracts, Bible women, conferences, etc., making an average for each located evangelist of about eleven hundred yen a year, or Yen 60,500 a year for the entire Mission.

GENERAL EVANGELISTIC WORK.

But, of late years, the Mission has been increasingly impressed with the conviction that, essential as the work of the located evangelist is in establishing the Christian Church, this opportunity of work through and with the local evangelist should be supplemented by more general and extensive evangelistic work for the great mass of the unreached population. At the present time it is clearly impracticable to locate the number of evangelists necessary adequately to reach the whole popula-

tion. It is, therefore, the function of the missionary, to engage—each man according to his several circumstances and ability in such extensive work as the distribution of literature, newspaper work, tent work, colporteur work, institutional work, etc.,—in preparation for the more intensive work of the located evangelist. It is clear that this is the line of extension in the evangelistic work of our Mission for the next decade.

If this is to be accomplished and the men who give themselves to life long missionary service in Japan are to have opportunities reasonably commensurate with their consecration, talents, education and cost to the church, and if they are adequately to discharge the great responsibility placed upon them, they must be furnished with an independent avenue of access to the non-Christian public through the control of an annual appropriation not absorbed in evangelists' salaries and expenses, with which they can organize and engage in this extensive work.

The missionaries at present in charge of stations were asked how much money would be needed for this general work, and on the basis of these estimates, striking an average between the amount which the more experienced missionary is able to handle and that needed by those not so long on the field, at a conservative figure, a sum of at least four or five thousand yen a year should be placed in the hands of every missionary in charge of a station. Adding this to the figures given above, the total expense for "missionary work" in each evangelistic station would be, on the average, ten thousand yen a year or one hundred and ten thousand yen for the entire Mission.

To ask an appropriation of ten thousand yen a year for every well equipped evangelistic station may seem a large demand, and is certainly no small advance upon the average hitherto prevailing in our Mission, but it is only bringing the general work up to the present activity in Oita Ken. The missionary in charge of that field has during the last five years had an average appropriation of Yen 7,358. Of this amount Yen 6,583 was used for the ordinary form of evangelistic

work in one station and five Out-Stations —six located evangelists—averaging Yen 1,097 a year for each.

From the regular appropriations Yen 775 was used for general evangelistic work not connected with the local congregations, and to this was added an average of Yen 3,316 a year from special contributions, making the total funds at the command of the missionary in charge for each year as follows:

For ordinary work, from appropriations.....	Yen 6,583
For general work, from appropriations.....	“ 775
For general work, from special gifts.....	“ 3,316

Yen 10,674

Much more might have been profitably expended, but the possession of this comparatively large sum not tied up in routine expenses has enabled the missionary in charge to do an extensive work along the lines of making the Gospel known to the public.

The Mission considers it of the highest importance that this proposed plan should be firmly held by both the Mission and the Board, and that every effort be made to realize it as soon as possible.

THE ARABIAN MISSION

FOUNDED 1889. INCORPORATED 1894. ADOPTED BY R. C. A. 1894.

Missionaries.—*Basrah*: Rev. James Cantine, Rev. J. E. Moerdyk, Rev. J. Van Ess, Rev. Gerritt, J. Pennings, Mrs. Sharon J. Thoms. *Bahrein*: Rev. D. Dykstra, Dr. P. W. Harrison, Rev. H. A. Bilkert, Miss M. C. Van Pelt. *Maskat*: Miss Fanny Lutton, Rev. G. D. Van Peursem, Miss Charlotte B. Kellien. *Kuweit*: Miss J. A. Scardefield, Dr. C. S. G. Mylrea, Rev. E. E. Calverley.

Associate Missionaries.—Mrs. James Cantine, Mrs. J. Van Ess, Mrs. D. Dykstra, Mrs. C. S. G. Mylrea, Mrs. E. E. Calverley, Mrs. P. W. Harrison, Mrs. G. D. Van Peursem, Mrs. H. A. Bilkert.

In Madanapalle, S. India. Rev. and Mrs. F. J. Barny.

In America.—Rev. and Mrs. S. M. Zwemer, Miss Sarah L. Hosmon, M.D., Miss Gertrud Schafheitlin.

REPORT FOR 1918.

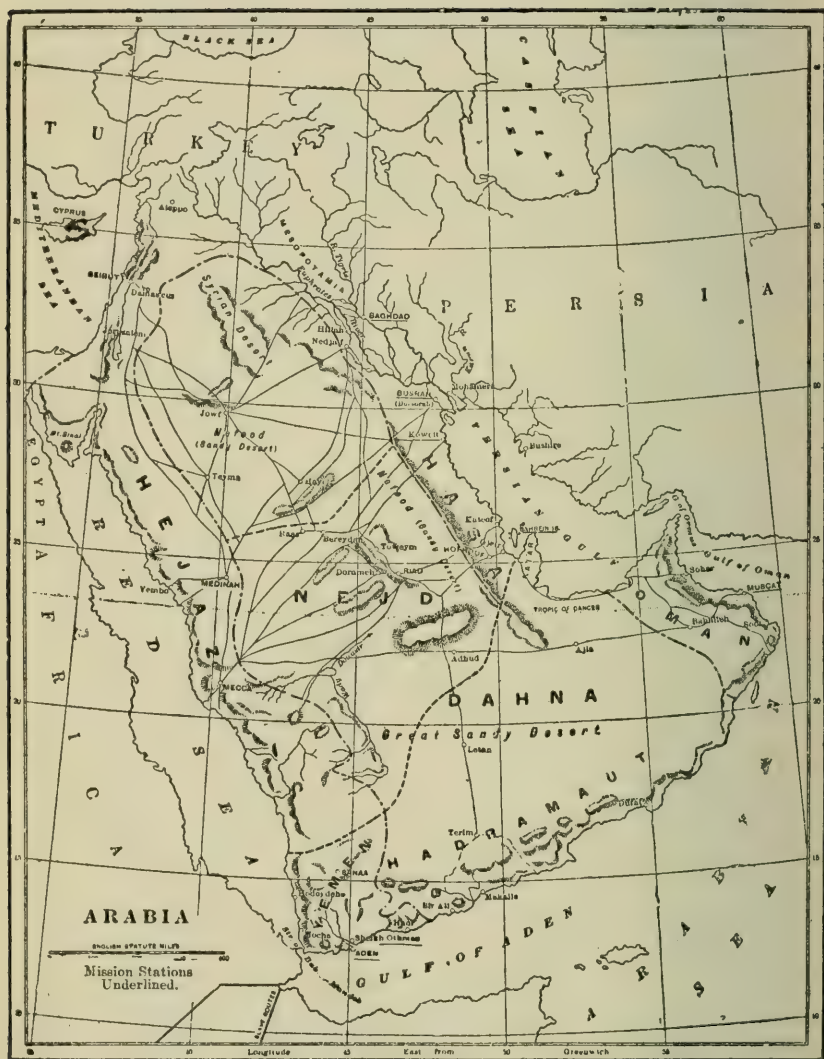
For Arabia this has been a year of hard times and high prices, of war and pestilence. Meningitis and plague, smallpox and influenza have all visited our field, and the toll has been very heavy. Times have been hard, and for the Arabs the comforts of life have been few. Throughout Mesopotamia, and to a lesser extent in all Arabia, old religious sanctions are weakening and the grip of old religious ideas is loosening. The Protestant Church in Basrah, made up of Christians from Mardin, is dead and buried. Worldliness has overwhelmed the entire community. Islam has fared no better, and everywhere the older and more religiously minded men are mourning the decadence of present days. A feeling of resentment toward the dominating power of the British is appearing. The hostility in Oman has not softened but persists with all its old bitterness. In Kuwait matters came close to rioting once over food regulations, and even in Basrah where the benefits of British rule have been most manifest, there is an increasing irritation between the new rulers and the Arabs, used for so many years to their own free and easy ways.

The war is over at last and few nations thank God for peace with a sincerer fervor than does Arabia. We are left

with a field of work that has been changed in many ways. Mesopotamia is a different country, and what the future may hold he would be a rash prophet who dared conjecture. Commercially, Egypt will be a small thing in comparison. The whole of Arabia is a different country because the Arab is a different man. He has gained some idea of the power of modern nations and of his own pitiful weakness in their midst, and he has abandoned in complete despair all his rosy hopes of eventual political power. The dream of Pan-Islam is now a golden memory and nothing more. But the deepest affection and loyalty of the Moslem have been ruthlessly torn out by the roots in destroying that vision, and deep down in the Arab's heart is a profound and intense resentment toward the powers that have humiliated Turkey, his last hope, and thus reduced him and the whole Moslem brotherhood to the position of vassals.

With this despairing conviction of hopeless political vassalage there has come to the Arab a correspondingly keen realization that all economic interests are absolutely bound up with British power, and an anxiety to identify himself with that power which is almost pitiful. The popular courses in the schools are the English courses. Even the girls in Basrah are anxious to study English and Music, and everywhere there is evidence of a desire to fit into the new and omnipotent social order.

It is not surprising that under such circumstances men's faith should waver. Islam's vision of the next world is a very vivid and commanding one; the Moslem's hopes are all centered there. But the next world is a long way off and the new social order with its overwhelming power disregards the next world utterly; indeed it scoffs at all such things. The man who loves Arabia sees these things with tears in his eyes and a choking sensation in his throat. It is nothing less than the threatened submergence of a race and the loss of all that God intended it to contribute to the sum total of Humanity's development. Not many of this world's endowments are to



be compared in beauty and power with the magnificent Arab spirit. The power of Christ is the only thing that can save it in this hour of need.

Some parts of our work are evidently to be much easier in the future. We are being dissociated in the minds of the Arabs from the political powers who rule them and increasingly being regarded as sincere friends. The spirit of toleration and personal friendship is really surprising. Territory closed for centuries to the Gospel is rapidly opening and for medical work especially we shall probably soon have no closed territory. Converts, too, in the future will quite certainly find the securing of a livelihood a much easier matter than it has been in the past.

But in some things the work is undoubtedly to be much more difficult. Personal friendship to us may increase, but our religious system is associated in the Arab's mind with their hated political vassalage, and so their hearts are closed perhaps more stubbornly than ever against it. The inrush of new ideas and a new social order is destroying all faith in the minds of many, but not to prepare them for a new or a better faith. Rather it leaves them with a cynical contempt for all faith, and the last state of that man is worse than the first.

Against this background the year's work has been carried on, and it has been crowned by the signal blessing of God. The campaign for the unoccupied districts has continued. The Mission is laying plans for a better occupation of Mesopotamia as soon as the country settles down enough to make such a thing possible. The authorities are cordial. The labors of the Basrah missionaries among the British soldiers have done much to foster this spirit. Kuttar has been visited for the first time in mission history, and the medical missionary had a most enthusiastic welcome. They are now asking for a similar visit each year.. The Oman coast, closed for years, is again open and asking for a medical missionary. A trip to that part of our field was made this year and such a reception was given to the visiting doctor as is almost unique even in this

hospitable land. Not territory merely but men's hearts are open in Oman as nowhere else in Arabia, and if we can occupy that district it is perhaps not too much to say that the promise of spiritual results in Oman will be brighter than in any other station we occupy. The hopes and the prayers that Riadh and Hassa may be opened for permanent work are as yet unfulfilled but every prospect is bright. Political conditions have been very unsettled, but now that the war is over we hope and pray that this supremely important country may soon be ready for the permanent establishment of the Gospel.

The preparation of a difficult soil continues to be one of our major tasks. Here too, God has done great things. There is no doubt that a real thirst for progress is appearing. It is imperfect and woefully mistaken in its driving motives, but it is real, and for it we thank God and take courage. The Basrah Girls' School enrolled 80 girls this year, and the Boys' School more than twice that number. The Government has been cordial in its co-operation and the whole educational situation of Mesopotamia is dominated by these institutions. The school in Bahrein increased to nearly sixty pupils, a record quite unique. There is a call for Boarding School facilities in Bahrein and in connection with the Girls' School in Basrah. There is no doubt that the old prejudice against missionaries is disappearing. The educational missionary in Bahrein holds a weekly reception to which men come by the dozens. On some evenings there are fifty and over in attendance. From all of our stations come reports of cordial receptions in the homes of the Arabs, and of many who come to our homes to cultivate friendship with us. The medical work has the same story to tell. The men's medical work in Kuweit has so gained the confidence of the people that this year it is financially self-supporting. In Maskat even the women from the Sultan's palace have been under the educational instruction of one of our missionaries.

Our supreme and indeed our only work is to bring Christ to men, and to bring men to Christ. Winning an entrance

into new territory is an easy thing compared to this. Even the softening of prejudice and the enlightenment of ignorance are only preliminary steps of questionable or trifling value without it.

We bring the Arabs into contact with Christ first of all through His word. Everywhere comes the report of increased sales of Scriptures, and this in spite of a greatly depleted staff. In Basrah the sale to soldiers has resulted in a very large increase indeed. In Kuwait in one month over 400 were sold, but it must be mentioned that that was a very unusual month.

The more important way of presenting Christ to the Arab is by the direct and open preaching of the Gospel, and it is one of the most striking signs of a new era in Arabia that the regular church services are coming to be largely attended by Moslems. Kuwait sometimes has as high as seventy-five at a service, and Maskat reports a steady average of twenty-five. In Bahrein on occasion the church attendance has reached thirty. With this increased willingness and even desire to listen to the Gospel, our methods of evangelistic work are gradually being transformed. The days are over when we can consider the sale of the Scriptures as our main evangelistic activity. More and more evangelism in Arabia consists of direct personal work in the bazaars and in the homes of the people. It is probable that this year the Bible Society will take over the more strictly Bible sale work in Mesopotamia and in time no doubt the same will be done in the other parts of our field.

It is encouraging to see that the attitude of the Arabs to this evangelistic work is increasingly tolerant and even cordial. The Bahrein Boys' School has no compulsory Bible Study course, but a voluntary Sunday School class is open to the boys and is largely attended. Curriculum Bible Study in the Mascat School meets with no opposition. The evangelistic work in the Mason Memorial Hospital reports the greatest cordiality on the part of the Arabs, and even in Kuwait, our most recently occupied and most bigoted station, opposition and hostility to

the Gospel message have entirely disappeared from the Dispensary services.

It is interesting to note that Arabs are appearing who have the courage to be open questioners of their own religious system. Maskat reports one such man of considerable position and influence, who stands as an open and confessed freethinker, and who in his attack on Islam's orthodox positions goes far beyond what any missionary would dare to say.

Among the mass of the indifferent and the hostile there is a slowly growing number who in sincerity seek after Christ. Several in Kuwait have manifested much interest, a few even reaching the point of secret faith in Christ. None has as yet crowned his secret faith by open confession. In Maskat one of the servants of the missionaries appears to be sincere in his belief in Christ, though he, too, is too timid to confess before men. There have been sincere inquirers in Basrah and even on the Oman coast one very earnest and sincere seeker after the truth in Christ was discovered. Far from any missionary or indeed any Christian he had for years cherished the hope some time to be able to learn more about Christ and His teachings. None of these men has come out into the clear faith and open confession that saves and establishes, but they are sincere seekers and we who pray for the coming of the Kingdom of Arabia, will do well to pray especially for them.

The small number of those who are already open and professed Christians have not all done equally well. The few scattered converts in Basrah have suffered from the wave of worldliness and sin that has swept over that district. The four women in Bahrein have grown in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. One more of them and possibly two we hope may be ready for baptism soon.

For the year before us we face enormous opportunities. Practically the whole of Arabia lies open to us. Personal friendship is taking the place of hostility and contempt. But the hearts of the Arabs are being closed even more than ever

to our message and to Christ by the new and ever increasing impact of the West, and it is a matter of unspeakable importance to enter into our opportunities before we lose them. Our need for more workers and especially for more medical workers is desperate. Humanly speaking, the salvation of a race depends upon them. There is a need, however, that runs far deeper even than this, the need of Arabia for the prayers of God's children that His own omnipotence may be exerted to bring into the hearts of the Arabs the light and His life as it is in Christ.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

GENERAL SUMMARY, 1918-1919

	China	India	Japan	Arabia	Total
Stations occupied	4	8	9	4	25
Out-stations and Preaching Places.....	48	227	34	3	312
Missionaries, men, ordained.....	10	7	13	10	40
Missionaries, men, not ordained.....	5	3	2	2	12
Associate Missionaries, married women.....	12	7	12	10	41
Missionaries, unmarried women.....	12	13	14	7	46
Native ordained ministers.....	15	19	8	.....	42
Other native helpers, men.....	37	374	16	24*	451
Native helpers, women.....	17	227	11	9*	264
Churches	17	17	23	.....	57
Communicants	2,218	3,806	812	2*	6,838
Received on Confession.....	.....§	356	68	.....	424
Boarding Schools, Boys'.....	5	8	1½†	1	15½
Scholars	322	434	712	23*	1,491
Boarding Schools, Girls'.....	6	4	1½†	.....	11½
Scholars	384	357	480	.....	1,221
Theological Schools	1	1	½†	.....	2½
Theological Students	1	11	7	.....	19
Sunday Schools	3	236	63	3*	305
Scholars	675	9,175	1,907	63*	11,820
Day Shools	45	217	.....	8*	270
Scholars	2,290	10,299	.....	224*	12,813
Hospitals and Dispensaries.....	6	9	.....	10*	25
Patients Treated	12,076	90,172	.....	36,801*	139,049
Native Contributions, Silver.....	\$17,890†	Rs. 12,156	Y. 5,836†	Rs. 1,630	.....
Native Contributions, U. S. Gold.....	\$8,945	\$4,052	\$2,918	\$ 543	\$16,458

* Figures of 1917. Those for 1918 not received.

† Only contributions through churches are shown here. Last year educational fees also included.

‡ Union institutions.

§ Figures not received.

COMPARATIVE SUMMARY, 1858-1919

	1858	1868	1878	1888	1898	1908	1918	1919
Stations	6	10	11	11	23	29	27	25
Out-stations and Preaching Places...	2	18	49	123	241	268	366	312
Missionaries, men	8	14	16	28	36	41	50	52
Missionaries, married women	6	12	14	21	31	33	42	41
Missionaries, unmarried women	1	.....	7	9	20	33	46	46
Native ordained ministers .....	.....	4	6	26	30	37	45	42
Other native helpers, men	22	76	86	173	211	367	520	451
Native helpers, women .....	.....	2	10	47	41	146	311	264
Churches	7	13	31	47	47	42	64	57
Communicants	297	816	1,563	4,559	5,564	5,282	7,114	6,838
Boarding Schools, Boys' .....	.....	2	1	7	10	9	16½	15½
Scholars .....	.....	55	40	308	517	1,004	1,724	1,491
Boarding Schools, Girls'.....	.....	1	3	5	10	11	11½	11½
Scholars .....	.....	46	97	300	456	766	1,320	1,221
Theological Students .....	.....	7	19	32	61	80	83	19
Day Schools	6	17	44	106	201	195	236	270
Scholars	87	413	1,341	2,612	6,059	8,245	11,858	12,813
Hospitals and Dispensaries .....	.....	1	1	.....	4	8	25	25
Patients Treated .....	.....	15,507	9,673	.....	18,046	107,571	128,660	139,049
Native Contributions .....	.....	\$1,134	\$1,500	\$8,325	\$10,758	\$24,500	\$35,367	\$16,458

NOTE:—The decrease in a number of the totals is due to the transfer of two stations in North Japan to the Mission of the R.C.U.S.

TABULAR VIEW OF RECEIPTS

CLASSES AND CHURCHES	Churches and Societies.	Sunday Schools.	Young People's Societies.	Woman's Board.	Special.	Arabian Mission.	Total.
CLASSIS OF ALBANY							
Albany, First	700 00	50 00		1000 50		32 00	1782 50
Albany, Madison Ave.	710 72	50 00		1895 19		65 00	2720 91
Albany, Third	40 00			77 10			117 10
Albany, Fourth	70 00			35 00		5 00	110 00
Albany, Fifth	51 00	13 04		35 00		33 04	132 08
Albany, Sixth	99 00	30 00		20 00			149 00
Bethlehem, First	52 00			205 00			257 00
Berne, Second	6 00						6 00
Clarksville	3 12					78	3 90
Coeymans		4 51		31 00			35 51
Delmar, First	49 35	12 17	6 00	110 00	125 00	10 00	312 52
Knox	14 00						14 00
New Baltimore	25 33	5 05	3 35	47 00			80 73
New Salem	20 54					4 32	24 86
Onesquethaw	20 00					2 00	22 00
Westerlo	5 00	3 00		5 25		6 60	19 85
W. M. Union				71 71			71 71
Total	1866 06	167 77	9 35	3532 75	125 00	158 74	5859 67
CLASSIS OF BERGEN							
Hackensack, First	836 79	40 00		1125 00		95 00	2096 79
Schraalenburg	8 53	25 00		64 00		10 06	107 59
English Neighborhood	8 72					8 72	17 44
Hackensack, Second	169 75			110 00	50 00		329 75
Hackensack, Third	8 00						8 00
Hackensack, Italian				25 00			25 00
Closter	34 50	15 00		58 00		10 00	117 50
North Hackensack	10 00	31 03		23 75		10 00	74 78
Spring Valley				12 00			12 00
Westwood	139 42	47 86	9 89	73 00			270 17
Oradell	61 64	43 98		85 80		74 91	266 33
Hasbrouck Heights	65 00			25 00		15 00	105 00
Highwood				5 00			5 00
Rochelle Park				15 00			15 00
Bogart Memorial	46 52		5 00	22 25		51 50	125 27
Harrington Park	27 00			62 50			89 50
W. M. Union				22 50			22 50
Total	1415 87	202 87	14 89	1728 80	50 00	275 19	3687 62

CLASSES AND CHURCHES	Churches and Societies.	Sunday Schools.	Young People's Societies.	Woman's Board.	Special.	Arabian Mission.	Total.
CLASSIS OF SOUTH BERGEN							
Jersey City, Bergen.....	476 78	32 25		311 10		40 87	861 00
Bayonne, First.....	237 00	40 00		55 00		18 70	350 70
Jersey City, First Van Vorst	171 00	23 25	9 00	72 95		5 00	231 20
Jersey City, Park.....	9 00			22 00		25 00	56 00
Bayonne, Fifth Street....	385 47	43 41	3 50	157 10		7 00	596 48
Hudson City, Second.....	90 90						90 90
Jersey City, Lafayette	387 10	37 17		27 05		19 66	470 98
Jersey City, Greenville		6 36		22 00			28 36
Bayonne, Third	5 00						5 00
Jersey City, Faith.....	100 93			96 62		33 65	231 20
W. M. Union.....				21 09			21 09
Total	1863 18	182 44	12 50	784 91		149 88	2992 91
CLASSIS OF CASCADES							
Lynden	39 34			30 00		42 14	111 48
Manhattan, First	48 56						48 56
Monarch				20 00		5 00	25 00
Montana, First	26 01					3 55	29 56
Yakima	150 00		20 00	20 00		42 56	232 56
Oak Harbor	88 38			30 00		22 28	140 66
San Francisco, Cal.....				25 00			25 00
Seattle, Wash.	20 00						20 00
Total	372 29		20 00	125 00		115 53	632 82
CLASSIS OF CHICAGO							
Chicago, First	435 00			30 00		160 00	625 00
Chicago, West Side Immanuel	89 57	110 27		50 00		90 13	339 97
Danforth	26 42	36 88		14 00		13 00	90 60
DeMott	327 52			24 25		18 74	370 51
Morrison, Ebenezer	408 64	30 00	45 00	25 00		15 00	523 64
Englewood, First	66 74	146 50		35 00		113 21	361 45
Fulton, First	462 09	50 80		70 00		24 13	607 02
Fulton, Second		120 00				34 00	154 00
Chicago, Gano	51 25	20 00		25 00		99 00	195 25
Indianapolis			43 00	3 20		5 00	51 20
Lafayette	14 16	10 00				10 60	34 76
Lansing	310 00	100 00		35 00		95 00	540 00
Mt. Greenwood	50 00	50 97		55 00		55 66	211 63
Newton, Fenton	58 67	24 48		65 00		46 39	194 54
Roseland, First	460 00	270 00		5 00	40 00	1612 00	2387 00
South Holland	911 09	212 57		105 00		216 12	1444 78
Spring Valley, Ustick	44 56	5 63		36 50		6 93	93 62
Summit	51 35			27 50		25 00	103 85
Wichert	68 13					15 00	83 13
W. M. Union.....				25 00		10 00	35 00
Total	3835 19	1188 10	88 00	630 45	40 00	2665 21	8446 95

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CLASSES AND CHURCHES	Churches and Societies.	Sunday Schools.	Young People's Societies.	Woman's Board.	Special.	Arabian Mission.	Total.
CLASSIS OF DAKOTA							
Aurora	71 00				7 00	15 50	93 50
Bemis, S. D.	15 00			5 00		5 00	25 00
Castlewood	71 20					20 00	91 20
Charles Mix				55 00			55 00
Corsica	30 00			15 00		6 00	51 00
Grand View, Armour	50 00					9 00	59 00
Harrison	279 20	41 00		229 75		115 45	665 40
Hull, American	160 00						160 00
Litchfield				10 00			10 00
Marion, North	73 89			84 00	50 00	121 70	329 59
Maurice, American	29 29		5 00	49 50		37 25	121 04
Monroe, Sandham Meml.	248 25	75 00		61 03	21 61	142 65	548 54
Orange City, American	1385 37	50 00		85 00		471 00	1991 37
Springfield	534 83	25 00		98 52		191 40	849 75
Tyndall	20 00						20 00
Westfield	218 36	56 06	3 80	134 45		50 00	462 67
Wimbledon, Dover		21 46		5 00			26 46
W. M. Union				54 30			54 30
Total	3186 39	268 52	8 80	886 55	78 61	1184 95	5613 82
CLASSIS OF GERMANIA							
Baker	10 00						10 00
Bethany	70 00			10 00		20 00	100 00
Bethel	10 00						10 00
Chancellor	75 00	8 00				23 00	106 00
Cromwell Center	50 00						50 00
Davis						22 00	22 00
Delaware				32 69		10 00	42 69
Dempster	76 50	12 00				12 50	101 00
Hope	30 00					10 00	40 00
Lenox, Second	93 95	3 65					97 60
Logan	10 00			10 83			20 83
Monroe, S. D.	57 00					13 00	70 00
North Sibley	15 00						15 00
Salem, Little Rock	140 85	25 75	20 00	10 00		20 00	216 60
Scotland	31 00					11 11	42 11
Strasburg, N. D.	35 00			25 00		15 00	75 00
Total	704 30	49 40	20 00	88 52		156 61	1018 83
CLASSIS OF GRAND RIVER							
Ada	7 07	8 68		18 00			33 75
Atwood	20 96			10 00		10 00	40 96
Beverly Mission	3 00			18 10			21 10
Byron Center	68 86	22 00		16 71		81 98	189 55
Coopersville	823 35	217 78	28 24	86 61		136 99	1292 97
Decatur	6 60			4 57			11 17
Detroit	173 05	60 14		38 00	15 00	79 87	366 06
Fremont	129 00	55 51	7 00	11 66		32 17	235 34
Grand Haven, First	316 83	231 87	15 00	120 00		108 27	791 97
Grand Rapids, Third	919 86	90 77	15 00	322 84		29 54	1378 01
Grand Rapids, Fourth	335 42	190 67		125 00		158 43	809 52

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CLASSES AND CHURCHES	Churches and Societies.	Sunday Schools.	Young People's Societies.	Woman's Board.	Special.	Arabian Mission.	Total.
CLASSIS OF GRAND RAPIDS (Continued)							
Grand Rapids, Fifth	1043 40	370 38		175 75		193 51	1783 04
Grand Rapids, Sixth	90 00	10 00				30 00	130 00
Grand Rapids, Seventh	210 37	172 50	62 00	65 00		59 66	569 53
Grand Rapids, Eighth	90 93	225 00	25 00	40 00		100 80	481 73
Grand Rapids, Ninth	25 00	150 00	5 00	33 00		100 00	313 00
Grandville	260 00	202 50		23 00		32 14	517 64
Kalamazoo, First		50 00		164 96		50 00	264 96
Kalamazoo, Third	450 00	45 00		65 00		75 00	635 00
Kalamazoo, Fourth	34 30		10 25	30 00			74 55
Falmouth	5 60						5 60
Lamont	4 00						4 00
Muskegon, First	81 50	104 88	6 00	140 00		45 00	377 38
Muskegon, Third	18 00			14 00		5 00	37 00
New Era	100 00	21 71		35 00		8 00	164 71
Plainfield	19 84					8 35	28 19
Portage	54 00	45 00	5 00	10 00		12 44	126 44
Rehoboth, Lucas	10 00			15 00		5 00	30 00
Spring Lake	63 25	93 75	65 00	53 00	4 00	97 50	376 50
Twin Lakes	13 60	45 00		18 00		23 60	100 20
Gr. Rapids Mission Fest. .	65 00					25 00	90 00
W. M. Union				28 81			28 81
Total	5442 79	2413 14	243 49	1682 01	19 00	1508 25	11308 68
CLASSIS OF GREENE							
Athens	42 02		2 00			15 00	59 02
Catskill				140 00		574 95	714 95
Coxsackie, First	28 00			77 50		4 55	1100 05
Coxsackie, Second	107 06	10 00		40 00		13 12	170 18
Kiskatom				30 00		10 00	40 00
Kiskatom, Bethel		6 00				6 00	12 00
Leeds	12 55			20 53		5 00	38 08
W. M. Union				12 00			12 00
Total	189 63	16 00	2 00	320 03		628 62	1156 28
CLASSIS OF HOLLAND							
Beaverdam	55 85			22 15		6 00	84 00
Cleveland, First	17 00			40 60		15 00	72 60
Cleveland, Calvary	262 40		10 00	140 00		82 00	494 40
Dunningville		13 05					13 05
East Overisel	86 72						86 72
Ebenezer	51 41	46 88		60 00		33 43	191 72
Graafschap	111 01	10 00	22 50			17 50	161 01
Hamilton	144 27	140 00		105 82		168 34	558 43
Harlem	10 41	5 00				4 43	19 84
Holland, First	421 76	100 00	15 00	90 00		608 54	1235 30
Holland, Third	1820 00	600 00	71 12	274 63		150 00	2915 75
Holland, Fourth	49 68	70 56	18 88	27 50		94 40	261 02
Holland, Sixth	7 00						7 00
Hudsonville				25 50			25 50
Jamestown, First	803 07			68 75	500 00	56 18	1428 00
Jamestown, Second	471 12			112 20		199 02	782 34

NOTE—Total for Coxsackie, First should read \$110.05

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CLASSIS OF HOLLAND (Continued)							
North Blendon	27 00		8 00	17 00		3 00	55 00
North Holland	233 00	12 00	10 00	50 00		239 77	544 77
Overisel	402 96	600 65	13 35	160 02	56 00	681 20	1914 18
South Blendon	19 98	60 52	12 95	37 00		21 74	152 19
Three Oaks	25 18	62 50		15 00		5 00	107 68
Vriesland	98 10	200 00	10 00	91 00		94 50	493 60
Zeeland, First	417 05	202 21		170 00		95 27	884 53
Zeeland, Second	1254 22			193 48		230 00	1677 70
Christian Ref. & Ref. Churches Fest., Cleveland	25 41						25 41
Colonial Mission Fest, Zeeland	275 00					75 00	350 00
W. M. Union				28 81			28 81
Total	7089 60	2123 37	191 80	1729 46	556 00	2880 32	14570 55
CLASSIS OF HUDSON							
Claverack	28 90	9 38	13 50	89 62		15 00	156 40
Gallatin	8 51	6 82		2 05			17 38
Germantown	119 58	16 61		15 00		15 00	166 19
Greenport	15 60			30 00			45 60
Hudson, First	168 92	59 09		75 51		23 50	327 02
Linthigo	88 25	21 25	3 00	15 00		10 45	137 95
Mellenville	85 01	19 29	22 85	10 03		36 45	173 63
Philmont	252 93			129 75			382 68
West Copake	25 87	11 00					36 87
W. M. Union				2 11			2 11
Total	793 57	143 44	39 35	369 07		100 40	1445 83
CLASSIS OF ILLINOIS							
Bethany, 2nd Roseland... ..	1329 59			68 00	20 89	67 00	1485 48
Engelwood, Second.....	20 00	131 00	4 00	58 60		51 50	265 10
Fairview	205 59	27 76	1 00	50 00	5 00	10 00	299 35
Westside Hungarian						15 00	15 00
Emmanuel		15 00		20 00		35 00	70 00
Northwestern		20 00		10 00		5 00	35 00
Manito				2 50			2 50
Raritan	6 90			19 00			25 90
Spring Lake, Ill.	16 36		2 50				18 86
Trinity	60 20	63 28		26 00		15 00	164 48
Total	1638 64	257 04	7 50	254 10	25 89	198 50	2381 67
CLASSIS OF KINGSTON							
Alligerville		5 00					5 00
Bloomington	79 42		4 40	26 22		23 65	133 69
High Falls, The Clove		20 00		30 00		11 00	61 00
Gardiner				13 00		14 82	27 82
Guilford				52 26			52 26
Hurley	65 00	19 00	7 00	41 00		23 00	155 00
Kingston, Fair Street.....	238 88	45 00		108 50	20 00	71 14	483 52

CLASSES AND CHURCHES	Churches and Societies.	Sunday Schools.	Young People's Societies.	Woman's Board.	Special.	Arabian Mission.	Total.
CLASSIS OF KINGSTON (Continued)							
Krumville	5 00			2 50		8 00	15 50
Lyonsville	3 00					8 00	11 00
Rifton, Dashville Falls						3 49	3 49
Stone Ridge, Marbletown	30 00	6 00	15 00	19 00		29 72	99 72
New Paltz	693 80			124 02		20 00	837 82
Accord, Rochester				47 50			47 50
Rosendale				2 00		2 55	4 55
Rosendale Plains				2 50		2 28	4 78
St. Remy				10 60		5 00	15 60
Marbletown, North	3 40			19 00		9 05	31 45
W. M. Union				15 00			15 00
Total	1118 50	95 00	26 40	513 10	20 00	231 70	2004 70
NORTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND							
Jamaica, First	548 45	35 00		351 02	5 00	150 50	1090 37
Newtown, Elmhurst	25 45	12 50		95 00			132 95
Oyster Bay				20 00			20 00
North Hempstead	37 50			20 00		22 50	80 00
Williamsburgh		30 00		62 50			92 50
Flushing	200 00			128 37		1216 68	1545 05
Kent St., Brooklyn	32 51			10 00		41 41	83 92
South Bushwick	54 83	41 80	36 00	170 00		7 78	310 41
Astoria, Second	10 00	7 00		10 00		3 00	30 00
Queens	28 01	47 30		147 61		20 00	242 92
Elmhurst German Evang.	15 00	16 00		8 64		12 00	51 64
Sayville	40 79		22 00	10 00	44 00	10 71	127 50
Locust Valley	150 00	25 00				25 00	200 00
College Point	209 28	80 00		17 50		87 75	394 53
Long Island City	10 00	11 10		45 00		10 00	76 10
Jamaica, Ger. Evang.	10 00						10 00
Steinway	25 00	20 00					45 00
New Hyde Park				5 00			5 00
Winfield	10 00			9 45			19 45
Ger. Evang., Far Rockaway	10 00						10 00
W. M. Union				25 00			25 00
Total	1417 22	325 70	58 00	1135 09	49 00	1607 33	4592 34
SOUTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND							
Bethany				32 00			32 00
Brooklyn, First	393 71			642 50		125 00	1161 21
Flatbush, First	675 95			375 00		15 00	1065 95
Grace	1632 23			152 50	1850 00		3634 73
New Utrecht	186 76	111 68		95 05		15 00	408 49
Gravesend, First	30 00	103 81		326 25		802 75	1262 81
Flatlands	44 65	46 18		75 62		30 00	196 45
Brooklyn, 12th Street	27 80			56 00			83 80
Forest Park		25 00		30 00			55 00
South Brooklyn	100 00	50 00		142 00		40 00	332 00
Church-on-Heights			80 00	237 70		745 00	1062 70
New Brooklyn	40 54						40 54

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SOUTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND (Continued)							
Canarsie	10 00			8 50			18 50
Ocean Hill	18 85	20 82				5 00	44 67
Edgewood	50 00			40 00			90 00
Ridgewood	10 00	3 00				5 00	18 00
Greenwood Heights	30 00			45 61			75 61
Bay Ridge	45 55			103 15			148 70
Woodlawn	25 00			54 50		10 00	89 50
St. Thomas, Virgin Islands	13 26						13 26
W. M. Union.....				39 66			39 66
Total	3334 30	360 49	80 00	2456 04	1850 00	1792 75	9873 58
CLASSIS OF MICHIGAN							
Hamilton, American	43 73	40 00		10 12		35 54	130 39
Allendale, Mich.				5 62			5 62
Grand Rapids, Bethany	369 62			606 67	62 00	95 00	1133 29
Grand Rapids, Bethel	42 00	82 92	4 25			16 00	145 17
Grand Rapids, Calvary	10 00	60 00				20 00	90 00
Grand Rapids, Grace	138 20	80 00		65 00		61 80	345 00
Grand Rapids, Central	1368 51	180 00		69 35	375 00	270 79	2263 65
Grand Rapids, Immanuel	135 00	75 00	10 00	76 29		50 00	346 29
Grand Rapids, Knap. Ave.	10 00						10 00
Grand Rapids, Trinity	121 12	20 00	23 29	21 50		10 00	195 91
Grand Rapids, Zion	35 00	15 00					50 00
Grand Haven, Second	54 78	32 50		80 00		122 75	290 03
Holland, Hope	1084 01	75 00		131 39	8 94		1299 34
Holland, Trinity	218 07	250 00	20 00	45 00	5 00	70 00	608 07
Kalamazoo, Bethany	160 65	47 57		100 00		40 00	348 22
Kalamazoo, North Park.. ..	87 72	110 16		81 15		198 82	477 85
Kalamazoo, Second	875 00			296 68		525 00	1696 68
Muskegon, Second	75 55		35 00	130 47		24 83	265 85
Muskegon, Unity	30 00		20 00	44 50		25 00	119 50
Kalamazoo Mission Fest.. ..	100 00			128 85		50 00	278 85
W. M. Union.....				28 80			28 80
Total	4958 96	1069 15	112 54	1921 39	450 94	1615 53	10128 51
CLASSIS OF MONMOUTH							
Freehold, First	46 22	10 00	5 00	117 44		38 50	217 16
Holmdel	16 48	12 00		41 07		5 23	74 78
Middletown	17 21			82 50		5 00	104 71
Freehold, Second.....	226 70	44 76		160 00		27 76	459 22
Keyport	40 00	10 00		24 92		5 00	79 92
Long Branch	2 89	3 79		42 20		2 00	50 88
Colt's Neck	8 00			25 00		5 00	38 00
Asbury Park	30 76	4 00		26 02		3 46	64 24
Red Bank	16 35	7 42		15 00		35 00	73 77
Total	404 61	91 97	5 00	534 15		126 95	1162 68

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CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY							
Amsterdam, First	46 25	28 36		88 92		18 94	182 47
Amsterdam, Trinity	45 94	15 00		76 50			137 44
Auriesville	7 43						7 43
Canajoharie	138 31			48 50			186 81
Columbia	2 00						2 00
Currytown				5 00			5 00
Florida	50 00	21 75		42 00		10 27	124 02
Fonda	52 16	10 00		90 36		20 00	172 52
Fort Plain	102 12	5 00		104 00		20 00	231 12
Fultonville	48 20					10 00	58 20
Glen	17 00			15 00			32 00
Hagaman	60 70	21 23		68 00		25 33	175 26
Herkimer	254 58	10 41		45 00		38 16	348 15
Interlaken	91 48			94 63		7 59	193 70
Sammonsville, Union	3 50						3 50
Johnstown	19 00	6 15		47 50			72 65
Lodi	50 00	10 00		55 85		27 00	142 85
Mohawk				3 93			3 93
Naumburg	10 00						10 00
Owasco	45 00			15 00			60 00
Owasco Outlet	35 00						35 00
St. Johnsville	37 50			55 00	1 00	5 00	98 50
Sprakers	2 45			4 00			6 45
Syracuse, First	6 00			150 00		10 00	166 00
Syracuse, Second	57 00			15 00			72 00
Thousand Islands	5 00	4 00	10 00				19 00
Utica, Christ Ch.	64 34			97 10		10 00	171 44
West Leyden		4 00	6 80				10 80
W. M. Union				43 00			43 00
Total	1250 96	135 90	16 80	1164 29	1 00	202 29	2771 24
CLASSIS OF NEWARK							
Belleville	100 67	16 95		37 83		45 67	201 12
Newark, First	100 00			60 00		10 00	170 00
Irvington, First				35 00			35 00
New York Avenue	1 74	8 68		27 40		5 00	42 82
Nutley, Franklin	100 00			28 00		50 00	178 00
Newark, North	1514 44		15 00	379 82		65 00	1974 26
Newark, Clinton Avenue ..	852 76	25 00		290 00		31 22	1198 98
Newark, Trinity	24 53	30 00		33 46			87 99
Linden	45 00	26 62				10 00	81 62
Newark, Christ	53 45			70 00			123 45
Brookdale	11 80	6 60	12 00	6 00			36 40
Orange, First	336 75		21 49	583 36		51 49	993 09
Plainfield, Trinity	5 00			61 10	5 00	800 00	871 10
Montclair Heights	180 00			78 00			258 00
Orange, Hyde Park	27 44	3 88		203 71	5 00	7 32	247 35
Netherwood				5 00			5 00
Marconner	5 00						5 00
W. M. Union				77 25			77 25
Total	3358 58	117 73	48 49	1975 93	10 00	1075 70	6586 43

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CLASSIS OF NEW BRUNSWICK							
New Brunswick, First....	296 00	100 00		133 22			529 22
Six Mile Run, Franklin Pk.	434 98			215 00		60 06	710 04
Hillsborough, Millstone	60 17			159 80		41 19	261 16
Middlebush	49 78			56 00			105 78
Griggstown	35 95			118 70		24 75	179 40
New Brunswick, Second....	800 00	10 00		261 67		125 00	1196 67
Bound Brook	118 87			84 85		10 17	213 89
East Millstone	15 27	13 66		58 10			87 03
Metuchen	331 34	14 08		55 25		53 00	453 67
New Brunswick, Suydam St.	228 36	60 00		664 45		1 25	954 06
Highland Park		12 50		40 96			53 46
Rocky Hill	34 81			35 00		15 00	84 81
Spotswood	25 00	2 65		20 00			47 65
Perth Amboy, St. Paul's..	10 00					3 00	13 00
W. M. Union.....				23 87			23 87
Total	2440 33	212 89		1926 87		333 42	4913 71
CLASSIS OF NEW YORK							
New York Collegiate	12403 03	108 01	10 00	11292 17	3094 32	1582 01	28489 54
Thirty-fourth Street....	85 00	35 00		25 00		40 00	185 00
Knox Memorial.....	316 80	30 00		57 90	75 00	10 00	489 70
Vermilye Chapel.....				15 00	15 00	40 00	70 00
Harlem, Lenox Avenue....	144 06			60 00		600 00	804 06
Elmendorf Chapel	48 33	75 00		21 88		25 00	170 21
Port Richmond, S. I.....	79 35	75 00		115 25		46 75	316 35
Fordham Manor.....	52 00			50 00			102 00
Sixty-eighth St., German..	60 00					25 00	85 00
Manor Chapel	17 09			26 85			43 94
Zion, German Evang.....	30 00	5 00		23 00		15 00	73 00
West Farms	25 73					9 04	34 77
Huguenot Park				9 50			9 50
Mott Haven	71 38					24 97	96 35
Melrose, German	5 00						5 00
Fourth German		15 00	65 00	30 00			110 00
Brighton Heights	800 00		5 10	172 00			977 10
Union High Bridge.....	107 78	40 00	10 00	160 00		60 64	378 42
Avenue B, German	10 00						10 00
Grace	200 00					50 00	250 00
Hamilton Grange	166 44	10 00		85 00		36 94	298 38
Anderson Memorial				10 00			10 00
Comforter	58 55			10 62			69 17
Bethany Memorial	125 00	50 00		122 78		29 00	326 78
Mariner's Harbor	10 00			3 50			13 50
McKee, Ky.				5 00			5 00
Mescalero, N. M.		8 34					8 34
Annville, Ky.	26 80						26 80
Vermilye Memorial	10 00			15 00			25 00
Winnebago, Nebr.				37 50			37 50
Total	14852 34	451 35	90 10	12347 95	3184 32	2594 35	33520 41

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CLASSIS OF ORANGE							
Bloomingsburg				10 00			10 00
Callicoon	17 50						17 50
Cuddybackville	10 86						10 86
Ellenville	354 32			33 00		10 40	397 72
Woodbourne, Fallsburgh ..	19 77					9 73	29 50
Grahamsville	10 00						10 00
Wurtsboro, Mamakating ..	36 00						36 00
Montgomery	188 85					62 95	251 80
Newburgh, American	311 50	50 00	2 50	110 26		82 76	557 02
New Hurley	135 75	16 50		35 00			187 25
New Prospect, Pine Bush ..	35 65			62 50		40 18	138 33
Port Jervis, Deer Park	122 00	50 00		52 50		32 00	256 50
Port Jervis, West End	10 00	3 00				2 00	15 00
Shawangunk	59 06	56 42		35 00		10 56	161 04
Walden				119 00		450 00	569 00
Wallkill	46 27	20 00	20 00	121 67	20 00		227 94
Warwarsing	5 00						5 00
W. M. Union				8 50			8 50
Total	1362 53	195 92	22 50	587 43	20 00	700 58	2888 96
CLASSIS OF PALISADES							
New Durham, Grove	750 00			150 00	600 00	100 00	1600 00
North Bergen	40 00	35 00	2 00	200 00		35 00	312 00
Hoboken, German Evang. ..	15 00	55 00					70 00
Coytesville	5 66			52 00		13 94	71 60
Guttenburg	58 31			15 00			73 31
Jersey City, Central Ave. ..	512 53	50 00		200 69		163 90	927 12
West Hoboken, First	700 00			107 63	200 00		1007 63
West, New York, Trinity ..				65 00		60 00	125 00
Woodcliff	161 55			20 00	65 00	32 95	279 50
W. M. Union				39 00			39 00
Total	2243 05	140 00	2 00	849 32	865 00	405 79	4505 16
CLASSIS OF PARAMUS							
Passaic, First	912 21	208 33		1154 29		120 00	2394 83
Athenia	60 29	7 68		36 31			104 28
Clarkstown	14 07			27 56		7 00	48 63
Clifton	213 52			32 50		12 50	258 52
Clifton, Holland	24 16	34 63		10 00		31 50	100 29
Garfield	14 00	5 00					19 00
Glen Rock		22 36					22 36
Hawthorne	40 00					2 22	42 22
Hohokus	40 18			5 00			45 18
Lodi, First Holland	65 12			23 50		7 00	95 62
Lodi, Second	23 00						23 00
North Paterson	23 31						23 31
Paramus	52 63	82 37	84 08	137 00		26 25	382 33
Pascack	100 00	50 00		27 00			177 00
Passaic, First Holland	625 00	100 00	10 00	128 34	225 00	90 00	1178 34
Passaic, North	884 29			120 30		45 78	1050 37

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CLASSIS OF PARAMUS (Continued)							
Paterson, Broadway	545 60			72 50	26 00	10 00	654 10
Paterson, Ch. of Covenant.	78 63			45 67			124 32
Paterson, First Holland...	875 00						875 00
Paterson, Second	53 56	60 00		62 00		36 28	211 84
Piermont	15 00	10 00		38 00	2 00	5 00	70 00
Ramapo	156 85			61 07		40 00	257 92
Ridgewood	1066 00	60 00	15 00	136 00		930 00	2207 00
Upper Ridgewood	58 58						58 58
Saddle River, N. J.....	10 22	3 60		14 00			27 82
Spring Valley	55 55	50 00		156 58			262 13
Tappan	35 00			100 97		2 00	137 97
Waldwick	2 00	2 50		2 50			7 00
Warwick	240 27	76 01	25 00	147 16		42 28	530 72
West New Hempstead....	18 00			10 40			28 40
Wortendyke, 1st Holland.	18 96			60 15		11 73	90 84
Wortendyke, Trinity	24 75	14 54		26 00			65 29
W. M. Union				37 79			37 79
Total	6345 77	787 02	134 08	2672 59	253 00	1419 54	11612 00
CLASSIS OF PASSAIC							
Boonton	29 00	7 50		5 00		25 00	66 50
Little Falls, First	153 54	34 10		47 50	36 21	55 91	327 26
Little Falls, Second	96 00			6 00			102 00
Montville	30 00						30 00
Mountain Lakes	45 00	5 00		27 50			77 50
Paterson, People's Park...	108 50				25 00	20 00	153 50
Pompton	64 33			93 66		39 12	197 11
Pompton Plains	181 42	24 30		118 17		5 84	329 73
Preakness	29 08			8 92	5 00		43 00
Riverside	111 91	13 37		9 20			134 48
Paterson, Sixth Holland.	800 00			675 00	1501 77		2976 77
Paterson, Union	90 00	120 00	10 00	5 00	100 00	35 00	360 00
Wanaque	28 00						28 00
Wyckoff	16 80			10 00		2 40	29 20
W. M. Union				41 35			41 35
Total	1783 58	204 27	10 00	1047 30	1667 98	183 27	4896 40
CLASSIS OF PELLA							
Bethany, Sully		11 75		10 25		4 93	26 93
Bethel		15 75		50 00			65 75
Ebenezer, Leighton	162 34	8 27	60 19	50 00		64 62	345 42
Eddyville	10 00			30 00		5 00	45 00
Galesburg	3 69			5 00			8 69
Killduff	21 00	4 00		15 00		8 67	48 67
New Sharon	25 00	10 00		35 00		13 58	83 58
Oskaloosa	6 50					5 50	12 00
Otley	171 44	69 69		85 00		95 50	421 63
Pella, First	1050 00	150 00		102 50		217 00	1519 50
Pella, Second			25 00	886 00		95 00	1006 00
Pella, Third	84 23	100 00		808 00		73 96	1126 19

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CLASSES OF PELLA (Continued)							
Prairie City	30 07	34 34	45 00	5 00	114 41
Sully	5 50	14 94	10 00	10 25	28 41	69 10
East Prairie .....	.....	.....	.....	30 00	.....	.....	30 00
Pella, Ia., Miss. Fest.....	270 67	.....	.....	.....	.....	90 22	360 89
W. M. Union.....	.....	.....	.....	43 00	.....	.....	43 00
Total	1840 44	418 74	95 19	2265 00	.....	707 39	5326 76
CLASSIS OF PHILADELPHIA							
North and Southampton..	186 32	22 41	.....	6 27	.....	23 57	238 57
Neshanic	87 24	32 50	.....	90 00	.....	28 42	238 16
Philadelphia, First	40 46	.....	.....	42 62	.....	193 56	276 64
Philadelphia, Fourth	161 36	.....	.....	54 00	.....	.....	215 36
Philadelphia, Fifth	45 00	.....	15 00	5 00	.....	.....	65 00
Harlingen	137 04	10 66	.....	107 50	.....	34 17	289 37
Johnsville, Pa. ....	.....	9 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	9 25
Blawenburg, N. J.	47 60	5 86	.....	34 00	.....	.....	87 46
Stanton	16 50	2 00	8 50	12 00	.....	12 00	51 00
Clover Hill	18 00	.....	.....	14 00	.....	.....	32 00
Richboro, Addisville.....	67 80	25 00	3 50	27 50	.....	50 10	173 90
Three Bridges	12 00	.....	6 00	36 12	.....	10 00	64 12
Talmage Memorial	140 00	.....	.....	15 00	.....	50 00	205 00
Pleasant View, N. J.....	.....	45 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	45 00
W. M. Union.....	.....	.....	.....	8 91	.....	.....	8 91
Total	959 32	152 68	33 00	452 92	.....	401 82	1999 74
CLASSIS OF PLEASANT PRAIRIE							
Alexander	73 80	.....	.....	20 40	.....	8 00	102 20
Aplington	162 25	.....	.....	51 30	.....	10 00	223 55
Baileyville	50 00	.....	.....	20 00	.....	10 00	80 00
Bristow	38 92	.....	.....	10 51	.....	5 00	54 43
Buffalo Center	243 96	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	243 96
Dumont	58 20	.....	.....	.....	.....	12 00	70 20
Ebenezer, Oregon	140 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	30 00	170 00
Elim, Kings	30 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	.....	6 00	51 00
Fairview, Iowa	38 92	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	43 92
Forreston	250 00	60 00	.....	5 00	.....	25 00	340 00
Immanuel, Belmond	90 00	.....	.....	25 00	.....	.....	115 00
Meservey	50 00	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	75 00
Parkersburg	100 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	100 00
Pekin, Second .....	.....	3 00	.....	.....	10 00	.....	13 00
Peoria .....	.....	.....	.....	7 00	14 33	.....	21 33
Silver Creek, German Valley	321 42	33 00	.....	110 00	.....	.....	464 42
Stout .....	.....	12 91	.....	.....	.....	.....	12 91
Washington	112 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	18 00	130 00
Wellsburg	35 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	35 00
Zion, Chapin	159 00	21 35	10 00	11 00	201 35
Total	1953 47	138 91	26 35	264 21	24 33	140 00	2547 27

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CLASSIS OF POUGHKEEPSIE							
Poughkeepsie	281 21	60 00		35 00		17 76	393 97
Fishkill	60 88			28 25		13 78	102 91
Hopewell	76 20			28 00			104 20
New Hackensack	81 00	10 60		27 30			118 90
Rhinebeck	89 00	25 00		102 25		12 00	228 25
Fishkill-on-Hudson (Beacon)	208 49	33 62	51 86	99 00		20 00	412 97
Hyde Park				5 00			5 00
Millbrook	200 89			30 00		20 00	250 89
Arlington, First				25 00			25 00
Upper Red Hook	68 61			57 60		6 85	133 06
Total	1066 28	129 22	51 86	437 40		90 39	1775 15
CLASSIS OF RARITAN							
Raritan, First	468 23	51 91		132 90		85 75	738 79
Readington	40 59	27 60	5 00	65 25	1 08	17 71	157 23
Bedminster	151 00	19 07		126 15		179 30	475 52
Lebanon	106 73			124 00		31 67	262 40
Rockaway	10 00			65 50		3 34	78 84
North Branch	43 71	12 23		158 02		61 43	275 39
Raritan, Second				342 38		1046 22	1388 60
Peapack	63 58	13 00	11 65	57 37		2 00	147 60
South Branch	86 65	18 60		48 55		7 88	161 68
Raritan, Third	52 65	48 05		88 00		44 00	232 70
High Bridge	30 20	17 13		78 84			126 17
Annandale	7 46	11 73	3 00	2 50			24 69
Raritan, Fourth	25 00			11 50		10 00	46 50
New Center				53 50			53 50
W. M. Union				42 50			42 50
Total	1085 80	219 32	19 65	1396 96	1 08	1489 30	4212 11
CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER							
Blooming Grove	20 00	16 39	8 14	37 07		5 00	86 00
De Forestville (Blooming Grove Ch.)		19 65					19 65
Castleton	60 00			5 00		5 00	70 00
Chatham	37 50			58 00		40 00	135 50
Ghent, First	5 32			54 08		4 00	63 40
Ghent, Second	22 15		4 00	52 37		5 00	83 52
Greenbush	30 00	7 50		66 10		27 00	130 60
Kinderhook	131 18	150 00	35 00	46 76		20 28	383 22
Nassau	42 00	10 15		47 25		29 75	129 15
New Concord	2 35						2 35
Rensselaer, First				20 00			20 00
Schodack	5 00			14 00		2 00	21 00
Schodack Landing	50 00			5 00			55 00
Stuyvesant	6 31			25 00			31 31
W. M. Union				3 00			3 00
Total	411 81	203 69	47 14	433 63		138 03	1234 30

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CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER							
Clymer, Abbe	720 00	80 00	15 00	50 00		685 00	1550 00
Arcadia, Newark	88 28	23 14		37 60		28 06	177 08
Brighton	85 60	33 81	4 00	25 00		16 20	164 61
Buffalo	25 00			31 00		5 00	61 00
Clymer Hill	71 48	42 49		25 98		15 45	155 40
East Williamson	86 28		26 25	784 00		36 55	933 08
Marion, First	25 00	60 00		45 00		60 00	190 00
Marion, Second	64 08	31 31	47 00	49 44	10 00	59 76	261 59
Ontario	45 20	27 33		52 25		15 00	139 78
Palmyra	63 60			26 70		10 00	100 30
Pultneyville	130 30	85 00		45 00		69 13	329 43
Rochester, First	297 00	158 33	10 00	79 10	25 00	10 00	579 43
Rochester, Second	250 84	24 56		30 72		80 52	386 64
Sodus	38 87	12 60		7 00		7 00	65 47
Tyre		75 75					75 75
Williamson	30 85	22 38				13 10	66 33
Cl. of Rochester Mis. Fest.	156 68					26 58	183 26
Total	2179 06	676 70	102 25	1288 79	35 00	1137 35	5419 15
CLASSIS OF SARATOGA							
The Boght		11 00		25 96			36 96
Bushkirks	25 00			47 90		15 00	87 90
Cohoes	135 00	35 23		268 00	200 00	2 00	640 23
Fort Miller	10 00			6 52			16 52
Gansevoort				9 26			9 26
Greenwich	182 11			73 50			255 61
Northumberland (Bacon Hill)	8 73			36 60		6 36	51 69
Saratoga	19 80	25 00		18 00		12 85	75 65
West Troy, North	39 85			82 00		16 95	138 80
Wynantskill	4 00			24 00			28 00
Total	424 49	71 23		591 74	200 00	53 16	1340 62
CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY							
Altamont	44 49			84 55		5 00	134 04
Vischer's Ferry	9 40			33 00			42 40
Glenville, First	22 00	9 20		70 00		10 00	111 20
Heldenburg	29 19			50 75		10 86	90 80
Lisha's Kill	18 00			78 00			96 00
Niskayuna	64 50	25 00		280 57		30 00	400 07
Princeton	15 00			50 78			65 78
Rotterdam, First	24 07			81 18			105 25
Rotterdam, Second				44 00			44 00
Schenectady, First	66 49			256 62		11 46	334 57
Schenectady, Second	1079 06	14 00	15 00	175 00		35 00	1318 06
Bellevue	829 78	29 98		267 89		29 27	1156 92
Hope Chapel S. S.						10 00	10 00
Mt. Pleasant	80 00			151 00		40 00	271 00
Scotia	172 00	12 31		141 12		17 00	342 43
Woodlawn	16 74	3 66	3 50	28 27			52 17
W. M. Union				70 52			70 52
Total	2470 72	94 15	18 50	1863 25		198 59	4645 21

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CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE							
Beaverdam	6 68						6 68
Berne	26 00			55 75		10 00	91 75
Cobleskill	30 16			6 82		10 04	47 02
Gilboa				72			72
Howes Cave, First	21 00			14 50			35 50
Howes Cave, Second	31 00			24 00		5 00	60 00
Lawyersville	20 80	9 00		67 85			97 65
Middleburgh	68 58		5 33	14 50		24 51	112 92
North Blenheim				5 00			5 00
Schoharie		15 20		10 00			25 20
Sharon	15 00			29 20			44 20
W. M. Union.....				10 26			10 26
Total	219 22	24 20	5 33	238 60		49 55	536 90
CLASSIS OF EAST SIOUX							
Alton, First	1171 17	91 73	40 00	117 30	620 00	60 00	2100 20
Archer	110 00	30 00	7 00	37 50		15 00	199 50
Bigelow	3 25	4 00		3 25		5 15	15 05
Boyden	1003 65	300 00		185 00	1597 00	55 00	3140 65
Firth, Nebr.	10 00				26 00	5 00	41 00
Free Grace, Middleburg...	110 26	10 00	10 00	160 00		145 00	435 26
Holland, Nebr.	437 50	60 25		286 80	1319 69	377 45	2481 69
Hospers	185 00	220 00	25 32	101 00		50 00	581 32
Ireton	96 85	10 50		45 00			152 35
Lester	10 04					10 52	20 56
Luctor	5 00	18 00		50 00			73 00
Matlock, Ia.						7 00	7 00
Melvin				7 00		4 41	11 41
Newkirk	1335 13	200 00	55 00	65 00		69 85	1724 98
Orange City, First	2249 82	305 55	44 00	622 68	705 00	939 00	4866 05
Pella, Nebr.	10 00	20 00	19 26	34 45	584 00	48 60	716 31
Prairie View, Kans.	111 28	150 00		63 50		108 25	433 03
Rotterdam, Cawker City..	25 50	5 00		5 00		10 60	46 10
Rock Rapids	11 03			30 00		10 42	51 45
Sanborn	40 58	70 88				15 81	127 27
Sheldon	180 00		27 30	65 00		15 00	287 30
Sibley	20 80			8 80		10 57	40 17
Sioux City		2 34		2 80		85 30	90 44
Wichita	5 00						5 00
W. M. Union.....				38 25			38 25
Total	7131 86	1498 25	227 88	1928 33	4851 69	2047 93	17685 94
CLASSIS OF WEST SIOUX							
Alvord		16 50				17 16	33 66
Bethel, Leota	376 05			81 00		75 00	532 05
Carmel	178 44	89 02		100 00		13 91	381 37
Chandler	195 55	13 00	2 80	21 00		10 00	242 35
Clara City	19 52			9 00			28 52
Doon	28 63	20 00	5 00	35 00		26 58	115 21
Edgerton	75 00	21 52		40 00		55 00	191 52
Fairview						5 00	5 00
Friesland (Sandstone)....				20 00			20 00
Fruitland Mesa, Colo....	40 00						40 00

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CLASSIS OF WEST SIOUX							
Hull, First	1205 54	119 44	30 00	260 00		35 00	1649 98
Inwood	35 80	67 69		12 50			115 99
Maurice, First	203 84	126 92	5 00	137 50		600 00	1073 26
Rock Valley	97 87	195 00		245 00		32 30	570 17
Roseland, Minn. (Svea)...	111 49			18 00		57 92	187 41
Sandstone	15 50					8 44	23 94
Silver Creek, Maple Lake.	141 60			7 50		52 65	201 75
Sioux Center, First	2987 85	226 50		404 25	138 25	79 05	3835 90
Sioux Center, Central ..	910 82	59 36	17 50	35 00	158 00	225 00	1405 68
Spring Creek				23 25			23 25
Steen	125 17	55 00		54 25		85 00	319 42
Twin Brooks	21 15						21 15
Valley Springs, S. D.				30 00			30 00
Volga	18 14					5 89	24 03
Sioux County Churches...	1713 27					1583 66	3296 93
W. M. Union				38 25			38 25
Total	8501 23	1009 95	60 30	1571 50	296 25	2967 56	14406 79
CLASSIS OF ULSTER							
Comforter	22 60	25 00	5 03	47 00		7 00	106 63
Esopus	6 50			5 00			11 50
Flatbush, Lake Katrine...	9 82		1 00	20 62		2 83	34 27
High Woods	9 13					1 65	10 78
Jay Gould Memorial, Roxbury				20 00			20 00
Katsbaan	16 63						16 63
Kingston, First	369 71	35 00		177 58		70 00	652 29
Port Ewen	15 52	5 00	5 33	11 00		8 03	44 88
Plattekill, Mt. Marion...	14 42	5 00				2 84	22 26
Saugerties	90 00	10 00		86 02		15 00	201 02
West Hurley	7 00						7 00
Woodstock	17 50						17 50
Total	578 83	80 00	11 36	367 22		107 35	1144 76
CLASSIS OF WESTCHESTER							
Bronxville	129 94	66 80		444 02	352 00	484 80	1477 56
Cortlandtown, Montrose ..	10 40		6 80	108 75		3 00	128 95
Greenville	13 00			26 00		3 00	42 00
Hastings	10 00	15 00					25 00
Mt. Vernon	155 21	60 00		146 25	1 25	67 70	430 41
Mile Square	15 00			4 00		7 00	26 00
Nyack	300 94						300 94
Park Hill, Yonkers	450 80	20 96		247 00		54 71	773 47
Peekskill (Van Nest)				12 50		12 50	25 00
Tarrytown, First	248 79			293 30		25 00	567 09
Tarrytown, Second	58 70	65 00		109 00		15 00	247 70
Hawthorne, Unionville...	4 13	1 51		21 00			26 64
Yonkers, First				93 00		17 00	110 00
W. M. Union				40 86		20 86	61 72
Total	1396 91	229 27	6 80	1545 68	353 25	710 57	4242 48

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CLASSIS OF WISCONSIN							
Alto	1146 52	251 02	118 01	413 25	186 10	800 00	2914 90
Baldwin	206 25			81 00	13 00	40 50	340 75
Cedar Grove	366 63			124 00		125 00	615 63
Forrestville	13 90					8 55	22 45
Gibbsville	292 99	75 00	20 00	185 00		134 40	707 39
Greenleafston	421 60	101 01	8 70	170 00	162 75	215 66	1079 72
Hingham	157 00	40 00	15 00	100 50		80 75	393 25
Hope, Sheboygan	92 50	26 75	6 50	19 50		20 50	165 75
Milwaukee, First	143 27	80 00	20 00	276 25		95 00	614 52
Oostburg	70 00	48 43		55 00		54 62	228 05
Randolph	39 41			11 00		68 00	118 41
Friesland	222 00				200 00	70 00	492 00
Sheboygan Falls	75 00	7 38		27 50	2 50	12 00	124 38
Sheboygan Co. Miss. Fest.	100 00					65 00	165 00
Vesper, Wis.	11 98					5 44	17 42
Waupun	257 04	166 21		221 26	61 00	160 00	865 51
Whiteside Co. Mis. Fest..	90 00						90 00
Alto, Friesland, Randolph, Waupun Union M. Fest.	284 25					141 62	425 87
Total	3990 34	795 80	188 21	1684 26	625 35	2097 04	9381 00

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PARTICULAR SYNOD OF ALBANY							
Albany	1866 06	167 77	9 35	3532 75	125 00	158 74	5859 67
Greene	189 63	16 00	2 00	320 03		628 62	1156 28
Montgomery	1250 96	135 90	16 80	1164 29	1 00	202 29	2771 24
Rensselaer	411 81	203 69	47 14	433 63		138 03	1234 30
Rochester	2179 06	676 70	102 25	1288 79	35 00	1137 35	5419 15
Saratoga	424 49	71 23		591 74	200 00	53 16	1340 62
Schenectady	2470 72	94 15	18 50	1863 25		198 59	4645 21
Schoharie	219 22	24 20	5 33	238 60		49 55	536 90
Ulster	578 83	80 00	11 36	367 22		107 35	1144 76
Totals	9590 78	1469 64	212 73	9800 30	361 00	2673 68	24108 13
PARTICULAR SYNOD OF CHICAGO							
Cascades	372 29		20 00	125 00		115 53	632 82
Chicago	3835 19	1188 10	88 00	630 45	40 00	2665 21	8446 95
Dakota	3186 39	268 52	8 80	886 55	78 61	1184 95	5613 82
Germania	704 30	49 40	20 00	88 52		156 61	1018 83
Grand River	5442 79	2413 14	243 49	1682 01	19 00	1508 25	11308 68
Holland	7089 60	2123 37	191 80	1729 46	556 00	2880 32	14570 55
Illinois	1638 64	257 04	7 50	254 10	25 89	198 50	2381 67
Michigan	4958 96	1069 15	112 54	1921 39	450 94	1615 53	10128 51
Pella	1840 44	418 74	95 19	2265 00		707 39	5326 76
Pleasant Prairie	1953 47	138 91	26 35	264 21	24 33	140 00	2547 27
East Sioux	7131 86	1498 25	227 88	1928 33	4851 69	2047 93	17685 94
West Sioux	8501 23	1009 95	60 30	1571 50	296 25	2967 56	14406 79
Wisconsin	3990 34	795 80	188 21	1684 26	625 35	2097 04	9381 00
Totals	50645 50	11230 37	1290 06	15030 78	6968 06	18284 82	103449 59
PARTICULAR SYNOD OF NEW BRUNSWICK							
Bergen	1415 87	202 87	14 89	1728 80	50 00	275 19	3687 62
So. Cl. of Bergen	1863 18	182 44	12 50	784 91		149 88	2992 91
Monmouth	404 61	91 97	5 00	534 15		126 95	1162 68
Newark	3358 58	117 73	48 49	1975 93	10 00	1075 70	6586 43
New Brunswick	2440 53	212 89		1926 87		333 42	4913 71
Palisades	2243 05	140 00	2 00	849 32	865 00	405 79	4505 16
Paramus	6345 77	787 02	134 08	2672 59	253 00	1419 54	11612 00
Passaic	1783 58	204 27	10 00	1047 30	1667 98	183 27	4896 40
Philadelphia	959 32	152 68	33 00	452 92		401 82	1999 74
Raritan	1085 80	219 32	19 65	1396 96	1 08	1489 30	4212 11
Totals	21900 29	2311 19	279 61	13369 75	2847 06	5860 86	46568 76
PARTICULAR SYNOD OF NEW YORK							
Hudson	793 57	143 44	39 35	369 07		100 40	1445 83
Kingston	1118 50	95 00	26 40	513 10	20 00	231 70	2004 70
No. Cl. of Long Island...	1417 22	325 70	58 00	1135 09	49 00	1607 33	4592 34
So. Cl. of Long Island...	3334 30	360 49	80 00	2456 04	1850 00	1792 75	9873 58
New York	14852 34	451 35	90 10	12347 95	3184 32	2594 35	33520 41
Orange	1362 53	195 92	22 50	587 43	20 00	700 58	2888 96
Poughkeepsie	1066 28	129 22	51 86	437 40		90 39	1775 15
Westchester	1396 91	229 27	6 80	1545 68	353 25	710 57	4242 48
Totals	25341 65	1930 39	375 01	19391 76	5476 57	7828 07	60343 45
Grand Totals.....	107478 22	16941 59	2157 41	57592 58	15652 69	34647 43	234469 93

FROM INDIVIDUALS—NOT THROUGH CHURCHES.

"A Friend"	\$ 10.00	Fakkima, Mrs. M.....	18.00
"A Friend"	50.00	Fisher, Miss A. V. W.....	133.00
"A Friend"	10.00	Foeturn, Wm.	20.00
"A Friend"	25.00	Francis, Rev. Lewis, D. D....	50.00
"A Friend of the Cause"....	50.00	Gilman, Carey M.....	25.00
"A Friend of Missions".....	40.00	Glastonbury, Conn., First Ch.	
"A Friend of Missions".....	10.00	of Christ S. S.....	25.00
"A Friend of Missions".....	50.00	Goljenboom, Mrs. G.....	200.00
"A Friend of Missions".....	15.00	Griep, M.	5.00
"A Friend, Ref. Ch., Boyden,		Gulick, Rev. & Mrs. Geo. W..	5.00
Iowa"	25.00	Hansen, Andrew	4.00
"A Friend, Newkirk, Iowa"...	50.00	Harper, Richard & family....	5.00
"A Friend, 1st Ref. Ch., Roch-		Harris, S. G.....	100.00
ester, N. Y."	65.00	Hemmes, R.	1.00
"Aged Couple, Sioux Center,		Hibma, P. T.....	25.00
Iowa"	10.00	Hibma, S.	10.00
"A Member, Knox Mem'l"...	100.00	Hoffman, John D.....	1.00
"A Tithing Family, Westfield,		Hungerink, John	20.00
N. D."	25.00	"In Memoriam"	10.00
Afman, Wm. & Ben.....	6.00	"In Memory of Mother"....	120.00
Babcock, Mary L.....	25.00	"In Memory of Father A. J.	
Beardslee, John.....	20.00	Nagel"	20.00
Beekman, Dr. John B.....	25.00	"In Memory of Rev. John	
Bellinger, Wm.	61.50	Van Buren"	25.00
Bennett, Frank	2.00	"In Memory of W".....	100.00
"Birthday Gift, March 31st"	200.00	J. C. H.....	20.00
Bogardus, Carrie E.....	6.00	J. C. H.—M. L.....	14.28
Boone, Johanna	150.90	Kanten, Jennie (dec'd).....	10.00
Braker, Mr. & Mrs.....	8.00	Ketchum, Legrand W.....	500.00
Bruggers, William	25.00	Kieth, James D.....	50.00
Chamberlain, D. L.....	10.00	"Kingston, N. Y.".....	100.00
Chicago Missionary Committee	75.00	Knickel, Herman J.....	7.00
Chrestensen, Rev. D. H....	7.60	Kooiker, G. J.....	35.00
Churchville, Pa., French Class	25.53	Kooistra, Samuel (dec'd)....	102.80
Clark, Maude S.....	10.00	Labaw, Rev. George W.....	5.00
Cortelyou, Peter	200.00	Lake, Agnes	60.00
Corwin, Rev. Charles.....	2.00	Lansing, J. Townsend.....	200.00
Craig, Rev. Horace.....	18.00	Lawling, Rev. Sidney O.....	10.00
Cuff, William	70.00	Lutters, R.	50.00
De Jong's, Savings of children	5.26	Manton, Elsie (dec'd).....	20.00
De Kleine Syndicate.....	500.00	Martens, C.	10.00
Den Herder, J.....	10.00	Meadowcroft, Wm. H.....	7.50
De Schutter, J.....	5.00	Mouw, Mr. & Mrs. Peter....	1,000.00
De Vries, Mrs. Cornelius....	50.00	Mulder, Dr. & Mrs.....	25.00
Dubbink, Jennie	5.00	Mulder, Misses	20.00
Dumont, Mrs. E. A.....	100.00	Murray, Mrs. David.....	30.00
"D. S. M."	25.00	Muskegon, Mich., Independent	
Estate of George Cleveland...	188.24	Ref. Ch.	10.35
Estate of Julia Gruis.....	175.00	Mulford, H. D. P.....	25.00
Emerick, Rev. & Mrs.....	5.00	Muyskens, Mr. & Mrs. J.....	15.00
Engelsman, Master .....	.10	North Clymer, N. Y., Ruslink	
"E. A. W."	10.00	Reunion	3.80

Oggel, Rev. & Mrs. V.....	5.00	Two Friends	5.00
Olcott, Charles	50.00	Two Friends of Missions.....	25.00
Olcott, Mrs. E. E.....	275.00	Two Old Friends.....	2,150.00
O'Linde, J. Van.....	5.00	Te Selle, J. A.....	5.00
Onderonk, Marguerite W....	10.00	Towl, F. M.....	500.00
Palma, A.	10.00	Trompen, J. N.....	500.00
Paterson (?), Trinity S. S...	15.00	Varick, M. L.....	10.00
Potter, M. C.....	10.00	Vander Velde, L. G.....	30.00
Quick, A. Messler.....	20.00	Vanderwoude, H.	15.00
Raven, Mrs. J. H.....	25.00	Van Wyk Missionary Syndi-	
Raven, John H., D. D.....	50.00	cate	425.00
Read, Rev. E. G., D. D.....	10.00	Voorhees, Wm.	10.00
Redeker, Mr. & Mrs. M.....	5.00	Vroom, A. H.....	11.00
Reynhont, Hubert	5.00	Welmers, Thos. E.....	10.00
Rietveld, Fred	200.00	Western Theol. Sem., Faculty	
Rosedale, S. E.....	10.00	& Students of Adelphi Soc.	54.94
Shafer, Antoinette	10.00	Wichers, J. W. (dec'd).....	250.00
Swart, John G.....	5.00	Zwemer, Mrs. S. M.....	10.00
Standard Grocery & Mfg. Co.		W. B. F. M.....	30,512.46
Employees	18.00		
Steil, J.	4.00		
Students of New Brunswick			
Seminary	161.04		

\$41,239.40

THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS, R.C.A.

LEGACIES

Martha L. Smith.....	\$ 146.00
Janie M. Graham.....	2,000.00
B. J. Lemmen.....	50.00
Amos Bogert	200.00
Hannah J. Clapper.....	100.00
Charlotte A. Van Slyk.....	500.00
R. Dwight Clark.....	1,000.00
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	\$3,996.00

RECEIPTS OF THE BOARD SINCE 1857, IN PERIODS OF FIVE YEARS, WITH TOTALS AND AVERAGES.

Years.	Receipts.	Totals for Five Years.	Average for Five Years.	Increase.	Decrease.
Total, 1858-1862.		\$134,055 49	\$26,811 10		
1863.....	\$42,257 36				
1864.....	35,391 18				
1865.....	82,038 22				
1866.....	55,783 75				
1867.....	63,030 89				
1868.....	53,472 91	278,501 40	55,700 28	\$28,899 18	
1869.....	81,410 38				
1870.....	57,342 94				
1871.....	71,125 52				
1872.....	65,173 26				
1873.....	83,948 61	328,525 01	65,705 00	10,004 72	
1874.....	55,352 95				
1875.....	54,249 95				
1876.....	64,342 91				
1877.....	58,152 53	316,046 95	63,209 37		\$2,495 63
1878.....	69,085 87				
1879.....	58,443 49				
1880.....	63,185 71				
1881.....	92,984 32				
1882.....	58,184 71	341,884 10	68,376 82	5,167 45	
1883.....	65,284 58				
1884.....	76,955 23				
1885.....	88,131 04				
1886.....	86,386 55				
1887.....	86,787 02	403,544 42	80,708 88	12,332 06	
1888.....	109,946 11				
1889.....	93,142 24				
1890.....	117,090 14				
1891.....	116,265 45				
1892.....	112,163 59	548,607 53	109,721 50	29,012 62	
1893.....	136,688 10				
1894.....	106,571 48				
1895.....	111,288 00				
1896.....	154,139 42				
1897.....	111,111 89	619,798 89	123,959 77	14,238 27	
1898.....	124,301 18				
1899.....	126,838 36				
1900.....	147,213 78				
1901.....	173,204 12				
1902.....	167,911 73	739,469 17	147,893 89	23,934 12	
1903.....	158,894 94				
1904.....	142,474 79				
1905.....	150,239 94				
1906.....	174,464 74				
1907.....	179,232 60	805,307 01	161,061 40	13,167 51	
1908.....	197,468 26				
1909.....	205,372 64				
1910.....	207,404 59				
1911.....	282,231 86				
1912.....	284,269 36	1,176,746 71	235,349 34	74,287 94	
1913.....	255,838 47				
1914.....	321,942 58				
1915.....	300,752 51				
1916.....	309,419 86				
1917.....	302,453 02	1,490,406 44	298,087 29	37,262 05	
1918.....	325,292 08				
1919.....	345,462 82				

* In addition \$56,500 were given by Mr. Warren Ackerman to remove the debt resting on the Board.

† In addition \$45,335.06 were given for the Endowment of the Theological Seminary in the Arcot Mission, through the efforts of Rev. Jacob Chamberlain, D.D.

‡ From 1895, receipts of the Arabian Mission are included. The total amount received since 1857, for all Missions, is \$7,956,483.08.

THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS, R.C.A.

STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES

MAY 1, 1918 TO APRIL 30, 1919

EXHIBIT "A"

<i>Revenue</i>		
Collections		\$201,921.61
One Day's Income		15,314.44
Legacies—net		3,996.00
Income available for the Board from Invested Funds:		
Security Fund	\$3,012.96	
John Neefus Education Fund.....	705.78	
Isaac Broadhead Fund.....	52.50	
P. I. & M. K. Neefus Fund.....	405.88	
General Funds	5,025.12	
		9,202.24
Income from Funds held in Trust by Board of Direction..		560.07
Gifts for Specific Purposes—Exhibit "C".....		34,496.17
Additions to Temporary Funds—Exhibit "D".....		16,077.62
Sale of Office Fixtures.....		315.00
Sale of North Japan Mission Buildings:		
Received to April 30, 1918—Reserved.....	\$1,000.00	
" " " 30, 1919.....	2,600.00	3,600.00
Total Revenue		\$285,483.15
<i>Expenditures</i>		
Mission Work:		
Amoy	\$84,102.77	
Arcot	80,146.87	
Japan	85,250.87	
		\$249,500.51
Expenditures on account of Specific Work—Exhibit "C"...		21,739.56
Expenditures of Temporary Funds—Exhibit "D".....		15,000.00
General Expenditures:		
Discount and Interest	\$2,409.77	
Mission Conference	399.00	
Relief of German Missions in India.....	350.00	3,158.77
Home Expenditures:		
Rent and Care of Office.....\$	1,590.41	
Salaries	11,066.99	
Account Books and Stationery.....	414.27	
Stenographers and Typewriters	3,012.17	
Postage, Telegraph and Cables.....	677.44	
Office Furniture and Repairs.....	182.96	
Auditing	100.00	
Incidentals ..]......	353.45	
Books Purchased	43.26	
Publishing Annual Report.....	687.65	
Pamphlets and Leaflets.....	1,167.65	
Illustrating Literature.....	144.38	
Unsettled Shipping Expense.....	167.49	
Mission Field	1,552.21	
Telephone	115.71	
The Christian Intelligencer.....	261.00	
Circulars and Miscellaneous Printing.....	675.19	
Travel Among Churches	870.03	
Travel of Classical Missionary Agents....	40.67	
Expenses of District Agents.....	435.00	
Reformed Church Progress Campaign.....	652.98	
Missionary Boxes, etc.....	17.07	
Lantern and Supplies	1.90	
Distribution of Literature.....	86.52	
		\$ 24,316.40
Total Expenditures		\$313,715.24
Excess of Expenditures over Revenue for Year.....		\$ 28,232.09

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Loss on Sale of Property.....	\$ 8,955.10	
Sale of North Japan Mission Buildings:		
Remitted to Japan Mission.....	\$ 3,300.00	
Reserved	300.00	
		3,600.00
Excess of Special Gifts received over Remittances—Exhibit "C"		12,756.61
Excess of Additions to Temporary Funds Over Disbursements—Exhibit "D"		1,077.62
		<u>\$ 26,389.33</u>
Total Loss for the Year charged to Surplus Account.....		\$ 54,621.42
<i>Surplus Account.</i>		
Balance (Deficit) May 1, 1918—per last Report.....		\$ 2,586.15
Excess of Expenditures for the Year, as above.....		<u>54,621.42</u>
Balance (Deficit) April 30, 1919—Exhibit "B".....		\$ 57,207.57

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES.

APRIL 30, 1919.

EXHIBIT "B"

<i>Assets.</i>		
Cash for General Purposes.....		\$ 15,553.12
Securities and Special Deposits—Schedule No. 1:		
Railroad Bonds	\$ 83,859.19	
Stocks	6,837.50	
Bonds and Mortgages.....	186,476.10	
U. S. Liberty Bonds.....	19,600.00	
War Saving Stamps.....	629.05	
Real Estate	36,000.00	
Mortgage Note	5,000.00	
Promissory Note	100.00	
Union Trust Company—Trust Account.....	3,968.33	
	<u>\$342,470.17</u>	
Cash for special purposes.....	15,545.31	
		358,015.48
Advances to Missions for May and June, 1919.....		14,981.42
Due from Arabian Mission		707.47
Amount due from Rev. John R. Duffield.....		828.72
Advance to Amoy Mission for Working Capital.....		2,250.00
Deferred Charges:		
Excess of Payments to Annuitants over Income from Investment of Conditional Gifts.....		1,148.62
		<u>\$393,484.83</u>
Total Assets		57,207.57
Excess of Liabilities over Assets—Exhibit "A".....		<u>\$450,692.40</u>
<i>Liabilities.</i>		
Funds—Schedule No. 2:		
Trust Funds	\$246,431.14	
Conditional Gifts	37,111.79	
Temporary Funds	9,318.72	
Security Funds	65,153.83	
		<u>\$358,015.48</u>
Notes Payable to Bank.....		50,000.00
Missionaries' Special Deposits.....		100.00
Money received for Japan College—Not transmitted.....		6,122.37
Ex-appropriation Gifts not remitted—Exhibit "C".....		19,114.07
Borrowed from Amoy Mission.....		13,889.13
Sale of North Japan Mission Buildings—Reserved.....		300.00
Income on Funds—To be remitted.....		1,041.23
Deferred Credits:		
Reserve of Rents received held for Accrued Expenses.....		2,110.12
		<u>\$450,692.40</u>

THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS, R.C.A.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS OF DESIGNATED GIFTS.

FOR YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 1919.

EXHIBIT "C"

Receipts.

Gifts Ex-appropriation, General:

Specific Work	\$ 175.00
Gifts Ex-appropriation for Amoy Mission.....	1,886.50
Gifts Ex-appropriation for Arcot Mission.....	3,415.00
Gifts Ex-appropriation for Japan Mission.....	35.00
Salary of Missionary	3,050.00
Newspaper Advertising in South Japan	1,323.30
American Bible Society.....	100.00
Additional Buildings for Steele Academy.....	2,218.00
Fukin Christian University at Foo Chow.....	1,520.00
China Education Fund	13.00
Tong An School	56.32
Amoy Hospital Fund	762.50
Special Fund for Arcot Industrial Agricultural School.....	6,478.73
For Salary of A. L. Warnshuis, Missionary	2,302.00
Indian Famine Sufferers	1,172.84
From the Woman's Board for Various Purposes.....	9,987.98

Total Receipts—Exhibit "A"..... \$ 34,496.17

Disbursements.

Gifts Ex-appropriation, General:

Woman's Board of Foreign Missions.....	\$ 100.00
Gifts Ex-appropriation for Amoy Mission.....	1,836.50
Gifts Ex-appropriation for Arcot Mission.....	3,275.00
Gifts Ex-appropriation for Japan Mission.....	35.00
Salary of Missionary	2,636.68
Newspaper Advertising in South Japan	1,301.69
American Bible Society for Arcot Mission.....	100.00
Additional Buildings for Steele Academy.....	2,200.00
Fukin Christian University at Foo Chow.....	1,500.00
Amoy Hospital Fund.....	350.00
Salary of A. L. Warnshuis, Missionary.....	2,735.76
Indian Famine Sufferers	1,051.14
For Various purposes from the Woman's Board.....	9,838.60

Total Disbursements

\$ 26,960.67

Included in May and June Remittances, 1918..... 1,954.74

\$ 28,915.41

Included in May and June Remittances, 1919..... 7,175.85

Net Disbursements for the Year..... \$ 21,739.56

Excess of Gifts received over Remittances—Exhibit "A".... \$ 12,756.61

Balance—Ex-appropriation Gifts unremitted, May 1, 1918.. \$ 5,568.44

Balance—A. L. Warnshuis, Salary unremitted, May 1, 1918 789.02

6,357.46

Balance unremitted, April 30, 1919—Exhibit "B"..... \$ 19,114.07

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THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS, R.C.A. STATEMENT OF TEMPORARY FUNDS

DURING THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 1919

EXHIBIT "D"

	Total	Cornelius Punt Memorial China	Blauvelt Memorial Hospital	Amoy Diamond Jubilee Fund
Total Additions to Funds—Exhibit "A"	\$16,077.62	.....	\$3,140.00	\$12,937.62
Total Disbursements—Exhibit "A".....	15,000.00	.....	5,000.00	10,000.00
Excess of Additions received over Dis- bursements—Exhibit "A"	\$ 1,077.62	.....	\$1,860.00	\$ 2,937.62
Balance of Funds—May 1, 1918.....	8,241.10	\$2,099.25	2,000.00	4,141.85
Balance of Funds—April 30, 1919.....	\$ 9,318.72	\$2,099.25	\$ 140.00	\$ 7,079.47

LIST OF SECURITIES.

APRIL 30, 1919.

EXHIBIT "B" SCHEDULE NO. 1

Railroad Bonds:

29 Illinois Central R. R. 1st Mtg. 3½s.....	\$29,000.00	
6 Lehigh Valley Ry. 1st 4½s.....	6,000.00	
12 West Shore 1st 4s.....	12,000.00	
6 Central R. R. of N. J. Gen. 5s.....	6,000.00	
1 N. Y. C. & H. R. R. R. Gen. 4s.....	1,000.00	
14 Reading General 4s.....	13,915.44	
3 Manhattan Ry. Consol 4s.....	3,000.00	
10 Southern Pacific Ref. 4s.....	8,437.50	
5 Southern Pacific 1st Ref. 4s.....	4,506.25	
		\$ 83,859.19

Stocks:

25 Shares U. S. Steel, Pfd.....	\$ 2,762.50	
50 Shares Morris & Essex R. R. Co.....	4,075.00	
		6,837.50

Bonds and Mortgages:

87 Ludlow Street, New York City.....	\$23,000.00	
333 East 152d Street, New York City.....	4,500.00	
69 West 10th Street, New York City.....	676.10	
531 West 144th Street, New York City.....	11,250.00	
340 Hart Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.....	3,750.00	
236 West 62d Street, New York City.....	6,300.00	
Brandon Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.....	4,000.00	
76th Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.....	4 250.00	
1058 East 14th Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.....	5,500.00	
54th Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.....	7,750.00	
176th Street and Mohegan Avenue, New York City	28,500.00	
949 East 165th Street, New York City.....	20,000.00	
519 West 152d Street, New York City.....	44,500.00	
343 Fifth Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.....	11,500.00	
323 8th Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.....	3,500.00	
205 West 136th Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.....	7,500.00	
		186,476.10

Liberty Loan 3½s	\$ 50.00	
Liberty Loan, 4s	3,400.00	
Liberty Loan 4½s	16,150.00	
		19,600.00

War Saving Stamps		629.05
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Real Estate:

292 East 7th Street, New York City.....	\$22,000.00	
1451 Minford Place, New York City.....	14,000.00	
		36,000.00

Mortgage Note	\$ 5,000.00	
Promissory Note	100.00	
		5,100.00

Union Trust Company—Trust Account.....		3,968.33
Cash to be Invested in Bank of Manhattan Company.....		15,545.31

Total Investments and Cash—Exhibit "B".....		\$358,015.48
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THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS, R.C.A. STATEMENT OF TRUST AND SECURITY FUNDS.

APRIL 30, 1919

EXHIBIT "B" SCHEDULE NO. 2

Endowment Funds:			
E. R. Voorhees College.....	\$13,290.83		
Arcot Industrial School.....	20,310.88		
Amoy Hospital	2,904.05		
			<u>\$36,505.76</u>
Ranipettai Hospital:			
I. Brodhead	\$ 1,000.00		
Miss J. W. Brodhead.....	1,333.54		
M. Schaddelee	785.00		
Scudder Memorial	12,156.07	15,274.61	
			<u>\$ 51,780.37</u>
Ministerial Education in India:			
G. B. Walbridge Fund.....	\$ 5,000.00		
Christiana Jansen Fund.....	12,555.36		
Joseph Scudder Fund	2,000.00		
William R. Gordon Fund.....	2,000.00		
			<u>21,555.36</u>
Ministerial Education in Japan:			
John Neefus Fund.....		9,379.86	
Support of Native Pastors in India:			
C. L. Wells Memorial		15,316.54	
Support of Native Preachers in India:			
P. I. and Mary Neefus Fund.....		18,045.09	
Held in Trust for Others:			
Susan Y. Lansing Fund for Woman's Board.....	\$ 5,000.00		
Susan Y. Lansing Fund for Arabian Mission.....	2,500.00		
J. Penfold Fund for Woman's Board.....	5,000.00		
			<u>12,500.00</u>
General Funds:			
Elizabeth Diehl Memorial Fund.....	\$ 2,000.00		
Madison Avenue Reformed Church.....	15,000.00		
John S. Lyles Fund.....	50,000.00		
A. J. Schaefer Fund.....	194.25		
A. C. Van Raalte Fund.....	3,000.00		
Alida Van Schaick Fund.....	30,000.00		
In Memoriam Fund	500.00		
Cornelia M. Wallace Fund.....	100.00		
Garret N. Hopper Fund.....	1,500.00		
Permanent Fund	14,550.00		
John H. Oerter Memorial Fund.....	1,009.67		
			<u>117,853.92</u>
Total Trust Funds.....			<u>\$246,431.14</u>
Conditional Gifts:			
Alice Oldis	\$ 1,000.00		
John Wolf	500.00		
Semelink Family Mission Fund.....	16,000.00		
A. B. Churchman.....	1,000.00		
Dirk Bruins	5,000.00		
K. Schaddelee	111.79		
D. J. DeBey	500.00		
Mrs. and Mrs. J. Visser.....	500.00		
A. C. Vonti.....	1,000.00		
Mary Voorhees	1,000.00		
Peter Cortelyou	2,500.00		
Dirk J. Obbink.....	500.00		
Mary C. Van Brunt.....	7,000.00		
			<u>\$ 37,111.79</u>
Temporary Funds:			
Cornelius Punt Memorial, China.....	\$ 2,099.25		
Amoy Diamond Jubilee Fund.....	7,079.47		
Blauvelt Memorial Hospital.....	140.00		
			<u>9,318.72</u>
Security Funds			<u>65,153.83</u>
Total Funds—Exhibit "B".....			<u>\$358,015.48</u>

May 20, 1919.

Board of Foreign Missions,
Reformed Church in America,
25 East 22nd Street,
New York City.

Gentlemen: We have completed the audit of the books, records and accounts as kept by the Treasurer for the fiscal year ended April 30, 1919, and submit the following statements, which are in agreement with the books and show the work of the Board for the year and its financial condition as of April 30, 1919:

EXHIBIT

"A" STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES—
MAY 1, 1918 TO APRIL 30, 1919.

"B" STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES—
APRIL 30, 1919.

Schedule

No. 1—Statement showing Investments and How
Distributed.

No. 2—Statement of Trust and Security Funds.

"C" STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS OF
DESIGNATED GIFTS—FOR YEAR ENDED APRIL
30, 1919.

"D" STATEMENT OF TEMPORARY FUNDS—
DURING THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 1919.

The revenue as indicated was properly accounted for. Expenditures were made by duly executed checks and all canceled returned by the banks were examined by us. The balances of cash in banks and on hand were verified by confirmations from the depositories and actual count.

The securities listed on Schedule No. 1 were verified by examination or confirmation from the Bank of Manhattan Company. Where the Board is mortgagee in possession, we have shown the investment as Real Estate. We do not attempt to pass on the valuation of the properties.

The amount due from Rev. John R. Duffield is probably uncollectible and might be written off.

No settlement of the amount borrowed from the Amoy Mission was made and the cost to settle the amount cannot be determined owing to the fluctuations in exchange.

Respectfully yours,

LOOMIS, SUFFERN & FERNALD.

Certified Public Accountants.

Board of Foreign Missions,
Reformed Church in America,
25 East 22nd Street,
New York City.

Gentlemen: The Bonds and Securities of the Board as noted in the Balance Sheet of May 1, 1919, and set forth particularly in the Board's Ledger, have been examined and found correct.

We report that

Par Value of the Stocks and Bonds is.....	\$111,250.00
Their Value on our Books.....	110,925.75
Market Value May 1, 1919.....	95,866.63

The mortgages are in hand and necessary adjustment requiring attention in the hands of Counsel for settlement.

Yours truly,

W. EDW. FOSTER.

Chairman Finance Committee.

New York, May 21, 1919.

ARABIAN MISSION RECEIPTS.

MAY 2, 1918 to MAY 5, 1919

As far as possible these amounts have been placed to the credit of the churches in the "Tabular View of Receipts." *

FOR MISSIONARIES' SALARIES:

Alto. Wis.	\$ 800.00
Brooklyn, N. Y., On-the-Heights.....	700.00
Brooklyn, N. Y., Gravesend.....	800.00
*Chicago, Ill., First Roseland.....	1,400.00
Clymer, N. Y., Abbe.....	660.00
*Flushing, N. Y.....	1,200.00
Holland, Mich., First.....	726.54
In Memoriam	600.00
Kalamazoo, Mich., Second.....	625.00
Maurice, Iowa, First.....	600.00
N. Y. C., Middle Collegiate.....	600.00
N. Y. C., St. Nicholas.....	600.00
N. Y. C., Lennox Avenue.....	700.00
Orange City, Iowa, First.....	800.00
Overisel, Mich.	681.20
Plainfield, N. J., Trinity.....	800.00
Ridgewood, N. J., First.....	600.00
*Sioux County Churches, Iowa.....	1,581.66
Somerville, N. J., Second.....	800.00
Walden, N. Y.	800.00
A Friend	350.00

SYNDICATES NOT INCLUDED ABOVE:

Brooklyn, N. Y., First Flatbush.....	5.00
Catskill, N. Y.....	51.00
Claverack, N. Y., First.....	15.00
Little Neck, L. I., Harmony Circle K. D.....	10.00
Maskat Bible Shop.....	35.00
High Falls, N. Y., Clove.....	11.00
Holland, Nebr.	200.00
New Brunswick, N. J., Second.....	125.00
New Brunswick, N. J., Theol. Sem. Class of '97.....	3.00
N. Y. C., West End Collegiate.....	70.00
North Holland, Mich.....	200.00
Oradell, N. J.....	51.00
Philadelphia, Pa., First.....	13.00
Raritan, N. J., Third.....	44.00
Somerville, N. J., First.....	65.75
Other Syndicates	809.50

\$18,132.61

* Churches supporting two missionaries.

MISCELLANEOUS GIFTS.

Baldwin, Mrs. A. H.....\$	5.00	"In Memory of E. E. S."....	1.00
Bennink, H.	50.00	Jenny, Mrs. A.....	5.00
Blauvelt, N. Y., Greenbush		"J. C. H.—M. L.".....	10.00
Pres. Ch.	5.00	Johnson, Major Alfred.....	9.74
Bogardus, Carrie E.....	6.00	Ketchum, Legrand W.....	500.00
Brenzel, Miss M. C.....	1.00	MacNair, Rev. W.....	10.00
Browne, Anna M.....	2.50	Markley, E. D.....	2.00
Browne, Isabel M.....	2.50	Mason, Dr. L. D.....	50.00
Campbell, Carrie M.....	5.00	Mason, Rev. A. De W.....	50.00
Chicago, Ill., Irving Pk. Pres.		Miller, Katherine	3.65
S. S.	15.00	Moody Bible Institute.....	129.50
Chicago Missionary Committee	25.00	Moulton, Mrs. M. B.....	5.00
"Christian Reformed Friend".	30.00	Newark Bible Class.....	150.00
Churchville, Pa., French Class	.56	Niessink, Mr. & Mrs. D.....	20.00
Crane, Mabel V. V.....	5.00	Rice, Laura Wade.....	2.00
De Witt, Miss.....	50.00	Roggen, John A.....	20.00
Domina, Mrs. R.....	12.00	Rowerdenk, W. H.....	50.00
Dubbink, Jennie	100.00	Schalekamp, H. J.....	5.00
Duff, Miss E. L.....	2.60	Scudder, Rev. Frank S.....	5.00
Dykstra, J.	20.00	Swart, John	5.00
"E. A. W.".....	10.00	Smock, C. E. S.....	200.00
Estate of Julia Gruis.....	25.00	Smock, J. C.....	400.00
Fagg, Mrs. Peter.....	5.00	Starling, Mrs. S.....	2.50
"Friend, 1st Ref. Ch., Roches-		Tazelaar, Mrs. Jas.....	31.13
ter, N. Y.".....	40.00	Toussaint, Mrs. S.....	40.00
"Friend"	225.00	"Two Old Friends".....	500.00
"Friend, Holland. Mich."....	7.00	Vander Schoor, C.....	1.50
"Friend"	1,000.00	Whitehouse, R. T.....	10.00
Gibb, Edith	5.00	Woodbridge, Mrs. S. M.....	50.00
Grand Rapids, Mich., Ninth		Western Theol. Sem. Faculty	
St. Reformed Ch.....	6.00	& Students	18.31
Gulick, Rev. & Mrs. Geo. W...	5.00	Worrall, Dr. H. R. L.....	20.00
Haig, Mrs. C. A.....	23.75	Wynveen, B. J.....	4.43
Hasbrouck, Miss Maria L. B.	5.00	Zwemer, Dr. & Mrs. S. M....	10.00
Hemmes, R.	1.00	Zwemer, Mrs. S. M.....	15.00
"In Memory of Mother"....	80.00	Woman's Board	214.00
"In Memory of L. B. C."....	50.00		
"In Memory of H. E. M."....	2.00		
			\$4,376.67

THE ARABIAN MISSION.

STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES

FOR YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 1919

EXHIBIT "A"

<i>Revenue</i>	
Collections:	
Salaries	\$14,945.08
Syndicates	1,423.39
One Day's Income.....	1,650.00
Miscellaneous	<u>22,719.70</u>
	\$40,738.17
Income from Trust Fund held by Board of Foreign Missions.....	125.00
Income from Trust Fund held by Board of Direction.....	69.06
Income from Security Fund.....	280.60
Bahrein Hospital Endowment Fund Income.....	445.00
Basrah Hospital Endowment Fund Income.....	<u>90.90</u>
Total Revenue	\$41,748.73

<i>Expenditures</i>	
Remittances to Arabia for Regular Work.....	\$30,618.67
Individual Accounts of Missionaries.....	<u>10,279.27</u>
	\$40,897.94
Home Expenses:	
Discount and Interest.....	\$ 115.97
Rent and Care of Office.....	237.64
Salaries	1,653.33
Account Books and Stationery	54.39
Salary of Stenographers and Supplies.....	450.06
Postage, Telegrams and Cables.....	105.70
Progress Campaign	97.55
Incidentals	83.06
Books Purchased	5.91
Christian Intelligencer	39.00
Audit	37.50
Telephone	42.43
Publishing Annual Report.....	101.87
Pamphlets and Leaflets	153.16
Illustrating Literature	33.16
Mission Field	231.93
Neglected Arabia	589.75
Circulars and Miscellaneous Printing.....	100.84
Mission Conferences and Reports.....	58.50
Classical Missionary Agent.....	11.54
Expenses—District Secretary	65.00
Shipping Expenses	183.20
Traveling Among Churches.....	229.91
Missionary Boxes and Collection Envelopes	<u>2.53</u>
	4,683.93
Total Expenditures	45,581.87
Excess of Expenditures over Revenue, being Deficit for the year—to Surplus Account.....	\$ 3,833.14

<i>Surplus Account</i>	
Balance, May 1, 1918—per last Report.....	\$ 1,659.90
Deficit for the Year, as above.....	<u>3,833.14</u>
Balance, April 30, 1919 (Deficit)—Exhibit "B".....	\$ 2,173.24

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES.

APRIL 30, 1919

Assets

Cash	\$ 6,236.81
Railroad Bonds	8,400.00
U. S. Liberty Loan Bonds.....	1,250.00
Bonds and Mortgages.....	7,000.00
Remittances to Arabia for May and June (1919).....	6,767.48
Total Assets	<u>\$29,654.29</u>
Excess of Liabilities over Assets—Exhibit "A".....	2,173.24
	<u>\$31,827.53</u>

Liabilities

Funds:	
Medical Work Fund.....	\$ 250.00
Bahrein Hospital Endowment.....	7,000.00
Basrah Hospital Endowment.....	2,000.00
Security Fund	5,392.00
Abbie J. Bell Fund.....	200.00
Basrah School Fund.....	12,707.32
	<u>\$27,549.32</u>
Gifts Unremitted	362.00
Board of Foreign Missions.....	707.47
Advance by Mission Treasurer.....	3,208.74
	<u>\$31,827.53</u>

May 19, 1919.

Harry A. Kinports, Esq., Treasurer,
The Arabian Mission,
25 East 22nd Street,
New York City.

Dear Sir: We have completed our audit of the books, records and accounts of your Office for the fiscal year ended April 30, 1919, and submit the following statements showing the work of your Board for the year and its financial condition at April 30, 1919:

EXHIBIT
"A" STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES—
FOR YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 1919.

"B" STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES—
APRIL 30, 1919.

The revenue as shown is in accord with the books and was properly accounted for. All expenditures were made on properly signed checks and the balance on hand was confirmed by the bank. All securities were verified by examination or confirmation from the bank.

Respectfully yours,

LOOMIS, SUFFERN & FERNALD,
Certified Public Accountants.

MISSIONARIES OF THE BOARD.

The following list contains the names of Missionaries now connected with their various Missions, whether in the field or at home expecting to return, with their addresses, and also those under appointment.

Letter postage to all lands here named, five cents for the first ounce, three cents for each additional ounce or fraction.

Postage on printed matter, one cent for two ounces, or fraction.

AMOY MISSION.

Only Address—Amoy, China.	WENT OUT
Mrs. Leonard W. Kip, Carmel, California.....	1865
Miss Katharine M. Talmage.....	1874
Miss Mary E. Talmage.....	1874
Miss Nellie Zwemer.....	1891
Miss Margaret C. Morrison.....	1892
Miss Lily N. Duryee.....	1894
Rev. A. Livingston Warnshuis, D.D., Shanghai.....	1900
Mrs. Anna D. Warnshuis, Shanghai.....	1900
Rev. Harry P. Boot.....	1903
Mrs. Anna H. Boot.....	1908
Rev. Frank Eckerson.....	1903
Rev. Henry J. Voskuil.....	1907
Mrs. Mary W. Voskuil.....	1908
Rev. Henry P. DePree.....	1907
Mrs. Kate E. DePree.....	1907
Miss Katharine R. Green.....	1907
Rev. Steward Day.....	1908
Mrs. Rachel S. Day.....	1908
Miss Leona Vander Linden.....	1909
Mr. Herman Renskers.....	1910
Mrs. Bessie M. Renskers.....	1910
Edward J. Strick, M. D.....	1911

Mrs. Edith M. Strick.....	1911
Miss Maude Norling.....	1912
Miss Willemina Murman.....	1913
Miss Edna K. Beekman.....	1914
Taeke Bosch, M. D.....	1915
Mrs. Margaret B. Bosch.....	1915
Mr. Fred J. Weersing.....	1915
Mrs. Bata B. Weersing.....	1915
Miss Edith C. Boynton.....	1915
Rev. Lyman A. Talman.....	1916
Mrs. Rose E. Talman.....	1916
Rev. H. Michael Veenschoten.....	1917
Mrs. Stella G. Veenschoten.....	1917
Rev. Henry Poppen.....	1918
Mrs. Dorothy T. Poppen.....	1918
Rev. Harvey I. Todd.....	1918
Conrad O. Stumpf, M. D., under appointment (1899-1906)	1919
Mrs. Eleanor B. Stumpf, under appointment (1899-1906)	1919
Rev. Edwin W. Koeppe, under appointment.....	1919
Miss Elizabeth M. Renskers, under appointment.....	1919
Clarence H. Holleman, M. D., under appointment.....	1919
Mrs. Ruth V. B. Holleman, under appointment.....	1919

ARCOT MISSION

General Address—Madras Presidency, India.

Mrs. John Scudder, Vellore.....	1861
Miss Julia C. Scudder, Ranipettai.....	1879
Rev. Ezekiel C. Scudder, Ranipettai.....	1882
Rev. Lewis R. Scudder, M. D., Vellore.....	1888
Mrs. Ethel T. Scudder, Vellore.....	1888
Mrs. James A. Beattie, Chittoor.....	1893
Miss Louisa H. Hart, M. D., Madanapalle.....	1895
Rev. Henry J. Scudder, under appointment, (1890-1894, 1897-1914)	1919
Mr. William H. Farrar, Katpadi.....	1897
Mrs. Elizabeth W. Farrar, Katpadi.....	1897

Rev. Walter T. Scudder, 25 East 22nd Street, New York..	1899
Mrs. Ellen B. Scudder, M. D., 25 East 22nd Street, New York	1899
Miss Ida S. Scudder, M. D., Vellore.....	1899
Miss Annie E. Hancock, Vellore.....	1899
Miss Alice B. Van Doren, Ranipettai.....	1903
Miss Delia M. Houghton, Vellore.....	1908
Rev. Bernard Rottschaefer, Holland, Mich.....	1909
Mrs. Bernice M. Rottschaefer, Holland, Mich.....	1910
Miss Margaret Rottschaefer, Ann Arbor, Mich.....	1909
Miss Sarella TeWinkel, Ranipettai.....	1909
Miss Josephine V. TeWinkel, Madanapalle.....	1909
Mrs. Henry Honegger, Briarcliff Manor, N. Y.....	1910
Rev. John H. Warnshuis, Holland, Mich.....	1913
Mrs. Lilian C. Warnshuis, M. D., Holland, Mich.....	1913
Miss Charlotte C. Wyckoff, Ranipettai.....	1915
Mr. John D. Muyskens, Alton, Iowa.....	1915
Miss Elisabeth W. Conklin, Chittoor.....	1915
Rev. Lambertus Hekhuis, Vellore.....	1916
Mrs. Jennie I. Hekhuis, Vellore.....	1916
Rev. Herbert E. Van Vranken, Tindivanam.....	1917
Mrs. Nellie S. Van Vranken, Tindivanam.....	1917
Rev. John C. Van Wyk, Orange City, Iowa.....	1917
Mrs. Amelia M. Van Wyk, Orange City, Iowa.....	1917
Miss Wilhelmina Noordyk, Tindivanam.....	1917
Mr. Cornelius R. Wierenga, Tindivanam.....	1917
Miss Clara M. Coburn, Chittoor.....	1918
Rev. Knud Lange, under appointment.....	1919
Mrs. Henrietta W. Lange, under appointment (1906-1917)	1919
Rev. James H. Potter, under appointment.....	1919
Mrs. Helen B. Potter, under appointment.....	1919
Rev. John G. Gebhard, Jr., under appointment.....	1919
Miss Helen Fairchild, under appointment.....	1919
Mr. John DeValois, under appointment.....	1919
Miss Henriette Hofland, under appointment.....	1919
Galen F. Scudder, M. D., under appointment.....	1919
Miss Ruth L. Scudder, under appointment.....	1919

Miss Maude S. Scudder, under appointment.....	1919
Miss Matilda L. Berg, under appointment.....	1919
Mr. Irwin J. Lubbers, under appointment.....	1919

JAPAN MISSION

General Address—Japan.

Rev. James H. Ballagh, D. D., 25 East 22nd St., New York	1861
Rev. Eugene S. Booth, D. D., 178 Bluff, Yokohama.....	1879
Mrs. M. N. Wyckoff, Tokyo.....	1881
Miss M. Leila Winn, Aomori, Iwate Ken.....	1882
Rev. Albert Oltmans, D. D., Meiji Gakuin, Tokyo.....	1886
Mrs. Alice V. Oltmans, Meiji Gakuin, Tokyo.....	1886
Miss Julia Moulton, 178 Bluff, Yokohama.....	1889
Rev. Albertus Pieters, Holland, Mich.....	1891
Mrs. Emma T. Pieters, Holland, Mich.....	1891
Miss Sara M. Couch, Nagasaki.....	1892
Rev. Harman V. S. Peeke, D. D., Meiji Gakuin, Tokyo (1889-1892)	1893
Mrs. Vesta O. Peeke, Meiji Gakuin, Tokyo.....	1893
Miss Harriet M. Lansing, Fukuoka.....	1893
Rev. D. C. Ruigh, 25 East 22nd Street, New York.....	1901
Mrs. Christine C. Ruigh, 25 East 22nd Street, New York	1904
Miss Jennie A. Pieters, Shimonoseki.....	1904
Miss Jennie M. Kuyper, 25 East 22nd Street, New York...	1905
Mr. Anthony Walvoord, Nagasaki.....	1905
Mrs. Edith Walvoord, Nagasaki.....	1905
Walter E. Hoffsommer, Ph. D., Meiji Gakuin, Tokyo....	1907
Mrs. Grace P. Hoffsommer, Meiji Gakuin, Tokyo.....	1907
Rev. Willis G. Hoekje, Morioka.....	1907
Mrs. Annie N. Hoekje, Morioka.....	1912
Rev. Hubert Kuyper, Oita.....	1911
Miss Jeane Noordhoff, Shimonoseki.....	1911
Rev. David Van Strien, Kurume.....	1912
Mrs. Lilian O. Van Strien, Kurume.....	1917
Rev. Luman J. Shafer, Nagasaki.....	1912
Mrs. Amy K. Shafer, Nagasaki.....	1912

Miss May B. Demarest, Yokohama.....	1912
Rev. Stephen W. Ryder, Kagoshima.....	1913
Mrs. Reba C. Ryder, Kagoshima.....	1914
Miss Hendrine E. Hospers, Ontario, New York.....	1913
Miss Evelyn F. Oltmans, Shimonoseki.....	1914
Miss Janet Oltmans, 178 Bluff, Yokohama.....	1914
Rev. Alex. Van Bronkhorst, Saga.....	1916
Mrs. Helena de M. Van Bronkhorst, Saga.....	1916
Rev. Henry V. E. Stegeman, Kurume.....	1917
Mrs. Gertrude H. Stegeman, Kurume.....	1917
Miss Anna M. Fleming, Nagasaki.....	1918

ARABIAN MISSION

General Address—Via Bombay.

Rev. James Cantine, D. D., Basrah, Mesopotamia.....	1889
Mrs. Elizabeth G. Cantine, Basrah, Mesopotamia.....	1902
Rev. Samuel M. Zwemer, D. D., Cairo, Egypt.....	1890
Mrs. Amy W. Zwemer, Holland, Michigan.....	1896
Rev. Fred J. Barny, Madanapalle, S. India (temporarily)	1897
Mrs. Margaret R. Barny, Madanapalle, S. India, (temporarily)	1898
Rev. James E. Moerdyk, Basrah, Mesopotamia.....	1900
Rev. John Van Ess, Basrah, Mesopotamia.....	1902
Mrs. Dorothy F. Van Ess, Basrah, Mesopotamia.....	1909
Miss Jennie A. Scardefield, Kuwait, Persian Gulf.....	1903
Miss Fanny Lutton, Maskat, Arabia.....	1904
Rev. Dirk Dykstra, Bahrein, Persian Gulf.....	1906
Mrs. Minnie W. Dykstra, Bahrein, Persian Gulf.....	1907
C. Stanley G. Mylrea, M. D., Kuwait, Persian Gulf.....	1906
Mrs. Bessie London Mylrea, Kuwait, Persian Gulf.....	1906
Mrs. Sharon J. Thoms, Basrah, Mesopotamia (1906-1913)	1918
Rev. Gerrit J. Pennings, Basrah, Mesopotamia.....	1908
Rev. Edwin E. Calverley, Kuwait, Persian Gulf.....	1909
Mrs. Eleanor J. Calverley, M. D., Kuwait, Persian Gulf... ..	1909
Paul W. Harrison, M. D., Bahrein, Persian Gulf.....	1909
Mrs. Regina R. Harrison, Bahrein, Persian Gulf.....	1916

Rev. Gerrit D. Van Peursem, Maskat, Arabia.....	1910
Mrs. Josephine E. Van Peursem, Maskat, Arabia.....	1910
Miss Sarah L. Hosmon, M. D., Maskat, Arabia.....	1911
Miss Gertrude Schafheitlin, Kuweit, Persian Gulf.....	1912
Miss Charlotte B. Kellien, Maskat, Arabia.....	1915
Rev. Henry A. Bilkert, Bahrein, P. G.....	1917
Mrs. Anna M. Bilkert, Bahrein, P. G.....	1917
Miss Mary C. Van Pelt, Bahrein, P. G.....	1917
Dr. Louis P. Dame, M. D., under appointment.....	1919
Mrs. Elizabeth P. Dame, under appointment.....	1919

FIFTIETH
ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE
STANDING COMMITTEE

ON THE
Seminary Grounds and Property

AT
NEW BRUNSWICK



PRESS OF J. HEIDINGSFELD Co., 42 ALBANY ST.
NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J.
1919.

REPORT

To the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America:

The General Synod's Standing Committee on Seminary Grounds and Property in New Brunswick, N. J., respectfully presents its

FIFTIETH ANNUAL REPORT.

Organization and Membership.

The Committee consists of Peter Cortelyou, W. L. Brower, Samuel Rowland, Mason R. Strong, E. Covert Hulst, W. E. Florance, and the members of the Faculty. Professor Searle has been President of the Committee and Mr. Florance its Secretary and Treasurer. Mr. Florance, Mr. Cortelyou and Mr. Strong have constituted the sub-committee on Grounds and Property; Drs. Johnson and Beardslee that on Relation of Students to Hertzog Hall; Messrs. Hulst, Schenck and Rowland that on Hertzog Hall and its furnishings; Mr. Rowland, Mr. Hulst and Dr. Raven that on Library and Museum; Mr. Brower and Mr. Florance that on Heating and Lighting; and the Treasurer and the President that on Finance.

Peter Hertzog Hall.

A few of the rooms have been painted.

Coal bills for the new year amount to over \$1,700.00.

The funds, the income of which belong to this building, are insufficient to meet the fixed charges for its care, its lighting, and in these days of increased coal bills, its heating. The gifts of the churches for the current expenses of the Seminary have again proved indispensable in connection with Hertzog Hall.

The Superintendent completes his twentieth year of continuous service.

Gardner A. Sage Library.

383 volumes have been added to the Library, of which 330 were purchased and 53 given. Nine pamphlets were acquired by gift. The total number of volumes is now 54,356, and of pamphlets 9,037. The donors of the year have been Mrs. John S. Voorhees of Brooklyn, Rev. Dr. W. R. Taylor of Rochester, and various individuals of New Brunswick. Dr. Taylor's gift was seven volumes of the manuscript lectures of Rev. Professor J. S. Cannon, D.D.

The average cost of the volumes purchased has been \$2.67.

The Library has been open for use morning, afternoon and evening four days of the week, and morning and afternoon for the other two days.

It is extremely desirable that this building, intended to house 40,000 volumes only, should be enlarged.

James Suydam Hall and Museum.

Owing to the fuel situation this Hall was closed from the end of October until May, the old lecture rooms and the chapel in Hertzog Hall being used for the daily work of the classes.

Dr. Gillespie, Curator of the Museum, reports additional gifts from the estate of Helen M. Oliver and Mrs. Kenneth G. White, which have been acknowledged with thanks.

A new boiler must be installed during the summer.

Grounds and Property.

Only minor repairs have been made in the houses. Their outside woodwork, and that of the three Halls, need the protection of fresh paint.

An important improvement has been made in the direct approach from Seminary Place to Hertzog Hall through the long front terrace.

The fruits of Mr. Bussing's loving interests in the campus are more and more increasing. The old campus is a place of beauty to-day in its every part.

Conclusion.

The report of the Treasurer is appended. The terms of Mr. Cortelyou and Mr. Brower will expire at the meeting of your reverend body and the vacancies are to be filled by you.

Respectfully submitted for the Committee,

J. P. SEARLE,
President.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

W. E. Florance, Treasurer of the Standing Committee on Seminary Grounds and Property, in account with the several funds provided for the support of the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick, N. J.

1.—HERTZOG HALL MAINTENANCE.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1st, 1918	\$694.79
Frank R. Van Nest, Treasurer	1,147.15
Board of Education	500.00
Room Rent	532.00
Miscellaneous	9.28
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	\$2,883.22

PAYMENTS.

J. A. Schwenger, Superintendent	\$503.04
Dennis Murray, Janitor	196.68
Light	651.29
Miscellaneous	287.85
Water	58.62
Fuel	1,050.20
Balance April 30th, 1919	135.54
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	\$2,883.22

2.—HERTZOG HALL REPAIRS.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1st, 1918	\$90.23
Frank R. Van Nest, Treasurer	458.85
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	\$549.08

PAYMENTS.

Mechanics	\$504.02
Balance April 30th, 1919	45.06
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	\$549.08

3.—SUYDAM HALL MAINTENANCE.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1st, 1918	\$304.87
Frank R. Van Nest, Treasurer	917.71
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	\$1,222.58

PAYMENTS.

J. A. Schwenger	\$193.44
Dennis Murray	196.68
Water	19.00
Gas	3.01
Louis DeLello	10.00
Repairs and Miscellaneous	42.24
Balance April 30th, 1919	758.21
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	\$1,222.58

4.—BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1st, 1918	\$16.26
Frank R. Van Nest, Treasurer	917.71
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	\$933.97

PAYMENTS.

J. A. Schwenger	\$253.52
Dennis Murray	196.56
Louis DeLello	365.00
Light	43.30
Labor and Miscellaneous	49.25
Balance April 30th, 1919	26.34
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	\$933.97

5.—PROFESSORIAL DWELLINGS.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1st, 1918	\$351.56
Frank R. Van Nest, Treasurer	510.94
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	\$862.50

PAYMENTS.

Repairs	\$708.20
Balance April 30th, 1919	154.30
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	\$862.50

6.—PROPERTY FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1st, 1918	\$1,946.28
Sale of Potatoes	21.00
Frank R. Van Nest, Treasurer	666.99
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	\$2,634.27

PAYMENTS.

Repairs to Buildings	\$42.69
John A. Schwenger	40.00
Louis DeLello	380.00
Cost of Potatoes	37.30
Balance April 30th, 1919	2,134.28
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	\$2,634.27

7.—SPECIAL FUND FOR EXPENSES.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1st, 1918	\$835.39
Frank R. Van Nest, Treasurer	889.87
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	\$1,725.26

PAYMENTS.

Repairs to Buildings	\$1,625.28
Balance April 30th, 1919	99.98
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	\$1,725.26

AND PROPERTY.

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8.—SAGE LIBRARY MAINTENANCE.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1st, 1918	\$156.99
Frank R. Van Nest, Treasurer	1,606.70
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	\$1,763.69

PAYMENTS.

John C. Van Dyke, Librarian	\$1,600.00
Balance April 30th, 1919	163.69
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	\$1,763.69

9.—PURCHASE OF BOOKS.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1st, 1918	\$513.49
Frank R. Van Nest, Treasurer	917.71
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	\$1,431.20

PAYMENTS.

For purchase of books and periodicals	\$695.38
Balance April 30th, 1919	735.82
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	\$1,431.20

10.—ALCOVE ENDOWMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1st, 1918	\$1,163.47
Frank R. Van Nest, Treasurer	787.91
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	\$1,951.38

PAYMENTS.

Assistant Librarian	\$500.00
Janitor	60.00
Light	16.70
Repairs, etc.	337.88
Water	19.00
Louis DeLello	10.00
Balance April 30th, 1919	1,007.80
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	\$1,951.38

11.—MUSEUM.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1st, 1918	\$18.07
Frank R. Van Nest, Treasurer	91.77
Faculty Theological Seminary	75.00
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	\$184.84

PAYMENTS.

Care of Museum	\$25.00
Balance April 30th, 1919	159.84
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	\$184.84

12.—INTEREST AND MISCELLANEOUS.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1st, 1918	\$915.79
Interest on Bank Deposits	415.18
Insurance Rebate	2.77
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	\$1,333.74

PAYMENTS.

Printing, Liability Insurance and Miscellaneous	\$287.27
Balance April 30th, 1919	1,046.47
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	\$1,333.74

SEMINARY GROUNDS

13.—VEDDER FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1st, 1918	\$935.24
Frank R. Van Nest, Treasurer	229.42
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	\$1,164.66

PAYMENTS.

Purchase Books, etc.	\$151.31
Balance April 30th, 1919	1,013.35
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	\$1,164.66

14.—ANN HERTZOG MEMORIAL FUND FOR HERTZOG HALL.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1st, 1918	\$47.62
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PAYMENTS.

Balance on hand May 1st 1919	\$47.62
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15.—LEGACY ANNA H. CARVER.
(MEMORIAL ANN HERTZOG) FOR LIBRARY.

RECEIPTS.

Balance May 1st, 1918	\$2,489.09
Frank R. Van Nest, Treasurer	2,334.94
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	\$4,824.03

PAYMENTS.

Miscellaneous, etc.	\$408.66
Balance on hand May 1st, 1919	4,415.37
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	\$4,824.03

16.—SILVERNAIL FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Frank R. Van Nest, Treasurer	\$246.68
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PAYMENTS.

Taxes on Bishop Place Lots	\$246.68
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	Balances May 1, '18	Receipts	Totals	Payments	Balances Ap. 30, '19
Hertzog Hall Maintenance..	\$ 694.79	\$ 2,188.43	\$ 2,883.22	\$ 2,747.68	\$ 135.54
Hertzog Hall Repairs.....	90.23	458.85	549.08	504.02	45.06
Suydam Hall Maintenance..	304.87	917.71	1,222.58	464.37	758.21
Buildings and Grounds.....	16.26	917.71	933.97	907.63	26.34
Professorial Dwellings.....	351.56	510.94	862.50	708.20	154.30
Property	1,946.28	687.99	2,634.27	499.99	2,134.28
Special Fund	835.39	889.87	1,725.26	1,625.28	99.98
Sage Library Maintenance..	156.99	1,606.70	1,763.69	1,600.00	163.69
Purchase of Books.....	513.49	917.71	1,431.20	695.38	735.82
Alcove Endowment	1,163.47	787.91	1,951.38	943.58	1,007.80
Museum	18.07	166.77	184.84	25.00	159.84
Interest and Miscellaneous..	915.79	417.95	1,333.74	287.27	1,046.47
Vedder Fund	935.24	229.42	1,164.66	151.31	1,013.35
Ann Hertzog Memorial Fund for Hertzog Hall	47.62	.....	47.62	.....	47.62
Legacy Anna H. Carver (Memorial Ann Hertzog) for Library	2,489.09	2,334.94	4,824.03	408.66	4,415.37
Silvernail Fund.....	246.68	246.68	246.68
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	\$10,479.14	\$13,279.58	\$23,758.72	\$11,815.05	\$11,943.67

W. E. FLORANCE, Treasurer.

May 20, 1919. — Examined vouchers, footings and balances, which agree with pass books and statements of the Banks, and all found correct.

(Signed) SAMUEL ROWLAND.
MASON R. STRONG.

Eighty-seventh Annual Report
of the
Board of Domestic Missions
to the
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of the
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ANNUAL REPORT, 1919

In presenting its eighty-seventh annual report to the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America, the Board of Domestic Missions desires to record its gratitude to the Heavenly Father for the continued blessings which He has bestowed upon its work, for His watchful care of missions and missionaries, and His manifest leadership in the efforts which have been made for the extension of the Kingdom here in America. It desires also to express its appreciation of the co-operation of the Church, which by increasing contributions, made in a time when calls upon benevolence were larger than ever before in the history of our country, has made possible an enlarged service, adequately supported by the funds entrusted to the administration of the Board. It is not to be assumed, however, that all that should have been done in the year covered by this report has been accomplished; a sentiment expressed in the report made by this Board just fifty years ago is fully applicable to the present time:

"It would be too much to say that all hopes were realized and all undertakings were in every instance successful, but enough has been accomplished to inspire the liveliest gratitude; enough to demonstrate the possibility of still greater success, and animate the hearts of the friends of the cause with the most cheering hopes."

As will appear from the details set forth in later pages of this report, the year has been an abnormal one, due chiefly to war conditions, and but little new work has been undertaken by any of the Classes. Service already established has, however, been pushed with vigor, and during the days when, for lack of workers and through the prohibition of building, extension was impossible, plans were being made in all parts of the Church for a forward movement, the commencement of which waited only for the favorable conditions which have now come through the ending of the war.

One result of the war is likely materially to affect the work of Domestic Missions. It has brought home to our people, as to all American Christians, a new realization of the truth that a firm national foundation may be achieved only through righteousness; that the nation is neither great nor safe unless its

people are God fearing. Economic conditions throughout the country have been greatly disturbed by the exigencies of the war, and although the United States suffered no invasion from the foe, with all the sorrow and destruction which that would have implied, there is nevertheless necessity for a reconstruction period during which trade and industry may work back into those normal conditions by which the material prosperity of the country may be assured. This reconstruction period provides a new opportunity for the Christian Church; an opportunity to impress upon the nation the necessity for building a spiritual prosperity side by side with the material. By a coincidence which is surely providential almost every body of Christians is planning for a great advance in service. Every large denomination has a "Campaign" or a "Movement" projected or under way, and these, in conjunction with a great Interchurch Movement, cannot fail to make a marked change in the attitude of the average American toward the Church. In harmony with these denominational and interdenominational movements our own Church has its Progress Campaign through which a great program of service is being laid before us, a vital part of which relates to the extension of the work of Domestic Missions. There is therefore an opportunity to take advantage of national conditions in these days of reconstruction for the glory of God and for the best interests of America. The plans are made; all that is now needed is a renewed faith in our service, a new consecration of ourselves and our possessions to the work of the Lord.

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS.

The Treasurer's report, which is summarized in the comparative statement on another page, shows that there was an increase in the contributions for the whole work of Domestic Missions, as compared with the previous year, of \$18,931.91, an advance of almost ten per cent. There was also an increase of \$2,777.55 in income from the Board's invested funds, making a total increase from what may be termed flexible resources of \$21,709.46, or over ten per cent in advance of last year's figures. In view of the many demands which the year has brought to our people, this is an increase for which the Church may well congratulate itself. Direct contributions of churches, for the Board, the Women's Board and the Church Building Fund provides \$9,827.63 of the increased contributions. Contributions to the Board and the Building Fund from

Bible Schools show a decrease of \$1,045.04, a loss for which the Board cannot account, unless it be surmised that the many young men, this year in Government service, were formerly contributors through the schools. The Board's proportion of the One Day's Income Fund was this year \$2,332.00 more than last year. All the advances, however, are more than offset by the falling off in receipts from legacies, which this year were \$42,894.47 less than last. A further decrease of \$2,000.00 is accounted for by the fact that no conditional gifts were received in the year just closed. Taking these two items into account, the total receipts of the Board and the Women's Board for the year were \$23,184.99 less than the total of last year, notwithstanding the fact that the total receipts of the Women's Board alone showed the splendid advance of \$11,880.82 over last year's figures.

LEGACIES.

For the first time in a number of years receipts from legacies have this year fallen below the ten thousand dollar mark. The total for the year was but five thousand one hundred and fifty dollars. Fluctuations in legacy receipts are of course inevitable and a total so much below the average would embarrass the work of the Board were it not for a policy, adopted a number of years ago, of placing all legacies in a special fund to be drawn upon in accordance with the needs of the service. For the past three or four years receipts from legacies have been unusually large so that the Legacy Fund was in condition to meet any extra calls which might be made upon it by reason of the small number and amounts of the legacies of the year.

To maintain the regular work of the Board it is necessary to depend largely upon these gifts bequeathed by servants of the Church who have been called home, and pastors and other leaders may render a real service to the cause of missions by calling the attention of their people to this method of continuing their co-operation in the work of the Lord after they have been called to a higher service with Him.

ONE DAY'S INCOME FUND FOR MISSIONS.

At the beginning of this fiscal year the mission boards realized that normal contributions from the churches would be insufficient to provide the funds necessary to meet some unusual expenditures caused by war-time conditions. To increase those contributions through the usual methods promised to be

difficult in view of the demands made upon all of our people for Government loans and the needs of the Red Cross and other organizations doing war service. It was therefore decided definitely to ask the people of our churches to sacrifice for the cause of missions by giving at least one day's income in addition to their usual gifts, in the hope that the amount thus realized would prove sufficient to cover abnormal expenditures. In the previous year a similar appeal had brought to the Boards \$34,075.96, and this year the amount received as One Day's Income was \$44,522.91. This sum has been divided between the four mission boards, proportioned according to their several budgets, and while the total does not indicate cooperation by all of our churches and their members, the funds thus provided have been of great assistance in meeting the purposes for which they were asked. An analysed statement of the Fund is not available at this writing, but it is certain that there was a wider cooperation than in the previous year, and the plan has demonstrated its value anew as a measure for use when emergencies confront the work of the Church.

EFFECTS OF THE WAR.

In a number of ways the war had a marked effect upon the work of the mission churches. They suffered, as did all churches, from the absence of the many young men who put on the uniform of the army or navy to give their assistance, and in many cases their lives, to the effort to end the struggle which for over four years demoralized the world. Their absence meant to the churches depletion of income, scarcity of workers, and, more notable still, a marked reduction in the numbers of those who might determine to ally themselves with the people of God by becoming members of His visible Church. The mission churches suffered probably more than other churches from a lack of the requisite number of ministers. The war called a great many of our ordained men into the service; it also reduced the number of men in the seminaries, so that a great many mission churches had no leadership whatever during the year except that given by classical missionaries and occasional supplies, or by leaders developed within their membership. A number of such churches are not included in the statement headed "Churches and Missions aided by the Board" on another page, since during this past year they were not aided by salary grants, as there was no one to whom salary could be paid. These conditions are also responsible for the

fact that the number of accessions to mission churches, 818 on confession and 626 by certificate, is many less than in a normal year.

Possibly none of the mission churches were more seriously affected by the war than were some of the Holland and East Frisian churches in Iowa and the Northwest. In some communities feeling against anything German or remotely associated with that country ran so high that churches using anything but the English language in their services were viewed with the utmost suspicion; a suspicion which followed their members to their homes and their vocations. One of our church buildings in the West was burned a few months ago, and there is strong suspicion that its destruction was the result of lawlessness directed by misguided patriotism. In the State of Iowa, where we have over thirty mission churches, many of them using other than English in some of their services, a proclamation of the Governor forbade the use of other languages in public assemblies. In our churches this had, for a time at least, the effect of keeping from the services the older people who could not understand English, and while the edict was later modified, yet its deterrent effect on the work of such churches has not yet been overcome. As is stated elsewhere, there is no question as to the complete loyalty of the Home Mission force of our Church, but those who work in other than the language common to America, undoubtedly found their service hampered and retarded by the tension which all of us felt during those months when our country was a participant in the European war.

In view of these circumstances it is not surprising that the statistics of the mission churches do not this year show signs of advance. The fact that only one new mission was established during the year indicates that the Classes recognized the adversity of the times and deferred entering new fields until conditions should be more favorable and the supply of workers more nearly adequate to the need.

WAR-TIME SERVICE.

The actual war service of this Board was not of an extended character, and yet it may be said that the Board met every call which was made upon it for such service. The War Service Commission of the Church received such inadequate support in contributions that it had frequently to turn to the Board of Domestic Missions for assistance, especially in the equipment

of the Soldier's Club at Camp Merritt, New Jersey, and in the maintenance of workers in that field. Apart from this cooperation with the War Service Commission the Board made a small appropriation to the Joint Committee on War Production Communities, an organization created by the Home Missions Council and the Federal Council of Churches, which performed an important and effective work in cooperation with the United States Government by providing Christian leadership, necessarily undenominational in character, in a number of industrial communities created by the Government for the production of war munitions and supplies. Through representation on both the War Service Commission and the Joint Committee the Board was in constant touch with the work undertaken and accomplished, and it is cooperating in the continuation work of these agencies through its membership in the Home Missions Council, which is about to take over the work of the Joint Committee, and through an appropriation for the salary of a worker at the Soldier's Club, Camp Merritt, so long as that Camp shall be maintained by the Government as a debarkation camp, and there are a sufficient number of soldiers regularly at the camp to warrant the continued expenditure. The Board desires to recognize and commend the cooperation given in the Camp Merritt work by the consistory and people of our church at Dumont, New Jersey who have devoted much space in their parish house for the use of the Soldier's Club and by personal service have contributed greatly to the success and usefulness of that enterprise.

In accordance with the action of the General Synod of 1918 the Board submitted to each person receiving support from its funds a Pledge of Loyalty to the Government of the United States of America, and it is able to report that all the pledges were willingly and promptly signed; a demonstration of the complete loyalty of the Home Mission force of the Reformed Church.

A further war-time service of the Board is to be found in its investment, so far as its resources would permit, in the third, fourth and fifth Liberty Loans and in notes of the United States Treasury. It also offered to purchase Liberty Bonds for the account of Missionaries and others upon its pay-rolls and to accept payment therefor in monthly installments deducted from salary checks. A considerable number of bonds of the third, fourth and fifth loans were placed in this way, although many of the missionaries reported that they had felt under obligation to purchase their bonds locally.

MISSIONARIES' SALARIES.

In its report to the General Synod of 1918 the Board announced its purpose to assist churches and classes in an effort to increase the salaries of pastors and missionaries to amounts in some degree proportionate to the prevailing expenses of living. By resolution it expressed the opinion that one thousand dollars and a parsonage should be the minimum salary for rural or village pastors and twelve hundred dollars and parsonage for men serving city charges. It was estimated at the time that this effort would require an increase of at least ten thousand dollars in the appropriations of the Board for salaries in the year 1918-1919. It can now be reported that this effort to increase the material comfort of the servants of the Church has been prosecuted during the year with a considerable degree of success. The cooperation of churches and Classes has been secured with the result that by action of the Board in increasing appropriations the salaries of forty-three missionary pastors have been raised at least to the minimums fixed by the resolution of the Board a year ago. It is known also that through the agitation inaugurated by the Board the salaries of a number of men serving churches which receive no assistance from denominational funds have also been increased, but for obvious reasons no definite information can be secured as to the exact number.

The estimate of ten thousand dollars as the cost to the Board for salary increases during the year just closed was found to be not excessive in the gross. The net increase, however, was nowhere near that sum, since twenty-nine churches asked for smaller appropriations than they had received the previous year and seven others became entirely self-supporting. Added to this is the fact that the scarcity of men made it impossible to keep some of the mission stations supplied with pastors, which fact still further reduced the amount paid by the Board on account of Missionaries' salaries during the year just closed. Conditions are changing, however, because men who have been in war service are returning as this report is written and a number of them will take up the work of the pastorate in Home Mission fields and new appropriations from the Board will be necessary.

The effort for the increase of missionaries' salaries has by no means ended and this will also continue to call for increased appropriations. There are still many ministers in our churches who are receiving less than one thousand dollars a year and parsonage, some of them serving fields not aided by Domestic

Mission funds. Such churches are more difficult to influence than are those which receive aid from the Board; for their consistories feel a certain satisfaction in being free from denominational assistance, and while they maintain their inability to increase their pastors' salaries from their congregational resources, they are unwilling to make the sacrifice of pride that they think an application to the Board involves. A movement to reach such churches has already been inaugurated in some Classes, which have themselves adopted a schedule of minimum salaries and decline to approve a call made by a church upon a minister unless the minimum is promised by the church, either unaided or with the assistance of the Board. It is to be noted, furthermore, that some minimum salaries thus established by Classical action are higher than those named by the Board, and this is to be expected; for the amounts fixed by the Board a year ago were not named as ideals or even as wholly equitable minimums, but as the beginning of a movement which is believed to be in the right direction and which should ultimately increase the efficiency of our missionary churches.

CLASSICAL MISSIONARIES.

At the present time the Board maintains one Synodical and thirteen Classical Missionaries serving the following ecclesiastical divisions of the Church: The Particular Synod of Albany, the Classes of Dakota, Germania, Michigan, Grand River, Holland, Cascades, Iowa, Pleasant Prairie, Pella and South Long Island. Applications are also pending for the appointment of two other Classical Missionaries, one for an eastern and one for a western Classis. The importance of the service rendered by these missionaries cannot be over-emphasized. To their work or that of their predecessors is due the existence of many of our strong churches. Particularly important at this time, when there exists a grave scarcity of ministers, is the service which these men perform in caring for churches struggling along without pastoral service, and were it not for the nurture which they give the light of many a spiritual enterprise would flicker and go out.

A year ago the Board reported to the General Synod that it would encourage Classes to consider whether their work might not be made more efficient by the employment of a Classical Missionary, and the condition which led to that action still exists. The Board hopes, therefore, that Classes not now served by such a missionary may carefully study their fields.

sympathetically consider their vacant churches, and ask the Board for assistance in maintaining a Classical Missionary if such assistance shall be necessary; for in some instances almost all of the maintenance of the missionary is cheerfully supplied by the pastorless churches which he assists.

STUDENT MISSIONARIES.

The students at the New Brunswick and Western Theological Seminaries have been of great service during the year in supplying mission churches which otherwise would have been without regular preaching. Every Sunday of the year a score or more of these young men are serving churches which may be reached by a few hours' travel from the seminaries. In many cases the Board provides the full compensation for this service, although the churches usually provide travelling expenses and entertainment. All available students were appointed by the Board for at least thirteen weeks' regular service in mission churches during the summer of 1918, and during this term the students not only conducted the stated services of the churches but they also performed such pastoral work as was needed, besides making for the information of the Board, reasonably complete surveys of the communities in which they worked. For this summer service the Board paid the students at the rate of ten dollars per week, besides insuring their travelling and living expenses. For the summer of 1919 the rate of one hundred and sixty dollars for thirteen weeks' service has been fixed after conference with the Board of Education, as the students are feeling the effects of the high cost of living and it has been demonstrated that, for this year at least, the additional compensation is really needed. Hereafter, the Board will each year fix the compensation to be paid for service of the students in the ensuing summer.

IMMIGRANT WORK.

The year has not seen that increase in the number of missions established among immigrant peoples, the need for which was expressed in the Board's report a year ago. The time did not seem opportune for an extension of this form of service; not only because of the uncertainty of resources available for it, due to war conditions, but also because of the extreme difficulty of securing workers. There has been an advance in service, however, but with one exception it has been confined to missions already established. The exception is a mission

church of Hungarians at Manville, New Jersey, which was received by the Classis of New Brunswick in the closing months of the fiscal year and to which one of the missionaries of the Board, the Rev. Mr. Hamory, has been assigned in conjunction with his work at Peekskill, New York, which latter work may soon have to be closed because of the removal of the Hungarians whom it formerly served. The Hungarian Church at Chicago is no longer under the care of the Board, since it is practically self-supporting.

As one result of the war and the disturbed conditions it brought to Hungary, the National Church of that country, which is Reformed in polity and doctrine, is no longer able to maintain or to assist a number of its affiliated churches in the United States. Some of these are self-supporting and even prosperous; others are largely dependent upon financial aid from the denomination. A movement was undertaken by these National Hungarian Churches in America which had for its object a transference of their denominational allegiance to our Church. The Board was approached by a Committee of the churches, but it held that the matter was one for the jurisdiction of the Classes within whose bounds these churches are established. The matter is mentioned here to show the possibility of making large additions to our Hungarian work by the acceptance of these churches, should it be deemed possible to undertake that large measure of support which some at least of them would require and which they have hitherto been receiving from their mother country.

The Italian missions maintained by the Board at Hackensack, Newark and Weehawken, New Jersey, at Newburgh, New York, and Chicago, Illinois, are all showing commendable progress in their service. As was noted a year ago, some of these need far better facilities for their work than has as yet been accorded them. Plans are under way, however, for the erection of new buildings at Hackensack and Newburgh, and the building at Newark, part of which has been rented by our mission, is about to be purchased by the Classis of Newark, with the assistance of the Church Building Fund, and will be remodelled by the Italians themselves to provide the additional space which the mission needs. There has been no change in the missionaries during the year except at Weehawken, where the Rev. Mr. Jacobellis died in service, and which is temporarily supplied by a student, Mr. A. Caliandro. Eight colonies of Italians are reported by our American churches as being in immediate need of the ministrations of our Church,

and it is hoped that some of these needed missions may be established during the new fiscal year.

ST. THOMAS, VIRGIN ISLANDS.

In this tropical outstation of Home Mission work progress has been marked during the year. The Rev. Bradley J. Folensbee, whose appointment to this field was reported a year ago, was delayed in reaching the Island because of travel conditions in war time, but took up the work early last summer, when he arrived at St. Thomas with Mrs. Folensbee. The definite work of the pastorate of the St. Thomas church is a relatively small part of the service which these consecrated young people have rendered, although Mr. Folensbee's efforts have been successfully directed to a better organization of the members of the church for real service. The church roll has been revised in accordance with denominational rules so that there appears to have been a loss of members, whereas as a matter of fact there has been substantial gain.

An important part of this missionary's service is rendered to the sailors and marines of the United States forces stationed at St. Thomas. Something of the scope of this service may be gained from an extract from a recent letter from Mr. Folensbee. He writes:

"We continue our Tuesday 'At Home' evenings for enlisted men, and every time we have a full house to entertain. And then they come on other evenings also, sometimes to ask our advice—about getting married, or going back to school or college. For three weeks we did not have an evening free. Sunday afternoon a sailor came up (the parsonage is high on the hillside), who had a letter from Miss Day, formerly Mrs. Allen's secretary. The day before a marine whom I did not know said that Rev. Mr. De Jong, of Newark, N. Y., wished to be remembered to me.

"When we came down here Mr. Alexander, the Police Magistrate, had a Bible Class for the service men at the Fort. He has united with our church by letter and recently has turned that class over to us. It meets with our Bible School now and there are from eighteen to twenty-four men present. With all of the visiting in the different posts, there are still men who never get inside a church and so Chaplain Miller, U.S.N., and I are going to them. Besides the services in our church we hold one service a month in the two posts, East Point and Mosquito Bay, on board the U.S.S. Vixen, and here at the Barracks. Last Sunday, immediately after our Bible Class, we went by

motor boat to the East Point Station. It was a good service indeed. The men all came into the Mess Hall, about eighty of them. We had no piano, but as soon as a song was started they all joined in very lustily. We took a supply of Testaments and some pamphlets. The officers, Major Burke and Capt. Boynton, were there too and give their support to the movement, as also does Lieut. Col. Salladay (Commandant of Marines) and of course that is to be desired."

Of the Easter (1919) services, Mr. Folensbee writes:

"There were about two hundred people out for the service, among them many of the Marine and Naval officers and about sixty enlisted men. Some of them came to the parsonage last night and told us how much they enjoyed the exercises and how truly 'American' it seemed. One fine chap from Virginia told us that the Reformed Church seems more homelike to him than his own home church. At the close of our church services Chaplain Miller and I went out to the U.S.S. Vixen for our regular service there. About sixty sailors were gathered on the top deck and, led by four pieces of the Naval Band, we sang some of the old songs. Chaplain Miller offered the prayer and I gave a short talk on Easter."

The Board believes that these extracts, to which many more might be added, will indicate that the Reformed Church is meeting in a most efficient way the opportunity which came to it when the Virgin Islands came into the possession of the United States.

WORK AMONG NEGROES.

The Board has continued its support of the two Negro churches in South Carolina, Florence and Timmonsville, which are attached to the Classis of Philadelphia. As in previous years, the direct administration of this work is entrusted to the committee on Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, which, having other mission churches among the colored people of the South, is able to exercise a supervision of our work far more easily than it could be accomplished by the Board. The church property, in both of the fields named, is held by the Board and, reports having reached its office of the poor condition of some of the buildings, one of the secretaries visited the fields in order to ascertain the facts. It was found that the church building at Florence was in a dangerous condition and the church and parsonage at Timmonsville badly in need of repair and paint.

With comparatively slight expense the repairs at Florence have been completed and those at Timmonsville are provided for. These two churches are meeting a real need in their communities and are being served by capable and consecrated men.

A number of our churches have become interested in the support of an industrial school for colored children in Alabama and considerable sums have been contributed by them to this institution. From several of the Classes of the Particular Synod of Chicago has come the request that the Board undertake the administration of the funds raised for this work and to exercise full supervision and control of it. The question is under consideration at the present time and a full investigation will be made before decision is reached. There can be no question as to the need for such schools in a number of the southern states, and since our churches have already expressed by their gifts their desire to have a part in such service, it may be advisable for the Board to undertake supervision if for no other reason than to conserve a denominational investment which is already being made and which is likely to increase as the need and the opportunity become known throughout the whole Church.

THE CHURCH BUILDING FUND.

For the first time in its history the Church Building Fund has had in the treasury, during a large part of the past year, more money than was needed to meet the calls made upon it by the Church. This condition, however, resulted from the circumstances of war and not from increased income or a satisfaction of the need for church and parish buildings. It is well known that for a long period the erection of new buildings was practically prohibited by the Government in order to conserve both materials and labor for the abnormal needs of the United States. The result was that church building almost ceased. Churches which had planned to build during this period necessarily deferred action, and others which would ordinarily have made building plans realized the uselessness of haste and did the best they could with inadequate accommodations. The result was that applications for loans from the Church Building Fund were for a long time below normal and money accumulated in the treasury. With the removal of the restriction on building, applications have been coming to the Fund at a rate that indicates not only the need of buildings for our churches, but the large measure of assistance that will be required from the Fund. During the year covered by this

report eighteen applications for loans were granted by the Board, aggregating \$34,550.00. Twelve of these were for new churches or additions to old ones, five were for parsonage buildings, and one was for the loan of a sectional church building. Some of these loans were made during the year, as shown by the report of the treasurer, and the others will be paid as soon as mortgages can be prepared and executed. There are also awaiting action by the Board a number of new applications, the granting of which will require at least fifty thousand dollars, and the Survey of our fields, mentioned elsewhere in this report, shows a great need for buildings which has not yet materialized in the form of applications to the Church Building Fund. It is therefore evident that the balance in the Fund will be quickly wiped out, and churches will again have to wait for months for its assistance unless its income is speedily and materially increased.

For several years the Board has realized the importance of having available for churches about to build, suggestions as to plans and elevations of church buildings of varying costs. At one time it was intended to secure such designs by an architectural competition and a special committee of the Architectural League of America was appointed to cooperate with the Board in this endeavor. It was then learned that several other church building agencies in the membership of the Home Missions Council were considering similar projects and independent action by this Board was deferred in the expectation that through the Standing Committee on Church Building of the Council there might be secured a series of designs which all the boards might use. Nothing definite has developed along this line and in the meantime the Board learned that the Church Extension Board of the Southern Methodist Church had published a series of leaflets containing church designs, and a supply of these leaflets has now been secured and is available for the use of our church organizations desiring them for suggestion or adoption. It should be added that the Southern Methodist Board received with the utmost cordiality our request for this form of cooperation, and gladly furnishes its leaflets to us at actual cost.

COMMUNITY CHURCHES.

In view of the statement made in last year's report concerning the necessity of establishing and nurturing "Community Churches" in suburban locations, mention should be made of the fact that one such church has come into the fellowship of

the Reformed Church during the past year. This is the Community Church of Douglaston, Long Island, which was established a few years ago as an undenominational enterprise. Desiring affiliation with the Reformed Church, application was made by the church to the North Classis of Long Island which received and organized it. This is the only Protestant church in its community, and, with assistance which may be given by the Board to provide an adequate building, should exert a dominant Christian influence in its community for many years to come. This Douglaston Church is self-supporting and requires no denominational assistance except in the matter of buildings.

Two of our churches, locally known as community churches, should be assisted to more adequate equipment, the one needing a parish building and the other a permanent church edifice, so planned as to include rooms for educational and social purposes. Only by assisting such organizations in the securing of needed buildings and equipment for full service to their communities can their undisputed possession of their fields be assured.

THE WOMEN'S BOARD OF DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

The Women's Board submits its statement for the year with a sense of deepest gratitude for obligations fully met, and with a new confidence in the sustaining interest of the church in the important and far-reaching ministry committed to the care of this Board.

It has been a year of unsurpassed activity both on the part of the Board's staff and its workers on the fields. More plans have been devised and executed than ever before, that this work so vital to the welfare of our country and to Christ's Kingdom in America might be more deeply impressed upon the consciousness of the constituency and laid more convincingly upon its conscience.

The financial statement for the year tells its own message of advance and of sacrificial giving. It is as follows:

General Fund	\$31,183.77
Indian Fund	35,782.52
Kentucky Mountain Fund	36,551.23
Indian Contingent Fund	600.00
Kentucky Endowment Fund Scholarship.	750.00
Legacy Fund	1,200.00

Total Receipts\$106,067.52

This Board desires to record its sincere appreciation of the timely assistance given it through the appropriation made last June by the Board of Domestic Missions to cover the deficit of \$1,760.89 in the Indian Fund and \$1,896.56 in the Kentucky with which the year closed. The Board rejoices to report this appropriation returned in full this year.

Through the General Fund the Women's Board has appropriated \$3,000 for Student Missionaries, \$2,500 for two Classical Missionaries; also parsonage and church furnishing grants to the amount of \$3,350. Other small appropriations have been made for repairs to parsonages and to provide organs and communion sets.

It will be recalled that the Alien Work of the Board is included in the term General Work.

The Japanese Missions have had their most successful year. The same Missionaries are in charge, namely, Rev. E. A. Ohori, Missionary at Large; Rev. S. Shimizu and Rev. F. Matsunaga.

Under Rev. Mr. Matsunaga, the Japanese Christian Association, 103 West 123d Street, ministers to the needs of the students. The Japanese Christian Institute, 330 East 57th Street, in charge of Rev. Mr. Shimizu, has outgrown its quarters and is now making alterations on the two houses it has purchased. Members of Government Educational Commissions from Japan, wealthy merchants and other influential Japanese turn to Mr. Ohori for his assistance and guidance during their stay in New York. Mr. Ohori tells us that when a Commission of twelve high-school teachers returned to Japan after their visit to this country "each one of them spoke from seventy-five to one hundred and seventy times to different audiences of varying significance. I tried to show them Christian kindness and what Christians stood for, says Mr. Ohori. Now I have letters from them expressing their appreciation and the need of Christianity in Japan. The eight principals from Tokyo have in their charge twenty thousand children. Think of the influence of these men and their talks after they return to Japan."

The most significant development of the year has been the publication in the Japanese language of a religious monthly paper called "The Eastern Light." It is a sort of Japanese Christian Herald. Starting with a circulation of 1,000, it has now passed the 2,000 mark. It carries its message of Christ to Japanese in New York, on the Pacific Coast, in Canada and South America. The paper is financed through special gifts

and advertisements. It is not in any way a tax upon the Board's funds. Many testimonials have been received to the usefulness and influence of this paper. One Japanese reader wrote that he had stopped drinking after reading the article on prohibition in the paper.

The Board's Italian woman worker, Mrs. Francisco Jacobellis has continued her labors through the year, although the sudden death of her husband has left her alone to conduct the social and pastoral work of the Mission.

The coming year should see a largely increased output in the General Work both as regards building of parsonages, supplying church furnishings and in the support of the Student, Alien, and other General Work.

The amount named in the maintaining budget of the General Fund for the year is \$46,950. For the progress budget it is estimated that \$15,890, additional will be needed each year for five years to maintain this Board's part in strengthening the Church at home for its world-wide service.

INDIAN MISSIONS.

The year has witnessed a gratifying advance and some changes in the six Indian Missions of the Board.

At Colony classes for inquirers and instruction for those coming into the church or recently received have been of marked value.

There have been notably large Sunday evening congregations of Indians from the Government School and from the camp, and white people from the Agency and town.

The Comanche Mission reports great activity of the Peyote worshippers who have secured a charter from the State of Oklahoma for a church to be known as the Native American Church, at which peyote will be used as a Sacrament.

Rev. Richard Harper, the Missionary, refers to his work in the military camps at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, and Bowie and Travis in Texas, many Indian soldiers being encamped at these points.

He also speaks of his work as superintendent of the Sunday School in the large Government School a mile from the Mission.

Work has been maintained at two out-stations, Fletcher and Apache; the latter is a peyote stronghold. Here a small chapel was dedicated during the year, having been built with funds especially contributed and quite largely by the Indians themselves.

Mescalero.—An interesting feature at this Mission was the holding of religious services on the feast grounds during the Indian feasts of June and July. Although gathered for far different purposes, the Indians gave courteous attention to the Gospel message.

This Mission will become responsible after the first of July for the religious work of the White Tail out-station lying back in the Canyon and where the former Fort Sill Apaches are located.

It has been deemed necessary to open a small mission day school here to care for the younger children. All the regular Mission Work can also be sustained by the teacher and those in charge.

We must mention in passing the loss to this Mission and to the Christian leadership of this tribe in the death of good Elder Naiche.

The Board desires to gratefully acknowledge the devoted service of Rev. James Arthur, who has been the faithful missionary to these Apaches during all the difficult period of adjustment to the new location.

He is withdrawing for a time from Indian Work to take a much needed rest.

At Winnebago the year has been one of signal success. The school, with its seventy boys and girls, has contributed mightily to the Christian influence. Dormitory accommodations are greatly needed for the larger girls.

This tribe it will be recalled is at the critical transition period, when full citizenship is being conferred upon many of them.

At the Walter C. Roe Memorial Mission at Dulce a combination of difficulties has marked the year, among these the influenza epidemic wrought terrible havoc upon a tribe already suffering from wide-spread tuberculosis and bad health conditions.

Also the greatly loved missionary, Rev. J. Denton Simms, because of his wife's ill health, was obliged to withdraw from this field. He has become the assistant of the Rev. Richard H. Harper at the Comanche Station, Oklahoma.

Of great significance is the statement of the Indian agent at Dulce, who said that the Reformed Church holds the key to the peculiar situation and needs at Dulce, and much depends upon them as to the shaping of the destiny of the tribe physically, mentally and spiritually. The Board was fortunate in securing Mr. Lacy Simms, a brother of the former worker, to

assume for the time the responsibility of the work at this station.

In connection with all the Indian Work of the Board, special mention should be made of Rev. G. Watermulder, who in addition to the large Winnebago station which is directly under his charge, also assists the Board in giving some oversight as needed to the other Missions as the Special Indian Representative of the Board.

The maintaining budget for the Indian Missions for the coming year is \$41,000. The progress additional calls for \$7,000. a year for five years.

THE KENTUCKY MOUNTAIN MISSIONS.

McKee has remained pastorless throughout the year, and has felt the lack severely.

The John S. Bussing Memorial Chapel is nearing completion. There has been much difficulty and delay in procuring necessary materials.

The Evangelistic services conducted by Rev. William Worthington, of Annville, resulted in a great blessing.

To Mr. Worthington and the earnest group of teachers and workers at the dormitory is due the credit for the maintenance of the school at a high level of efficiency. That the several Christian Endeavor and other Societies and the outlying Sunday Schools have been sustained is due also to the labors of the teachers and women workers.

At Gray Hawk, the hospital work has been limited by the serious illness of Dr. Bartlett, who was compelled to withdraw in the late winter.

The school, however, attained a new degree of efficiency under the supervision of Mr. Worthington and the care of Miss Tanis as principal, with a teaching corps of three teachers.

Mr. Worthington also shepherded Gray Hawk in a spiritual way, preaching there once a month.

All the societies, the Sunday School and the outlying Adkins and Blackwater Work have been maintained, the latter, so long as roads permitted. That far-back cove is wholly dependent upon the Mission for all religious instruction and services.

ANNVILLE.

Space forbids even an outline sketch of the wonderful growth of this station with its new chapel and pipe organ, its Bussing infirmary, its industrial department, its farm, its

school, with more than three hundred enrolled, its dormitories for boys and girls and flowing through all its activities a Christian influence of such power that ninety per cent. of its students have avowed their allegiance to Christ.

The attendance of 200 at the Christian Endeavor meetings is an indication of the hold things Christian and religious have upon the young people.

To Mr. Worthington, who is responsible not only for Annville, but for the entire educational work of the Board in Jackson County, the most sincere appreciation is due for his effective and unremitting labor.

The yearly budget for the Kentucky Mountain Missions for the coming year is \$41,000 and the progress budget \$9,000 additional each year for five years.

Although this statement may have taxed your patience, it is the merest outline of the Work of the Women's Board, and very inadequate as even a suggestion of the many sided ministry of these Missions. The report of the Women's Board, which will be furnished free to those desiring a copy, gives a much more satisfactory story of the year.

No reference here has been made specifically to certain joint movements in which the Women's Board has participated, such as Home Mission Week, the preparation of material for promoting Missions in the Sunday Schools, The Progress Campaign and Interdenominational Movements. Sufficient it is to say that the Board has shared fully in all of these.

In closing, may we again voice the conviction that urges us to even a more eager and more dedicated service in the months to come. And urges not us alone, but every one in the Reformed Church who calls Christ Master and Lord.

It is that in this critical time we may so live and serve that Christ's principles may become the moving power throughout all classes and peoples of our land, that America's mighty influence throughout all the world may be for Christ and His Kingdom.

EDITH H. ALLEN,
Corresponding Secretary.

THE PROGRESS CAMPAIGN.

The Board has been deeply interested in the plans formulated at the General Synod of 1918 for a Reformed Church Progress Campaign, and has given its hearty support to the Committee created by Synodical action to conduct the movement. Its effect upon the mission churches may be difficult to demonstrate in statistics, especially since this first year of the Campaign found all of them working under abnormal conditions, due to the departure of so many of their young men for war service. From reports and from correspondence it has been made evident, however, that the plan of the Campaign has sunk deeply into the consciousness of these churches, and that they have been almost all endeavoring to achieve at least some of the ten objectives for local churches which were set up by the Campaign Committee. The usefulness of the Campaign in the Home field has been demonstrated if in no other way than by setting these objectives before the churches; giving them some definite goals toward which to bend their energies.

The two secretaries of the Board were named as its representatives upon the Progress Campaign Committee. They have participated in a large number of conferences in the interest of the Campaign, both East and West, and have spent much time in work directly in the interest of the Campaign, although it has been made increasingly evident that no objective of the Campaign is foreign to the interests represented for the Church in the work of the Board of Domestic Missions. Inasmuch as the Campaign Committee will report directly to the General Synod it is unnecessary to include details of its work in this place, except to report the results of a Survey made of the Home field, at the request of the Committee.

Upon this Survey was based the Budget which is given in detail in later pages of this report, and which, in accordance with the plan of the Progress Campaign is estimated for five years, as are the budgets of the other boards of the Church, to be submitted to the General Synod at this time in an attempt to lay before the Church a definite estimate of what it will cost reasonably to meet the opportunities which confront us. It may be added that in thus surveying our fields and determining the needs, financial and otherwise, the boards, under the leadership of the Progress Campaign Committee, are acting in harmony with the Interchurch World Movement, an interdenominational enterprise which has gained much

impetus during recent months and which has for its objectives the determining of the whole task of the Protestant Church and the securing of the funds for its accomplishment by a nationwide campaign of education and prayer, leading to a consecration of the full resources of the Church to the work of the Master. This Board has already voted its approval of the objectives of the Interchurch World Movement and anticipates that the plans of the Progress Campaign and the Movement will be found to work in full harmony.

THE PROGRESS CAMPAIGN SURVEY.

At the request of the Progress Campaign Committee the Board undertook to make, by correspondence, a survey of the home church, with the purpose of ascertaining how far the needs of the communities in which our churches are established were being served with the equipment now in use and with the present force of workers. With the intention to make cooperation in this inquiry extremely easy for pastors and church officers the questionnaire sent to them contained but ten questions to be answered, and it was thought that these were so framed that they could be answered by anyone familiar with the spiritual and social needs of a community: For purposes of record these questions are here reproduced:

I. What service should the Christian Church render in your community or its neighborhood that is now overlooked or neglected?

II. Are there sufficient Church organizations to do this work if they were to cooperate?

III. Could such cooperative work be locally financed, or would aid be required from denominational resources?

IV. What part of this service definitely belongs to the field of the Reformed Church?

V. Are Reformed Church buildings and equipment adequate in plan and character for needed service to the Community? What is lacking?

VI. Would additional salaried workers be required? If so of what class: Ordained — Lay — Men — Women —?

VII. Has any work along lines indicated in reply to question I been undertaken, and with what result?

VIII. Is there any community in your locality that is absolutely or practically unchurched? State exact location and conditions.

IX. Could the Reformed Church adequately serve such neglected field? If not, what denomination ought to undertake the work?

X. If your Reformed Church should fully meet its Christian obligations to its community and locality, what financial assistance would it need from the denomination for (a) Buildings, etc., \$——; (b) Workers, \$——?

Notwithstanding the manifest simplicity of these questions and the importance of the inquiry replies were received from only two hundred and forty-two churches, or less than one-half of the total number to which it was addressed, so that the conclusions here presented, as well as the Budget aiming to show the amount necessary to provide in five years to meet the needs demonstrated by the Survey, cannot be considered as final or complete. No estimate has been made, however, as to the need which might have been shown had all churches acceded to the request of the Board and returned the questionnaire. What follows is based upon actual information given of the fields.

In reply to the first question a number of the churches reported that no possible service was overlooked or neglected. By far the majority, however, specified lines of service which should be undertaken. These included evangelism, religious education, properly directed recreation for young people, industrial community work, Americanization of aliens, community surveys to reach the unchurched, regular visitation of hospitals and other institutions, and a number of other related activities.

To the second question most of the churches replied that there were sufficient churches to perform all needed service if they were to cooperate, but a great many of them reported that cooperation had been attempted and had failed. For the latter reason, the majority reported in answer to the third question that denominational aid would be needed were the church to fulfill its mission to the community. In a number of cases question four brought the reply that the whole field belonged to the Reformed Church; others felt that the work should be divided between the denominations represented in the community.

From replies to the fifth question it was made evident that too many of our churches are equipped only for regular church services. They lack facilities for the proper conduct of the Bible School, have no rooms available for social or community meetings, and can offer no attractions within their buildings

for week night gatherings of their young people. It is of interest to note in this connection that this need has found expression in all parts of the Church, both East and West. Additional workers, as indicated in replies to question six, are not needed so much as is better equipment, and yet more than ten per cent of the answers expressed a desire for more Christian workers, and a number of these voiced the wish that deaconesses, or some similar order of women workers, were available.

Replies to question seven cannot be summarized, but it may be noted that in the majority of instances it was reported that needed service had not been undertaken, either because of the lack of equipment or of workers. Fully a score of absolutely unchurched communities were reported in response to questions eight and nine, and in most cases it was said that the Reformed Church could and ought to undertake to reach them. A large number of the replies, while stating the need for a larger service and the necessity for denominational aid, did not, in reply to question ten, make any estimates as to the cost of the service; but in the figures which follow, and upon which the Progress Budget of the Board is based, there is included no estimate of these omissions, the financial costs being only those actually reported in the survey replies. The summary follows:

New buildings needed, seventy-nine, of which thirty-one are churches, forty are parish houses, Bible School buildings, or community centers, and eight parsonages.

Additions needed to present buildings, eighteen, most of which are to provide Bible School facilities and social rooms.

Estimated cost of new buildings and additions, \$473,425.00.

Additional workers needed, thirty-two, at an estimated cost of \$36,000.00 per annum.

Unchurched communities which *must* be entered by the Reformed Church, twelve.

Communities of aliens needing the service of our Church, thirteen, including Italian, Polish, Bohemian, Hungarian and Jewish.

THE BUDGET.

In preparing the Budget submitted herewith two factors had need to be recognized; first the estimated cost of maintaining the present work of Domestic Missions, with a normal increase estimated at the lowest possible figure, and second, the estimate, made at the request of the Progress Campaign

Committee, of the cost to the Board of meeting the need made manifest by the survey of the home field. This latter cost, again at the suggestion of the Progress Campaign Committee, has been estimated for a five year period, since it is manifest that the whole task could not be accomplished in one year, even were the funds and the workers available. The first part of the Budget is therefore called the Maintenance Budget, the second the Progress Budget.

BOARD OF DOMESTIC MISSIONS, MAINTENANCE BUDGET,
1919-1920.

Church Sustentation	\$85,000.00
This includes salary payments to missionary pastors, special appropriations to mission churches to meet emergencies, incidental field expenses, etc.	
Church Extension	40,000.00
This includes the cost, apart from new buildings, of establishing new work, the salaries of classical missionaries, their house rent, travelling expenses, etc.	
Church Building Fund	50,000.00
To aid in the erection of new church buildings.	
Immigrant Work	20,000.00
Student Missionaries	7,000.00
Exclusive of amount raised through the Women's Board.	
Negro Work	2,500.00
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Total Maintenance Budget	\$204,500.00

WOMEN'S BOARD OF DOMESTIC MISSIONS, MAINTENANCE
BUDGET, 1919-1920.

General Fund	\$46,900.00
From this Fund payments are made for classical missionaries, students, parsonages, Japanese missions, Alien work, repairs and furnishings, etc.	
Kentucky Mountain Missions	41,000.00
Indian Missions	40,000.00
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Total Women's Board Maintenance Budget ..	\$127,900.00
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Total Maintenance Budget Both Boards ..	\$332,400.00

DOMESTIC MISSIONS

BOARD OF DOMESTIC MISSIONS, PROGRESS BUDGET,
1919-1920.

Church and Parish Buildings	\$80,000.00
Repairs and Additions	2,000.00
Equipment	1,000.00
Additional Workers	30,000.00
Unchurched fields	10,000.00
New Alien missions	10,000.00

Total Progress Budget\$133,000.00

WOMEN'S BOARD OF DOMESTIC MISSIONS, PROGRESS BUDGET,
1919-1920.

General Fund	\$15,890.00
Kentucky Mountain Missions	9,000.00
Indian Missions	7,000.00

Total Women's Board Progress
Budget\$ 31,890.00
Total Progress Budget Both
Boards 164,890.00
Grand Total, Maintenance and
Progress 497,290.00
Total for five years\$2,486,450.00

CONDITIONAL GIFTS.

Those who contemplate bequeathing funds for the work of Domestic Missions may do well to consider the desirability of placing such funds in the hands of the Board during life-time in the form of a Conditional Gift. By agreement jointly executed by the donor and the Board, such gift insures the donor a stated income during his lifetime and at death becomes the sole property of the Board. The rate of income paid depends upon the age of the donor at the time the conditional gift is made, the following schedule having been adopted as an equitable basis:

Under 50 years of age	4%	per annum
Over 50 and under 60	4½%	per annum
Over 60 and under 65	5%	per annum
Over 65 and under 70	5½%	per annum
Over 70 and under 75	6%	per annum
Over 75	7%	per annum

The convenience of this method of investment to the donor is unquestionable. He receives a fixed income during life, guaranteed by the Board, which is a corporation under the laws of the State of New York; his gift is not subject to inheritance tax and he is certain that it will not be diverted from the purpose for which he designed it. The agreement made with the Board may provide either that the money shall be used in the work of the Board, or it may remain as a permanent fund to which the name of the donor is attached, the income only being used in the support of missions.

HOME MISSIONS COUNCIL.

The Board has been in close touch with the workings of the Home Missions Council since the time of its organization, eleven years ago, as its first Secretary was the Rev. J. Brownlee Voorhees, then Corresponding Secretary of this Board, and when he returned to the work of the pastorate he was succeeded as Secretary of the Council, by the Board's Office Secretary, Mr. William T. Demarest, who served the Council in that capacity until January of this year, and is now the Treasurer of the Council. For the past year the Home Missions Council has maintained an office in New York, in charge of its Executive Secretary, the Rev. Dr. Alfred Williams Anthony, and the service rendered by the Council to its constituent Boards and Societies has measurably increased, since its office is a clearing house for all Home Mission information, and a meeting place for many interdenominational committees and conferences. There has been demonstrated by war conditions in America a fact which has long been apparent to many leaders; that there are a number of Home Mission tasks which cannot be efficiently undertaken from a denominational standpoint. These are especially to be found among exceptional groups of our population, racial and industrial. The Home Missions Council has not set itself up as an administrative agency for the carrying forward of such tasks, but by its leadership in the whole work of Home Missions, it is enabled to allocate the work to denominational agencies who undertake specific service in the name of the whole Church. Up to the present time this Board has not been called upon for such service, but it approves the principle involved and should be ready to do its share of the work when the Council calls upon it. At the present time over thirty Home Mission Boards and Societies are associated in the Council.

MISSIONARY EDUCATION.

The Committee on Missionary Education, composed of representatives of the four mission boards and the Educational Secretary of the Board of Publication and Bible School Work, has continued during the year the preparation of the graded course in Mission Study announced to the Church several years ago. The preparation of this material has been necessarily slow because much of the work has to be done by mission secretaries in the limited time they may take from more pressing duties. The two study books for the senior grade in the Bible School are yet to be written, but the book for the intermediate grade, "Twenty-four Missionary Travelogues," has been published this year, as have the twenty-four posters in colors illustrating the travelogues. It is hoped that both book and posters may be used in every one of our Bible Schools, and to that end the price has been fixed lower than the actual cost of publication. This material, as well as the two books for the primary and junior grades, may be secured from the Board of Publication and Bible School Work, which acts as the publishing agent for the Committee.

PUBLICATIONS.

In the belief that occasional leaflets, devoted to various phases of Home Mission work, fail of their purpose in that they are unlikely to be read except by a minority of those whom it is desired to interest, that Board is at present giving the news of its service for the most part in regularly published periodicals. The Mission Field, published monthly, continues to be one of the most important of these, in that it presents not only the news of Home Missions but also that of all phases of denominational work. The excessive cost of paper, as well as of labor in printing offices, has added greatly during the past year to the expense of this publication, only a part of which is covered by its nearly ten thousand subscribers. Since all the boards of the Church share in paying the deficit the cost is not excessive considering the large and regular circulation of the periodical. It is expected, however, that a return to more normal conditions is in prospect and that the deficit of last year may be greatly decreased during the year to come.

In cooperation with the Women's Board of Domestic Missions there has been commenced the publication of a bulletin which is called "Domestic Missions" and which it is designed

to issue at least three times per year; fall, midwinter and spring, for circulation in all the families of our English-speaking churches. The first issue appeared in April, 1919, and it was undoubtedly responsible in part for the generous response made by the Church during that month to the appeals for funds made by the two boards concerned.

For several years the Board, also in cooperation with the Women's Board, has published a quarterly in the Holland language, entitled "Ons Land," and its regular publication has made entirely unnecessary the publication of leaflets in the Holland language. At the request of the Board of Foreign Missions this Holland quarterly now includes the news of Foreign Missions as well as Home, the board named sharing in the expense of publication. This arrangement has been in effect during the past year, the name of the publication having been changed to "Ons Land en Onze Velden in Azie." Both this and the bulletin, "Domestic Missions" are sent to the churches without charge, in sufficient quantities to furnish one copy to every family.

Use is also made of the Church weeklies, "The Christian Intelligencer," "The Leader" and "De Hope," and they are found to be of great assistance in placing the cause of Home Missions before the people of the Church.

The Home Missions Council has this year commenced the publication of a quarterly called "Christian America," containing much valuable information for pastors in preparing Home Mission addresses. Two numbers have thus far been issued and the Board has mailed a complimentary copy of each issue to every pastor. Because of the cooperation of all Home Mission Boards and societies through the Home Missions Council and the use of this quarterly by a large number of them, its cost to this Board is exceedingly small. A number of our pastors have testified as to its value to them in their work.

JOINT COMMITTEE WITH THE WOMEN'S BOARD.

So much of the service of the two Boards of Domestic Missions is interrelated that the advantages to both of maintaining a joint committee for the consideration of such matters no longer need to be demonstrated. This Joint Committee is composed of five members from each board and it meets whenever circumstances make conference advisable. One important duty of the Committee is the preparation of the Budget which, after adoption by it, goes to the boards for their ap-

proval. Problems arising on the field, or those caused by financial necessity, alike have the consideration of this committee, which exercises no authority for the boards, but whose recommendations to them are always sympathetically received and usually endorsed.

An evident of the close affiliation of the two boards is to be found in the fact that, shortly after the close of the fiscal year, 1917-1918, when the Women's Board reported deficits in its Indian and Kentucky mission funds aggregating \$3,557.-45., this Board, realizing the embarrassment this would occasion the Women's Board during the summer months of 1918, appropriated from its treasury the full amount of this deficit. No agreement as to the return to the Board's treasury of this amount was asked or implied, but the splendid response made by the Church to the appeal of the Women's Board on behalf of its work, has made it possible for that Board to return the entire appropriation, for which happy result both the Women's Board and the Church are to be sincerely congratulated.

WESTERN DISTRICT COMMITTEE.

The five members of the Board who reside within the bounds of the Particular Synod of Chicago, together with the Field Secretary, comprise the Western District Committee, which renders a very important service in recommending action to the Board on applications and other matters originating within its district. This Committee holds two regular meetings each year, immediately following the spring and fall meetings of the Classes, and its members also respond cheerfully for requests for information sent to them at other times. This voluntary service deserves the highest commendation which the Board and the Church can give.

HOLLAND MISSION HOUSE.

For a number of years the Field Secretary of the Board has had his residence at Holland, Michigan, which is also the home of the Western District Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions. The growing importance of the Particular Synod of Chicago as a field for Home Mission service and as a source of large revenues for all boards of the Church, has caused a constantly increasing correspondence for both these secretaries, who have much work to do in common, necessitating frequent conference. The plan of securing an office in Holland which might be shared by Mr. Vander Werf and Mr.

Van Kersen, has long been in consideration, but up to the present year sundry obstacles have prevented its fruition. With the assistance of liberal contributions for this special purpose, made by individuals and churches in the Middle West, the Board of Domestic Missions has purchased a building, centrally located, in the city of Holland, where the interests of the Domestic and Foreign Boards for the western territory will be conserved by the secretaries named, with the assistance of a stenographer who will serve them both. A considerable part of the building is at present rented, but it will be available in the future, should other boards desire to be represented, for other offices. The Foreign and Domestic Boards are now sharing the moderate expense of the office which has been established.

DEATHS IN THE SERVICE.

Three of the missionaries of the Board have passed to their reward during the year, the Rev. E. F. Jacobellis, the Rev. F. G. Dekker and the Rev. Ph. G. Meengs. The Rev. Mr. Jacobellis was in charge of the Italian mission at Weehawken, New Jersey, and his devotion to the people under his charge may be said to have been a contributing cause of his death, for during the epidemic of influenza he was untiring in his service, ministering to them in every way possible to him and even sacrificing his own slender means in order to provide sustenance and comfort for those who were stricken. In the midst of this service he fell a victim to the disease and passed away after a few days' illness.

The Rev. Fred. G. Dekker was one of the Classical Missionaries, serving the Classes of Iowa. He too was called home from active service in the cause of the Master with the suddenness that has marked so many deaths of the past year. This was also the case with Rev. Mr. Meengs, who was one of the Classical Missionaries serving the three Classes of Michigan. His was a comparatively young life, full of promise in the service to which he had consecrated himself, and he was called to his eternal home at a time when it seemed that his work here had but commenced. The places of these men in the service of the Church will be hard to fill.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.

The Board records with sincere thankfulness that its membership has been spared, in a year of epidemic, any serious illness. One of its members, Rev. Arthur F. Mabon, went to

France in service, leaving his resignation from membership. The resignation was regretfully accepted by the Board and Mr. Harry A. Kinports was elected to fill the unexpired period of Mr. Mabon's membership, which terminates in June, 1919.

The General Synod of 1918 nominated to membership in the board Mr. James Brown Mabon, who was duly elected by the Board, but who declined to undertake this service. The Board elected, to fill this vacancy, its Office Secretary, Mr. William T. Demarest, whose membership would normally expire in June, 1921, but who has presented his resignation to the Board so that his successor may be nominated by the General Synod of 1919.

Members whose terms of office expire in June, 1919, and whose successors should be nominated by the General Synod are the following:

Rev. Cornelius Brett	Rev. Henry Sluyter
Rev. Clifford P. Case	Rev. Otis M. Trousdale
Mr. Harry A. Kinports	Rev. George Schnucker
Mr. George S. Hobart	Mr. Charles W. Osborne
Mr. George Tiffany	

CONCLUSION.

An annual report is necessarily a record of plans made as well as of work accomplished. The Board this year feels that its plans for future service are shared by all of the administrative agencies of the Church, for there has been growing, in recent years, a conviction that denominational advance along any one line cannot proceed very far without a corresponding advance along all others. In this lies the great promise to be found in the Reformed Church Progress Campaign, for with it are allied all of the boards of the Church, whose leaders are working with the utmost harmony on what they consider a common task. So practical is this inter-board cooperation that during the past year it has become the practice for all of the boards to be represented at meetings of Classes and other assemblies of the Church by one man, who speaks for all the causes as earnestly and efficiently as he does for the one with which he is individually connected. The Board of Domestic Missions desires to work heartily for the entire program of the Campaign, which represents the whole work of the Church, and yet it cannot but feel that the work of Domestic Missions is in a sense more important than any of the others, for through it are laid those foundations of

denominational strength without which progress along other lines would be well nigh impossible. It is necessary only to study the records of the past to find that many of the great reservoirs of benevolence, both East and West, are to be found in churches which were nurtured in the days of their weakness by this Board. Missionaries upon both home and foreign fields received in Home Mission churches their first impulses toward service, and many of them are today maintained in their work by churches which were formerly supported by Domestic Mission funds.

If, therefore, the Church would go forward, it must continue to establish and support churches in the home land, taking advantage of every opportunity which presents itself to reach individuals and communities with the Gospel of Jesus Christ, to the end that they being served, may in turn be enlisted in His service. The Propagation of the Faith is an expression heard more often in another Church than ours, and yet it expresses the task to which we are committed, its consummation the only means whereby the salvation of the Nation and the world may be assured. If it be not diligently prosecuted here in the home land, it cannot be efficiently undertaken across the seas; therefore the work of Domestic Missions is fundamental. Every Home Mission church contains potentialities which stretch far beyond its community. But if these churches be not established and assisted the power is dissipated or lost.

In order that its service may be divinely directed, the Board of Domestic Missions, desires to call upon the Church sincerely to pray for its guidance, and for the guidance also of the Classes with which lies the decisions as to the entrance of new fields of service or the further maintenance of old ones. It must never be forgotten that we are working for the Lord of Hosts, for if we lose sight of our Guide, and our Example, our service will be of no avail.

WM. T. DEMAREST, *Office Secretary.*
SETH VANDER WERF, *Field Secretary.*

Adopted by the Board, May 19, 1919.

CHURCHES AND MISSIONS AIDED BY THE BOARD.

Churches and Missions Helped	248
Missionaries and Pastors (excluding summer students) .	208
Number of Families	8,110
Number of Communicants	12,914
Additions by Confession	880
Additions by Certificate	638
In Sunday Schools	15,493
Churches Contributed for Congregation Expenses .	\$215,533.64
Churches Contributed for Denominational Objects .	31,499.35
Churches Contributed for Other Objects	10,885.33
New Buildings, Repairs and Improvements	81,155.00
New Missions Begun	1
Churches Organized	8
Assumed Self-Support	7

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS
1918-1919

THE MISSIONARY FUND

	1918	1919
From Churches	\$62,523.71	\$65,548.30
" Special for Women's Board...	10,247.89	14,344.50
Sabbath Schools	12,742.00	11,681.08
Individuals	2,588.12	2,482.00
	<hr/> \$88,101.72	<hr/> \$94,055.88

THE CHURCH BUILDING FUND

From Churches	\$ 6,515.48	\$ 9,221.91
Sabbath Schools	588.72	604.60
Young People's Societies	698.40	853.16
Individuals	230.00	195.00
	<hr/> \$ 8,032.60	<hr/> \$10,874.67
Total Offerings, Both Funds	\$96,134.32	\$104,930.55
Deduct Women's Board specials included in their total below	\$10,247.89	\$ 14,344.50
	<hr/> \$85,886.43	<hr/> \$ 90,586.05
Legacies	46,044.47	5,150.00
Legacies for Investment	2,000.00	
Special Fund for Investment	2,000.00	
Interest	15,867.84	18,645.39
One Day's Income Fund, less amount included in Women's Board total	10,548.00	12,780.00
Receipts, Women's Board	95,186.70	107,067.52
	<hr/> \$257,533.44	<hr/> \$234,228.96

DOMESTIC MISSIONS

NEW MISSIONS ESTABLISHED

Altamont, S. D.Classis of Dakota

CHURCHES ORGANIZED

Fairview, Grand RapidsClassis of Michigan
 Allegan, Mich., 1stClassis of Holland
 Firth, Nebr.Classis of E. Sioux
 Immanuel, Seattle, Wash.Classis of Cascades
 Dover, N. Dak.Classis of Dakota
 Muskegon, Mich., 5thClassis of Michigan
 New York City, WaldensianClassis of New York

ASSUMED SELF-SUPPORT

New Brunswick, N. J., Highland ParkClassis of N. Brunswick
 Garfield, N. J.Classis of Paramus
 Sheboygan, Wisc.Classis of Wisconsin
 Atwood, Mich.Classis of Grand River
 George, Ia.Classis of Germania

STATISTICS OF MISSIONS AND CHURCHES AIDED BY THE BOARD

CLASSES.	CHURCHES.	MINISTERS.	Families.	Members.	Rec'd.		In Sunday Schools.
					Confession.	Certificate.	
Albany	3rd Albany	Andrew Hansen ...	170	298	1	10	347
"	6th Albany	F. F. Blessing	140	270	13	24	345
"	Castleton, N. Y.	H. C. Jacobs					
"	Westerlo, " "	Donald Boyce	51	75	2	2	76
Bergen	3rd Hackensack	A. Weber					
"	Harrington Park	Thos. Adams	45	96	18	3	88
"	Hackensack, Italian	G. Iorizzo	30	45	3	1	
"	Highwood, N. J.	B. M. Smith	25	34			61
So. Bergen	3rd Bayonne	H. E. Franzen	86	127	7		79
"	Ger., Jersey City	G. C. Muller	102	195	8		80
"	Park, Jersey City	C. A. Terhune	78	131	30	5	75
Cascades	Conrad, Neb.	Wm. Duven	42	73			70
"	Lynden, Wash.	H. K. Pasma	68	138	2	2	70
"	Manhattan, Mont.	Vacant	17	33	7	9	
"	Monarch, Can.	Adri van Dyk	25	40	3	1	22
"	San Francisco, Cal.	Cl. Missionary	6				
"	Spokane, Wash.	Cl. Missionary	9				
"	Seattle	Cl. Missionary	11	19	7	12	24
Chicago	Chicago Emanuel	L. Potgeter					
"	" Mt. Gr'nwd.	F. Zandstra	95	176	12	15	210
"	" West Side	H. J. Pietenpol	81	181	20	10	213
"	Indianapolis, Ind.	J. Hamel	19	29		7	34
"	Lafayette, " "	J. J. Althuis	63	130	16	2	115
"	Spring Valley, Ills.	B. J. Wynveen	36	50	2	5	45
"	Wichert, " "	Jas. Van der Heide.	53	105	12	5	133
Dakota	Bemis, S. D.	J. D. Grull	13	29	4	2	35
"	Castlewood, " "	A. Rozendal	34	68	7	3	60
"	Corsica, " "	H. M. Pettersen....	30	75		4	66
"	North Marion, N. D.	J. W. Brink	33	82	7	1	100
"	Grand View, S. D.	L. C. Benes	29	60	2		66
"	Tyndall, " "	Cl. Missionary	16	37	2	3	20
"	Chas. Mix, " "	Cl. Missionary	12				
"	Joubert, " "	Cl. Missionary	8				30
"	Strassburg, " "	Cl. Missionary	15	30	1	2	20
"	Aurora, " "	Cl. Missionary	26	54		6	30

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CLASSES.		CHURCHES.	MINISTERS.	Families.	Members.	Rec'd.		In Sunday Schools.	
						Confession.	Certificate.		
Germania	Davis,	"	H. W. Hortsch	30	49	4	1	72
"	George,	Ia.	Otto Poppen	40	30	4	....	50
"	Armour,	S. D.	L. H. Benes	....	....	....	....	....
"	Dempster,	"	Wm. Denekas	31	39	1	....	60
"	Scotland,	"	J. Frerichs	26	67	....	....	52
Grand River	..	Ada,	Mich.	R. W. Douma	21	40	14	2	40
"	"	Atwood,	"	J. Webinga	35	72	....	1	40
"	"	Beverly,	"	A. J. V. D. Heuvel..	33	70	7	4	90
"	"	Byron Center,	"	Vacant	58	115	5	10	120
"	"	6th Gr'd Rapids,	"	K. J. Dykema	69	156	10	18	229
"	"	Lucas,	"	Wm. S. Gruys	39	65	2	2	70
"	"	3rd Muskegon,	"	J. Broek	64	56	1	1	64
"	"	Twin Lakes,	"	M. Cook	36	70	4	2	100
"	"	Grant,	"	Cl. Missionary	22	39	....	....	21
"	"	So. Haven,	"	Cl. Missionary	16	15	2	....	....
"	"	So. Barnard,	"	Cl. Missionary	15	22	2	....	....
"	"	Moddersville,	"	Cl. Missionary	12	30	1	1	40
"	"	Falmouth,	"	Cl. Missionary	13	25	....	....	25
Holland	1st Cleveland,	Ohio	T. G. Vander Bosch.	39	94	3	....	95
"	Holland, Ebenezer	"	A. H. Strabbing	55	142	6	6	126
"	E. Overisel,	Mich.	P. E. A. Schroeder..	51	141	10	1	93
"	No. Blendon,	"	J. J. Burggraff	29	69	4	....	76
"	Three Oaks,	"	J. W. Te Paske	25	48	5	1	55
"	Ottawa,	"	Cl. Missionary	28	58	....	13	4
"	Harlem,	"	Cl. Missionary	23	58	4	1	59
"	So. Holland,	"	Cl. Missionary	28	66	14	7	150
"	Hudsonville,	"	Cl. Missionary	24	40	2	15	79
"	Allegan,	"	Cl. Missionary	10	23	3	20	40
"	Dunningville,	"	Cl. Missionary	27	54	1	....	50
Hudson	Linlithgo,	N. Y.	E. F. T. Randolph..	45	77	3	....	38
Illinois	Spring Lake,	Ill.	T. Shafer	20	55	1	1	35
"	Summit,	"	J. Menlendyke	35	79	7	4	85
"	Roseland, Ill.,	Emu'l.	L. Potgeter	61	95	6	8	211
"	Chicago Italian	"	Vacant	3	4	....	....	85
Kingston	Krumville,	N. Y.	T. A. Beekman	35	25	3	3	99
No. L. Island	..	Hicksville,	"	I. P. Emerick	28	55	6	....	65
"	"	New Hyde Park,	"	A. E. Van Antwerpen	39	60	1	2	71
"	"	B'klyn, Ch. of Jesus	"	Chr. Oswald	80	150	12	....	250
"	"	Winfield,	N. Y.	Wm. T. E. Adams..	46	96	9	....	188
So. L. Island	..	Woodlawn,	"	J. G. Addy	141	238	11	7	249
"	"	Ridgewood,	"	G. R. Israel	40	155	20	....	225
"	"	Ocean Hill,	"	A. Hageman	100	137	2	2	171
"	"	2nd Flatbush,	"	H. J. Wahl	50	137	17	3	68
"	"	St. Thomas,	V. I.	B. J. Folensbee	37	62	5	4	33

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					Confession.	Certificate.	
So. Long Island	Forest Park, N. Y.	F. L. Cornish	195	353	3	7	382
" " "	Gr'nw'd Heights, "	S. G. Tyndall	120	262	15	3	350
Michigan	Allendale, Mich.	Chas. Stoppels	32	67	4	10	60
"	Trin., Gd. Rapids, "	J. Van Zomeren	92	192	6	9	375
"	Zion, Gd. Rapids, "	R. Bloemendal	32	46	2	15	60
"	Hamilton Amer., "	R. D. Meengs	40	85	18	4	103
"	No. Park, Kala., "	R. J. Vanden Berg.	64	131	6	2	185
"	Unity, Muskegon, "	G. C. Heneveld	68	105	41	40	245
"	Cal'y, Gd. Rapids, "	A. Stegenga	60	116	11	6	200
Monmouth	Red Bank, N. J.	L. G. Leggett	145	304	20	1	239
Montgomery	Ephratah, N. Y.	R. A. Stanton	70	111	21	22	56
"	Stone Arabia, "	R. A. Stanton	28	55	8	2	116
"	Johnstown, "	P. S. Beekman	82	137	3	1	122
Newark	Irvington, N. J.	Geo. Moore, Jr.	159	130	15	1	289
"	Netherwood, "	Edw. S. Ralston	....	....	....	....	....
"	N. Y. Ave., Newark	G. H. Donovan	....	....	15	17	....
"	Christ Ch., Newark	H. K. Post	100	185	9	3	240
"	Italian, Newark	D. N. Febrile	175	123	4	....	210
N. Brunswick	Bonhampton, N. J.	Student	16	....	....	....	60
"	E. Somerville, "	J. L. Stillwell, Supply	....	....	....	....	35
"	Marconnier, "	J. T. Lansdale	25	67	3	....	71
"	Perth Amboy, "	J. J. Ganss	170	190	20	....	100
New York	And. Memorial, N. Y.	J. A. De Boer	59	98	7	....	195
"	Huguenot Park, S. I.	J. E. Hoffman	....	....	....	....	75
"	Mariners' Harbor "	W. E. Compton	91	117	1	....	150
"	West Farms, N. Y.	Wm. N. Mac Neill	63	77	11	11	115
"	Winnebago, Neb.	R. McElwee	82	231	26	6	110
"	Col. Mem'l Okla.	Vacant	153	450	11	3	216
"	Mescalero, N. M.	N. E. Overman	60	104	....	....	100
"	Annville, Ky.	Wm. A. Worthington	71	114	7	3	500
"	Lawton, Okla.	R. H. Harper	110	161	5	....	115
Orange	Callicoon, N. Y.	John E. Straub	75	109	3	....	79
Palisades	Guttenberg, N. J.	H. A. Eliason	150	132	10	2	250
"	1st Hoboken, "	J. D. Peters	50	110	2	3	103
"	Hope, W. Hoboken	Vacant	....	....	....	....	....
"	Ital. Weehawken	A. Caliandro	50	....	....	....	75
Paramus	Clifton, N. J.	J. H. E. TeGrooten-huis	59	125	11	7	135
"	Garfield, "	Eugene Hill	50	94	9	....	121
"	Glen Rock, "	D. C. Weidner	70	70	2	2	120
"	Hohokus, "	J. A. Terhune	50	66	1	1	57
"	Saddle River, "	I. Van Kampen	79	91	3	54
"	Waldwick, "	I. Van Kampen	12	22	1	64
"	Tappan, "	H. A. Lewis	27	51	4	1	45

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					Confession.	Certificate.	
Passaic	Mountain Lakes, "	T. E. Gouwens	94	161	18	20	130
"	Fairfield, "	L. L. Leaver .....	...	...	...	...	...
Pella	New Sharon, Ia.	E. Huibregste	34	77	4	...	100
"	Prairie City, "	G. Flikkema	47	94	4	3	90
"	Oskaloosa, "	Cl. Missionary	22	40	2	1	58
"	Eddyville, "	Cl. Missionary	16	35	2	2	40
Philadelphia ..	Florence, S. Car.	B. G. Garland	15	40	18	...	25
"	Timmons ville, "	A. J. Wilkinson	10	25	...	...	46
Pl. Prairie	Browndale, Minn.	Cl. Missionary	12	...	...	...	...
" "	Alexander, Ia.	J. Schaeffer	38	52	2	2	60
" "	Bristow, "	A. Wubbena	33	42	7	...	45
" "	Dumont, "	J. H. Brandon	45	35	...	...	30
" "	Peoria, Ill.	A. J. Reeverts	52	57	2	1	123
" "	Rockland, Ia.	Cl. Missionary	11	...	...	...	...
" "	Kings, "	F. Kroesche	30	60	...	...	85
" "	Goodell, "	Cl. Missionary	10	...	...	...	15
" "	Britt, "	Cl. Missionary	7	...	...	...	...
" "	Kesley, "	Cl. Missionary	27	...	...	...	45
Poughkeepsie ..	Arlington, N. Y.	A. C. Bird	80	116	...	...	144
"	Emanuel, Poughk'psie	A. C. Bird, S. S. ...	25	38	6	...	10
Raritan	Finderne, N. J.	J. L. Stillwell, S. ...	...	...	...	...	16
Rensselaer	Stuyves't Falls, N. Y.	John Howard	58	67	1	12	55
Rochester	Ontario, "	G. H. Hospers	62	137	1	...	90
"	Sodus, "	S. M. Hogenboom..	22	87	3	9	80
"	Williamson, "	C. Vander Schoor..	62	128	8	6	100
Schenectady ..	Amity, "	D. G. Many	35	51	...	2	...
"	Woodlawn, "	H. C. Willoughby ..	95	131	8	11	214
Schoharie	Gd. Gorge, "	V. Ziegler	33	53	...	...	50
"	So. Gilboa, "	V. Ziegler	30	74	...	...	60
"	1st Howes' Cave, "	J. L. Amerman	32	37	1	...	40
"	2nd Howes' Cave, "	H. C. Morehouse...	75	139	1	6	155
Sioux East	Archer, Ia.	S. J. Menning	30	46	4	...	60
" "	Ireton, "	Wm. Stegeman	34	35	3	1	60
" "	Luctor, Kans.	C. Lepetak	19	52	3	1	47
" "	Melvin, Ia.	E. Furda	22	39	1	5	35
" "	Rotterdam, Kans.	John Hoffman	23	50	2	2	63
" "	Sibley, Ia.	H. Hoffs	23	42	6	9	72
" "	Bigelow, Minn.	H. Hoffs	13	33	2	7	...
" "	Wichita, Kans.	D. J. De Bey	15	21	...	2	55
" "	Matlock, Ia.	Cl. Missionary	14	28	...	4	31
" "	Rock Rapids, "	Cl. Missionary	23	45	2	15	50
" "	Lester, "	Cl. Missionary	22	20	...	1	13

CLASSES.	CHURCHES.	MINISTERS.	Families.	Members.	Rec'd.		In Sunday Schools.
					Confession.	Certificate.	
Sioux West	Chandler, Minn.	H. E. Reinhart	50	97	3	9	95
"	Churchville, "	G. E. Cook	20	25	1	....	50
"	Doon, Ia.	E. S. Schilstra	30	52	3	11	65
"	Fairview, S. D.	Jacob Poppen	9	20	3	....	....
"	Inwood, Ia.	H. S. Muilenburg	25	50	6	8	51
"	Twin Brooks, S. D.	J. J. Dragt	10	20	....	....	....
"	Valley Springs, "	Cl. Missionary	22	40	3	....	40
"	Alvord, Ia.	Cl. Missionary	14	20	3	....	32
"	Sandstone, Minn.	Thos H. De Lange	24	50	2	....	50
Ulster	Esopus, N. Y.	C. Van Oostenbrugge	70	115	....	2	100
"	Plattekill, "	Wm. H. Dickens	90	112	4	2	48
"	Highwoods, "	Vacant	....	....	....	....	....
Westchester	Greenville, "	C. A. Hallenbeck	41	66	....	2	61
"	Scarsdale, "	Vacant	....	....	....	....	....
"	Mile Square, "	C. Armbruster	47	91	1	....	100
"	Peekskill, "	Jas. Mulder	70	140	6	....	109
"	Sherwood Park, "	John S. Allen	68	70	4	7	105
"	Peekskill Hungarian, "	L. S. H. Hamory	31	38	....	....	42
Wisconsin	Randolph, Wis.	M. D. Van der Meer	67	140	15	18	70
"	Vesper, "	J. P. J. Kreys-Voorberge	23	51	....	9	90
"	Sheboygan, "	M. C. Ruissard	78	177	7	10	147

DOMESTIC MISSIONS

AUDITOR'S STATEMENT

May 21, 1919.

MR. GEORGE WARREN DUNN, *Chairman*, Business Committee,
Board of Domestic Missions, Reformed Church in America,
New York, N. Y.

DEAR SIR:

During the year ended April 30, 1919, we have audited the monthly cash transactions and written up the books of the Treasurer of the Board of Domestic Missions and submit herewith

STATEMENT OF CONDITION as at April 30, 1919

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

MISSIONARY FUND

for the Year Ended April 30, 1919

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

CHURCH BUILDING FUND

for the Year Ended April 30, 1919

The total amount of bequests and donations of which the principle is invested, amounts to \$255,700.56, which has been accounted for as shown in the attached "Statement of Condition." The amount of money on deposit with the Union Trust Company was verified and evidence of ownership of the several bonds and mortgages were inspected, together with the stocks and bonds as listed. We have performed the necessary work to satisfy ourselves that all cash transactions have been properly accounted for.

At this date it is impossible to ascertain the amount of accrued income from legacies, or donations to the Board of Domestic Missions, held in trust by the Board of Direction of the General Synod, for the reason that they have not as yet pro-rated and determined such amount.

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. F. McWHORTER & CO.,

BY CHAS. F. McWHORTER,

Certified Public Accountants, University of the
State of New York.

JUNE, 1919

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BOARD OF DOMESTIC MISSIONS

STATEMENT OF CONDITIONS, APRIL 30, 1919

FUNDS TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR:

Catharine Beekman Brownlee Memorial Fund	\$2,000.00	
Florence Lindsay Memorial Fund	1,000.00	
Ann R. Cook Memorial Fund	1,000.00	
Graham Memorial Fund	14,212.50	
Milledolar Memorial Fund	14,212.50	
Van Kleek Memorial Fund	11,000.00	
Jansen Memorial Fund	8,000.00	
Krunville Memorial Fund	2,000.00	
Elizabeth Diehl Memorial Fund	2,000.00	
Peter Cortelyou Memorial Fund	2,000.00	
Peter I. Neefus Annuity Fund	3,000.00	
Peter Seelink Annuity Fund	2,000.00	
Dirk Van Obbink Annuity Fund	500.00	
A. J. Schaefer Legacy Fund	150.00	
Josiah Schenck Legacy Fund	3,537.15	
Blauvelt Legacy Fund	1,000.00	
Sarah F. Sumner Legacy Fund	2,500.00	
Peter I. Neefus Building Fund	9,000.00	
Mary Martin Neefus Building Fund	3,000.00	
Woman's Executive Committee Trust Fund	7,500.00	
G. W. Hopper Trust Fund	1,500.00	
Rosendale Trust Fund	500.00	
Mary Martin Neefus Fund	15,532.23	
Arianna Van Houton Fund	4,000.00	
Madison Avenue Reformed Church Fund	10,000.00	
		\$121,144.38
Mrs. Rachel A. Ryerson Legacy Fund ...	\$2,000.00	
John Van de Veer Legacy Fund	950.00	
John Helen Elmendorf Legacy Fund ...	953.00	
John Antonides Legacy Fund	4,728.00	
M. F. Veeder Legacy Fund	4,386.23	
Phoebe Cowenhoven Legacy Fund	891.85	
Jane C. Morris Legacy Fund	1,000.00	
Goyen Talmage Legacy Fund	250.00	
Alida Van Schaick Legacy Fund	109,669.10	
George Cleveland Legacy Fund	5,000.00	

DOMESTIC MISSIONS

Brought Forward	\$129,828.18	\$121,144.38	
John Antonides Building Fund ..	4,728.00		
	<hr/>	\$134,556.18	
Contingent Fund		\$35,000.00	\$255,700.56
Legacy Fund—			
Invested	\$141,199.41		
Cash	49,354.85		
	<hr/>	190,554.26	
Missionary Fund		1,927.33	
Church Building Fund		33,284.27	
		<hr/>	\$260,765.86
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			\$516,466.42

ACCOUNTED FOR AS FOLLOWS:

Trust Fund Investments:

Bond and Mortgage	\$25,000.00	
Bond and Mortgage	10,000.00	
Bond and Mortgage	10,000.00	
Bond and Mortgage	14,500.00	
Bond and Mortgage	7,250.00	
Bond and Mortgage	6,000.00	
Bond and Mortgage	6,000.00	
Bond and Mortgage	12,000.00	
Bond and Mortgage	10,500.00	
Bond and Mortgage	4,000.00	
Real Estate	11,876.48	
United States Bonds	3,158.03	
	<hr/>	\$120,284.51

Legacy Fund Investments:

Bond and Mortgage	\$4,000.00	
Bond and Mortgage	3,500.00	
Bond and Mortgage	6,000.00	
Real Estate	5,104.10	
Stocks and Bonds	122,595.31	
	<hr/>	141,199.41

Held in Trust:

Board of Direction	\$129,556.18	
United States Trust Company	5,000.00	
	<hr/>	134,556.18

Cash in Union Trust Company:

General Investment Fund	\$859.87	
Contingent Fund	35,000.00	
Legacy Fund	49,354.85	
Missionary Fund	1,927.33	
Church Building Fund	33,284.27	
	<hr/>	120,426.32
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		\$516,466.42

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BOARD OF DOMESTIC MISSIONS
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
Year Ended April 30, 1919
MISSIONARY FUND

RECEIPTS

Cash on Hand, May 1, 1918:

Legacy Fund	\$101,541.89	
Available Funds	10,328.69	
		<hr/> \$111,870.58

Contributions:

From Churches	\$65,548.30	
From Churches, Special for Women's Board	14,344.50	
From Sunday Schools	11,681.08	
From Individuals	2,482.00	
		<hr/> \$94,055.88

Women's Board of Domestic Missions:

For Classical Missionaries ..	\$2,500.00	
For Student Missionaries ...	3,000.00	
		<hr/> 5,500.00

Legacies:

Estate of B. J. Lemmenes ...	50.00	
Mrs. J. M. Graham	2,000.00	
Estate of Anna Bogert	200.00	
Emily Hermanze	1,000.00	
Estate of Hannah J. Clapper.	300.00	
Estate of Charlotte A. Van Slyke	500.00	
R. Dwight Clarke	1,000.00	
		<hr/> 5,050.00

Income from Investments	\$11,311.18	
Interest on Bank Balances	2,417.05	
Sale of Property	6,706.03	
One Day's Income Fund	18,765.00	
Refund Appropriations	2,024.31	
Women's Board, Refund of Deficit	3,657.45	
Repayment of Mortgages	5,000.00	
Miscellaneous Income	3.00	
		<hr/> 49,884.72
Received for Other Boards	3,298.10	
		<hr/> 157,788.70

Total Receipts \$269,659.28

DOMESTIC MISSIONS

DISBURSEMENTS

Service in the Field:

Classical Missionaries	\$20,890.90	
Missionary Salaries	50,334.85	
Student's Salaries	5,602.92	
Missionary Field Expenses..	38.51	
Alien Workers	5,489.71	
Sundry Field Expenses	623.67	
	<hr/>	\$82,980.56

Furnishing Information of the Work:

Progress Campaign	\$570.50	
Mission Field	1,167.15	
Missionary Education	191.00	
Secretaries' Traveling	1,339.57	
Printing Leaflets	487.06	
Printing Annual Report	936.44	
Denominational Papers	275.00	
	<hr/>	4,966.72

Administrative Expenses:

Secretaries' Salaries	\$6,506.70	
Office Assistants	1,660.83	
Rent	1,180.31	
Stationery and Postage	1,024.51	
Audit	150.00	
Legal Expenses	202.43	
Sundries	839.46	
	<hr/>	\$11,564.24

Less Building Fund Proportion

1,156.42

10,407.82

Paid to Other Boards	\$3,324.87	
Paid Specials to Women's Board	14,344.50	
Women's Board of Domestic Missions, Appropriation for Deficit	3,657.45	
One Day's Income Paid to Women's Board	5,985.00	
Annuities	72.50	
Legacy Fund Invested	92,540.18	
Interest on Church Mortgages ..	97.50	
	<hr/>	120,022.00

Total Disbursements \$218,377.10

Cash on Hand, April 30, 1919:

Legacy Fund	\$49,354.85	
Available Funds	1,927.33	
	<hr/>	51,282.18
		\$269,659.28

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BOARD OF DOMESTIC MISSIONS
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
Year Ended April 30, 1919
CHURCH BUILDING FUND

RECEIPTS

Cash on Hand, May 1, 1918 \$34,570.66

Contributions:

Churches	\$9,221.91	
Sunday Schools	604.60	
Young Peoples Societies	853.16	
Individuals	195.00	
		\$10,874.67

Women's Board of Domestic Missions:

For Parsonages, etc.:	
Vesper, Wis.	\$1,000.00
Melvin, Ia.	800.00
Third Muskegon, Wis. ...	600.00
	\$2,400.00

For Furnishings:

Westerlo, N. Y.	200.00
Emanuel, Poughkeepsie, N.Y.	250.00
Second, Irvington, N. Y.	1,000.00
Sodus, N. Y.	500.00
	4,350.00

Repayments on Account of Mortgages:

Friesland, Wisc.	\$460.00
Dempster, S. Dak.	40.00
Grand Rapids, Mich., 7th....	340.00
Dell Rapids, S. Dak.	70.00
Yakima, Wash.	191.27
Kalmazoo, Mich., No. Park.	50.00
Holland, Mich., 4th	25.14
Waupun, Wisc.	150.00
Brooklyn, N. Y., South	
Bushwick	192.76
Bloomington, N. Y.	100.00
Grand Rapids, Mich., 1st....	14.80
Brooklyn, N. Y., Canarsie ...	50.00
Luctor, Kans.	75.00
Jersey City, N. J., Central	
Ave.	500.00
Williamson, N. Y.	69.00
Rochester, N. Y., 2nd	125.66
Grand Rapids, Mich., Central	82.66
Syracuse, N. Y., 2nd	240.00
Clymer, N. Y.	50.00
Rock Valley, Ia.	1,200.00
Grand Rapids, Mich., Grace..	50.00
Rochelle Park, N. J.	100.00
Baldwin, Wisc.	50.00

DOMESTIC MISSIONS

Locust Valley, N. Y.	50.00	
Newark, N. J., New York Ave.	100.00	
Yonkers, N. Y., Park Hill...	350.00	
Montclair, N. J.	75.00	
Albany, N. Y., 3rd	80.00	
Rochester, N. Y., Brighton..	38.15	
Little Falls, N. J., 2nd	35.00	
Maurice, Ia., 1st	49.25	
Silver Creek, Minn.	52.70	
Grand Haven, Mich., 2nd ...	50.00	
Harrington Park, N. J.	270.70	
De Motte, Ind.	70.00	
Chicago, Ill., West Side....	125.00	
Grand Rapids, Mich., Immanuel	100.00	
Randolph, Wisc.	50.00	
Cleveland, Ohio, Calvary....	223.40	
Stout, Iowa	30.00	
Kalamazoo, Mich., 2nd	300.00	
Altamont, N. Y.	100.00	
Hull, Iowa	105.00	
Indianapolis, Ind.	10.00	
Niskayuna, N. Y., Verdoy...	150.00	
Detroit, Mich.	5,000.00	
Portage, Mich.	200.00	
Albany, N. Y., 6th	80.00	
Grand Haven, Mich., 2nd....	75.00	
Strasburg, N. D.	100.00	
Prairie City, Ia.	900.00	
Holland, Nebr.	100.00	
		13,095.49
Legacies for General Use:		
Estate of Hannah J. Clapper	100.00	
Sale of Property:		
Norwood Park, Chicago, Ill.	\$1,766.66	
Cobleskill, N. Y.	100.00	
	\$1,866.66	
Less Refund	20.00	
		1,846.66
Income from Investments	4,916.46	
Total Receipts		\$35,183.28
		<u>\$69,753.94</u>

DISBURSEMENTS

Churches:

Netherwood, N. J.	\$2,000.00
Irvington, N. J.	7,500.00
Strasburg, N. D.	1,000.00
Sherwood Park, N. Y.	1,000.00
Emanuel, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.	1,500.00

Fairview, Michigan	2,000.00	
Mitlock, Ia.	1,200.00	
Muskegon, Mich.	2,500.00	
St. Thomas, V. I.	1,337.11	
Newburgh, N. Y.	100.00	
Zion, Grand Rapids	171.50	
Allendale, Mich.	1,600.00	
Bemis, S. D.	1,000.00	
Hamilton, Mich.	1,200.00	
	<hr/>	\$24,108.61
Parsonages:		
Zion, Grand Rapids	\$800.00	
Third Muskegon, Mich.	600.00	
First Melvin, Ia.	800.00	
Litchville, N. D.	800.00	
	<hr/>	3,000.00
Furnishings:		
Westerlo, N. Y.	\$200.00	
Emanuel, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.	250.00	
Irvington, N. Y.	1,000.00	
Sodus, N. Y.	500.00	
	<hr/>	1,950.00
Interest on Church Mortgages:		
Jersey City, N. J., West Side	\$223.50	
Brooklyn, N. Y., Ch. of Jesus	300.00	
Brooklyn, N. Y., Greenwood Heights	500.00	
Mountain Lakes, N. J.	382.50	
Clifton, N. J., Holland Ch... ..	93.75	
Newburgh, N. Y., Italian Ch.	100.00	
Newark, N. J., Christ Ch... ..	760.00	
Brooklyn, N. Y., Woodlawn.	150.00	
Brooklyn, N. Y., East New York	550.00	
Irvington, N. J., 2nd	375.00	
Howes Cave, N. Y., 2nd	36.00	
New Brunswick, N. J., Highland Park	80.00	
	<hr/>	3,550.75
Women's Board of Domestic Missions:		
Repayments of Parsonage Loans		2,570.00
Expenses:		
Insurance	\$33.00	
Legal Expenses	57.50	
Proportion of Office Expense	1,156.42	
Miscellaneous Expenses	43.39	
	<hr/>	1,290.31
Total Disbursements		\$36,469.67
Cash on Hand, April 30, 1919		33,284.27
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		\$69,753.94

SUMMARY OF CONTRIBUTIONS, SHOWING CLASSICAL AND SYNODICAL TOTALS.

CLASSES AND CHURCHES.	Missionary Fund.		Church Bldg. Fund.		From Y. P. Societies.	For W. B. D. M.	Totals.
	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
P. S. OF NEW YORK							
Hudson	726 07	69 80	76 03	39 19	46 34	501 41	1458 84
Kingston	390 52	73 52	14 15	5 35	29 85	471 18	984 57
North Long Island	1200 32	100 50	219 06	39 47	20 00	1087 69	2667 04
South Long Island	2074 65	657 31	247 11	10 00	.....	3870 31	6859 38
New York	9965 85	334 43	836 75	7 93	35 00	12498 55	23678 51
Orange	1025 14	131 28	186 93	.....	.....	693 04	2036 39
Poughkeepsie.	818 04	49 00	147 38	.....	51 86	937 22	2003 50
Westchester.	1133 11	120 53	216 68	.....	6 80	1716 91	3194 03
Totals.	17333 70	1536 37	1944 09	101 94	189 85	21776 31	42882 26
P. S. OF ALBANY							
Albany.	1549 52	82 55	348 57	10 00	7 35	2355 74	4353 73
Greene	392 17	16 00	75 17	.....	.....	445 84	929 18
Montgomery.	1185 54	86 50	188 96	14 69	14 00	1316 66	2806 35
Rensselaer.	551 82	26 39	62 11	3 00	10 72	621 81	1275 85
Rochester.	1141 93	422 07	353 54	.....	44 00	821 90	2783 44
Saratoga.	425 05	31 00	43 00	.....	.....	396 45	895 50
Schenectady.	1035 84	110 09	129 91	.....	4 25	1269 37	2549 46
Schoharie.	174 02	32 98	22 97	.....	6 32	254 26	490 55
Ulster.	736 94	58 41	55 97	.....	6 58	524 67	1382 57
Totals.	7192 83	865 99	1280 20	27 69	93 22	8006 70	17466 63
P. S. OF CHICAGO							
Cascades.	728 11	50 00	36 21	.....	20 00	125 00	959 32
Chicago.	2599 53	543 20	322 15	.....	.....	954 52	4419 40
Dakota.	2319 63	196 73	297 42	.....	3 50	1587 84	4405 12
Germania.	1609 92	36 79	166 21	4 00	20 00	246 80	2083 72
Grand River	4180 14	1562 07	399 17	146 44	59 19	1858 97	8205 98
Holland.	3962 81	1675 89	409 24	143 88	80 18	1966 95	8238 95
Illinois.	982 53	296 50	45 00	.....	.....	268 65	1592 68
Michigan.	3308 44	508 79	403 68	60 04	20 00	1909 35	6210 30
Pella.	3422 10	561 91	172 07	25 00	28 00	907 50	5116 58
Pleasant Prairie	2132 20	65 93	329 97	4 73	5 00	613 42	3151 25
East Sioux	3857 64	729 38	527 12	40 00	84 32	2084 00	7322 46
West Sioux	8360 11	524 76	407 95	.....	10 00	3513 80	12816 62
Wisconsin.	4285 40	739 65	258 61	8 70	118 87	1655 40	7066 63
Totals.	41748 56	7491 60	3774 80	432 79	449 06	17692 20	71589 01
P. S. OF N. BRUNSWICK							
Bergen.	860 08	208 66	53 16	.....	14 89	1080 84	2217 63
South Bergen	1127 82	125 17	289 74	2 50	.....	710 35	2255 58
Monmouth.	394 19	110 39	49 76	.....	5 00	779 15	1338 49
Newark.	2031 17	78 49	389 91	.....	11 00	3305 84	5816 41
New Brunswick	1178 30	102 73	328 45	2 00	.....	1303 65	2915 13
Palisades.	1367 62	115 00	185 51	.....	.....	464 49	2132 62
Paramus.	3614 59	470 30	441 98	71 25	12 93	2668 56	7279 61
Passaic.	750 78	121 77	239 27	13 37	5 61	840 11	1970 91
Philadelphia.	684 23	133 29	128 88	.....	11 00	554 62	1512 02
Raritan.	1066 77	258 02	122 12	37 21	11 65	1619 84	3115 61
Totals.	13075 55	1723 82	2228 78	126 33	72 08	13327 45	30554 01
Grand Totals	79350 64	11617 78	9227 87	688 75	804 21	60802 66	162491 81

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE BOARD OF DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

(MISSIONARY FUND AND CHURCH BUILDING FUND) BY CLASSES.

	1917-18	1918-19	Increase	Decrease
SYNOD OF ALBANY				
Albany	2108 85	1997 99		110 86
Greene	562 24	483 34		78 90
Montgomery	929 39	1489 69	560 30	
Rensselaer	547 52	654 04	106 52	
Rochester	1409 72	1961 54	551 82	
Saratoga	533 22	499 05		34 17
Schenectady	715 41	1280 09	564 68	
Schoharie	274 54	236 29		38 25
Ulster	519 51	857 90	338 39	
Totals	7600 40	9459 93	2121 71	262 18
SYNOD OF CHICAGO				
Cascades	667 38	834 32	166 94	
Chicago	3557 83	3464 88		92 95
Dakota	2625 86	2817 28	191 42	
Germany	1501 21	1836 92	335 71	
Grand River	5403 75	6347 01	943 26	
Holland	6802 49	6272 00		530 49
Illinois	1233 90	1324 03	90 13	
Michigan	3836 45	4300 95	464 50	
Pella	3540 91	4209 08	668 17	
Pleasant Prairie	3231 78	2537 83		693 95
East Sioux	5316 93	5238 46		78 47
West Sioux	6813 85	9302 82	2488 97	
Wisconsin	3476 35	5411 23	1934 88	
Totals	48008 69	53896 81	7283 98	1395 86
SYNOD OF NEW BRUNSWICK				
Bergen	1478 81	1136 79		342 02
South Bergen	1560 15	1545 23		14 92
Monmouth	384 52	559 34	174 82	
Newark	2112 49	2510 57	398 08	
New Brunswick	1703 30	1611 48		91 82
Palisades	1497 42	1668 13	170 71	
Paramus	3762 99	4611 05	848 06	
Passaic	1318 09	1130 80		187 29
Philadelphia	816 66	957 40	140 74	
Raritan	1252 50	1495 77	243 27	
Totals	15886 93	17226 56	1975 68	636 05
SYNOD OF NEW YORK				
Hudson	1255 37	957 43		297 94
Kingston	425 23	513 39	88 16	
North Long Island	1716 67	1579 35		137 32
South Long Island	2497 86	2989 07	491 21	
New York	18604 62	11179 96		424 66
Orange	1167 82	1343 35	175 53	
Poughkeepsie	949 48	1066 28	116 80	
Westchester	1605 80	1477 12		128 68
Totals	21222 85	21105 95	871 70	988 60
Grand Totals	92718 87	101689 25	12253 07	3282 69

SUMMARY OF CONTRIBUTIONS, SHOWING TOTALS FOR EACH CHURCH AND CLASSIS.

CLASSES AND CHURCHES.	Missionary Fund.		Church Bldg. Fund.		From Y. P. Societies.	For W. B. D. M.	Totals,
	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF ALBANY							
First Albany	400 00		100 00			501 25	1001 25
Madison Ave. Albany.....	709 35	58 04	216 19			1185 64	2169 22
Third Albany	40 00					35 00	75 00
Fourth Albany.....	90 95					70 00	160 95
Fifth Albany	85 00		5 00			130 00	220 00
Sixth Albany	58 95					91 00	149 95
First Bethlehem	50 19					172 50	222 69
Second Berne	12 00		1 00				13 00
Clarksville	6 30		39				6 69
Coeymans		4 00				21 00	25 00
Delmar	37 18	12 18	14 82		4 00	100 00	168 18
Jerusalem						5 00	5 00
Knox	14 00		2 00			35 00	51 00
New Baltimore	26 98	5 05			3 35		35 38
New Salem	5 85	3 28	1 17				10 30
Onesquethaw							
Union	2 67						2 67
Westerlo	10 10		8 00			9 35	27 45
Cedar Hill				10 00			10 00
Castleton							
Totals	1549 52	82 55	348 57	10 00	7 35	2355 74	4353 73
CLASSIS OF BERGEN							
First Hackensack	223 79	40 00	15 00			125 55	404 34
Schraaalenburg	52 71	30 00				110 00	192 71
English Neighborhood							
Second Hackensack	88 93		13 91			220 00	322 84
Third Hackensack	18 00						18 00
Closter	50 46	16 52	5 00			101 96	173 94
North Hackensack	10 00	31 04			5 00	43 75	89 79
Spring Valley						12 00	12 00
Westwood	168 68	55 11			9 89	65 10	298 78
Oradell	87 00	35 99	19 25			95 68	237 92
Hasbrouck Heights	40 00					145 00	185 00
Highwood	37 00					5 00	42 00
Rochelle Park						15 00	15 00
Bogota	46 51					88 75	135 26
Harrington Park	27 00					53 05	80 05
Italian Hackensack	10 00						10 00
Totals	860 08	208 66	53 16		14 89	1080 84	2217 63
CLASSIS OF SO. BERGEN							
Bergen	300 80	32 25	108 98			188 94	630 97
First Bayonne	187 00	40 00	18 70	2 50		72 00	320 20
First Jersey City		11 00				62 58	73 58
Park Jersey City						24 00	24 00
Fifth Street Bayonne	234 15		32 89			158 60	425 64

CLASSES AND CHURCHES.	Missionary Fund.		Church Bldg. Fund.		From Y. P. Societies.	For W. B. D. M.	Totals.
	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF SO. BERGEN (Continued)							
Second Hudson City	8 35						8 35
Lafayette	271 58	35 56	90 53			40 60	438 27
Greenville		6 36				67 00	73 36
Third Bayonne	15 00		5 00				20 00
First German, Jersey City	10 00						10 00
St. Johns, Jersey City							
Faith, Jersey City	100 94		33 64			96 63	231 21
West Side, Jersey City							
Totals	1127 82	125 17	289 74	2 50		710 35	2255 58
CLASSIS OF CASCADES							
Carlstadt							
Hope							
Lynden	34 56		15 72			30 00	80 28
Manhattan	55 00						55 00
Monarch	91 50						91 50
Conrad	53 97		4 29				58 26
North Yakima	83 25	50 00	5 00		20 00	20 00	178 25
Oak Harbor	177 19		11 20			30 00	218 39
Spokane	57 00						57 00
Portland	16 16						16 16
Elk							
Vincent							
Seattle	16 25					45 00	61 25
Big Timber	10 60						10 60
San Francisco	108 13						108 13
New Holland	24 50						24 50
Totals	728 11	50 00	36 21		20 00	125 00	959 32
CLASSIS OF CHICAGO							
First Chicago	279 15	20 00	50 00			25 00	374 15
West Side Chicago	63 00	147 02				95 00	305 02
Danforth	33 05	36 88					69 93
De Motte	42 53		24 36			47 25	114 14
Ebenezer	41 30	30 00					71 30
First Englewood	87 92	146 49	28 89			10 00	273 30
First Fulton	82 58		21 20			25 75	129 53
Second Fulton						85 00	85 00
Gano	28 00		28 00			44 50	100 50
Indianapolis	10 00					5 40	15 40
Lafayette	30 85		7 65			10 00	48 50
Lansing	55 00	90 00	40 00			83 00	268 00
Mount Greenwood	42 48	35 98	14 05			20 00	112 51
Newton	40 83	31 20	8 00			55 00	135 03
Randolph	64 00						64 00
First Roseland	561 17		80 00			222 12	863 29
South Holland	675 35		10 00			166 00	851 35
Ustick	97 26	5 63				30 00	132 89
Summit	64 40		10 00			17 50	91 90
Wichert	125 66					13 00	138 66
Chicago Miss. Conference	175 00						175 00
Totals	2599 53	543 20	322 15			954 52	4419 40

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CLASSES AND CHURCHES.	Missionary Fund.		Church Bldg. Fund.		From Y. P. Societies.	For W. B. D. M.	Totals.
	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF DAKOTA							
Bemis	26 50					19 50	46 00
Castlewood	42 50		20 83			27 00	90 33
Chas. Mix			10 00			85 00	95 00
Corsica	45 00		8 00			45 82	98 82
Grand View	58 00		10 00			15 00	83 00
Harrison	303 43	40 80	18 50			374 25	736 98
American Hull	25 62	10 00				26 50	62 12
Lake View							
Litchville	28 44	11 59				36 60	76 63
American Maurice	20 27		24 54			43 00	87 81
Sandham	213 71					97 72	311 43
North Marion	101 86		10 00			80 00	191 86
American Orange City	565 56	53 28	113 60			72 00	804 44
Springfield	347 07	25 00	40 08			372 00	784 15
Tyndall							
Westfield	171 30	56 06	26 87			233 45	487 68
Aurora	100 00		5 00			35 00	140 00
Strasburg	25 00		10 00			25 00	60 00
Wimbledon	18 37				3 50		21 87
Totals	2082 63	196 73	297 42		3 50	1587 84	4178 12
CLASSIS OF GERMANIA							
Chancellor	250 00		5 00			91 00	360 00
Baker						4 00	4 00
Bethany Clara City	100 00		10 00			20 00	130 00
Bethel							
Cromwell Center	50 00		15 00			4 30	69 30
Davis	45 00		5 00				50 00
Delaware						42 50	42 50
Dempster	54 60	36 79	19 00	4 00			114 39
George	45 00		10 00				55 00
Herman	9 44						9 44
Second Lennox	634 54		14 74			75 00	724 28
Logan	10 00					10 00	20 00
German Monroe	102 31		47 47				149 78
North Sibley	24 00						24 00
Salem	213 60		40 00		20 00		273 60
Scotland	38 00						38 00
Sibley	33 43						33 43
White							
Claremont							
Totals	1609 92	36 79	166 21	4 00	20 00	246 80	2803 72
CLASSIS OF GRAND RIVER							
Ada	2 50		9 57			14 00	26 07
Atwood	28 57					10 00	38 57
Beverly	39 76					30 00	69 76
Byron Center	9 00	69 86				16 71	95 57
Coopersville	157 07	43 00	32 80		21 19	180 87	444 93
Ministers' Religious Ass'n	30 00						30 00
Detroit	250 00	138 44				60 00	448 44

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	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF GRAND RIVER (Continued)							
East Paris	24 26						24 26
Falmouth	16 66						16 66
Fremont	29 96	35 99	19 13		7 00	23 31	115 39
First Grand Haven	192 24	192 65	44 26			50 00	479 15
Third Grand Rapids	235 23	90 76				194 35	520 34
Fourth Grand Rapids	270 85	153 95	10 00			94 73	529 53
Fifth Grand Rapids	1006 48	88 87	114 50	32 53		252 00	1494 38
Sixth Grand Rapids	80 00	12 91	15 00			21 00	128 91
Seventh Grand Rapids	80 00	143 07	15 00	64 66		70 00	372 73
Eighth Grand Rapids	52 02	125 61	12 45			30 00	220 08
Ninth Grand Rapids	89 00		41 00			144 00	274 00
Grandville	227 50	162 95	10 00			38 00	438 45
Grant	41 50		10 06				51 56
First Kalamazoo	29 00	50 00		20 00		159 79	258 79
Third Kalamazoo	400 00	45 00				100 00	545 00
Fourth Kalamazoo	17 00	26 00	13 00		15 00	44 00	115 00
Moddersville	19 68		5 00				24 68
First Muskegon	88 85	79 88		25 00		110 00	303 73
Third Muskegon	22 00					19 00	41 00
New Era			8 00			35 00	43 00
Decatur						4 56	4 56
Plainfield		18 13					18 13
Portage	36 00	45 00	8 00	4 25		10 00	103 25
Lucas	35 00		4 00			13 25	52 25
South Haven	45 00						45 00
Spring Lake	135 95	20 00	27 40		16 00	109 40	308 75
Trinity Grand Rapids							
Twin Lakes	21 80	20 00				25 00	66 80
Knapp Ave. Grand Rapids							
Lamont	267 00						267 00
Allegan	16 86						16 86
South Barnard	28 40						28 40
Kalzoos Miss. Fest.	155 00						155 00
Totals	4180 14	1562 07	399 17	146 44	59 19	1858 97	8205 98
CLASSIS OF GREENE							
Athens	45 00		5 00			18 50	68 50
Catskill	230 74	6 00	54 85			244 31	535 90
First Coxsackie	16 82		7 85			91 50	116 17
Second Coxsackie	97 61	10 00	7 47			14 00	129 08
Kiskatom						52 00	52 00
Leeds	2 00					25 53	27 53
Totals	392 17	16 00	75 17			445 84	929 18
CLASSIS OF HOLLAND							
Beaverdam	49 15		13 15			31 57	93 87
First Cleveland	42 41		11 00	77 88		40 60	171 89
Calvary Cleveland	227 34	187 87	15 00		10 00	120 92	561 13
Dunningville	3 00	26 12					29 12
East Overisel	126 61						126 61

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	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF HOLLAND (Continued)							
Ebenezer	36 72	70 32				80 00	187 04
Graafschap	126 11	10 00	20 15		6 88		162 94
Hamilton	98 94	120 00				129 68	348 62
Harlem							
First Holland	396 70	200 00	54 75	40 00	8 87	125 00	825 32
Third Holland	518 50	92 00	16 00	17 00		234 16	877 66
Fourth Holland	74 03	70 56	25 14		18 88	65 79	254 40
Hudsonville	45 36						45 36
First Jamestown	50 23	255 46	25 65			193 70	525 04
Second Jamestown	190 43		18 11			91 50	300 04
North Blendon	20 00		3 00		8 00	17 50	48 50
North Holland	189 00	35 00	32 60	9 00		76 00	341 60
Overisel	444 99		65 19		14 80	102 45	627 43
South Blendon	19 40	56 33			12 95	59 10	147 78
Three Oaks	12 40		4 00			30 00	46 40
Vriesland	197 74	150 00	14 00			250 50	612 24
First Zeeland	321 25	96 73	75 00			100 00	592 98
Second Zeeland	440 00	300 00				218 48	958 48
W. Olive	5 50	5 50					11 00
Sixth Holland	7 00		16 50				23 50
Colonial Miss. Fest	320 00						320 00
Totals	3962 81	1675 89	409 24	143 88	80 18	1966 95	8238 95
CLASSIS OF HUDSON							
Claverack	42 63	4 73			13 50	89 63	158 49
Gallatin	13 51	1 82				2 05	17 38
Germantown	111 76	18 00	12 67			20 00	162 43
Greenport						60 00	60 00
Hudson	166 27	25 97		21 11		161 10	374 45
Linlithgo	81 38	4 60		9 80		29 60	125 38
Livingston Memorial			3 00		10 00		13 00
Mellenville	57 59	14 68	9 77		22 84	9 28	114 16
Philmont	252 93		50 59			129 75	433 27
West Copake				8 28			8 28
Totals	726 07	69 80	76 03	39 19	46 34	501 41	1458 84
CLASSIS OF ILLINOIS							
Italian Miss. Chicago		9 78				68 00	77 78
Emanuel	20 00	20 00				10 00	50 00
Bethany	553 98	167 74	10 00				731 72
Fairview	198 39	27 76	20 00			60 55	306 70
Manito						2 50	2 50
Second Englewood						99 10	99 10
Raritan	14 90					7 50	22 40
Spring Lake	33 00						33 00
North Western		20 00				21 00	41 00
Trinity	72 26	51 22	15 00				138 48
Whiteside Co. Miss. Fest	90 00						90 00
Totals	982 53	296 50	45 00			268 65	1592 68

CLASSES AND CHURCHES.	Missionary Fund.		Church Bldg. Fund.		From Y. P. Societies.	For W. B. D. M.	Totals.
	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF KINGSTON							
Bloomingsdale	27 47				5 85	33 00	66 32
High Falls		20 00				27 00	47 00
Alligerville	5 00						5 00
Gardiner						22 00	22 00
Guilford						43 26	43 26
Hurley	71 02		4 00		9 00	61 00	145 02
Fair St.	191 52	45 00				103 50	340 02
Lyonsville	3 00		4 25				7 25
Libertyville							
Marbletown	40 00	6 02		5 35	15 00	10 00	76 37
North Marbletown	1 50		1 90			19 00	22 40
New Paltz	28 40					126 02	154 42
Rochester	19 61					7 50	27 11
Rosendale Plains						2 50	2 50
St. Remy		2 50					2 50
Mt. Marion						13 90	13 90
Krumville	3 00		4 00			2 50	9 50
Totals	390 52	73 52	14 15	5 35	29 85	471 18	984 57
CLASSIS OF NORTH LONG ISLAND							
Jamaica	310 10		16 90			274 93	601 93
Newtown	17 00					56 25	73 25
Oyster Bay	2 25					20 00	22 25
North Hempstead	37 50		15 00			25 00	77 50
Williamsburgh						64 50	64 50
Astoria							
Flushing	400 00		100 00			137 30	637 30
Kent St.	12 20		2 20			15 75	30 15
South Bushwick	35 00			24 47		59 00	118 47
Second Astoria	9 00	7 00	7 00	5 00		25 00	53 00
Queens	21 00	47 30	3 50			205 96	277 76
German, Brooklyn	7 50	8 00	5 00			3 50	24 00
Sayville	31 69	11 04			20 00	35 00	97 73
Locust Valley	45 01					20 00	65 01
College Point	124 03	10 00	62 46	10 00		12 50	218 99
First Long Island City	10 00	11 10				66 00	87 10
German, Jamaica	10 00						10 00
Hicksville	5 00						5 00
German, Newtown	25 00						25 00
Steinway	21 04	6 06	5 00				32 10
Church of Jesus							
New Hyde Park	50 00					30 00	80 00
Sunnyside	2 00		2 00			2 00	6 00
Winfield	15 00					10 00	25 00
Far Rockaway	10 00						10 00
Hollis						25 00	25 00
Totals	1200 32	100 50	219 06	39 47	20 00	1087 69	2667 04

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	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF SOUTH LONG ISLAND							
First Brooklyn	550 00	268 70				737 50	1556 20
Flatbush	538 00		65 00			1122 94	1725 94
Grace, Flatbush	200 50	24 00				277 75	502 25
New Utrecht	89 47	111 68	25 00			92 19	318 34
Gravesend	30 76	90 01	12 66			334 50	467 93
Flatlands	40 22	40 00	22 85			282 24	385 31
Bethany						25 50	25 50
Forest Park	100 00	12 12				42 00	154 12
South Brooklyn	100 00	50 00	50 00			278 00	478 00
Twelfth Street	27 96		18 26			25 00	71 22
Heights	49 30		26 35			436 40	512 05
New Brooklyn	25 00		5 00				30 00
Second Flatbush	50 00						50 00
Little Neck						12 50	12 50
Canarsie	10 00						10 00
St. Thomas	65 57	5 00				10 00	80 57
Ocean Hill	19 69	20 82	6 02				46 53
Edgewood	49 63		5 97			50 00	105 60
Ridgewood	28 00						28 00
Woodlawn	25 00					32 79	57 79
Greenwood Heights	30 00		10 00			61 00	101 00
Bay Ridge	45 55			10 00		50 00	105 55
Flatlands Neck		21 18					21 18
Gravesend Neck		13 80					13 80
Totals	2074 65	657 31	247 11	10 00		3870 31	6859 38
CLASSIS OF MICHIGAN							
Allendale	54 46	30 00				20 37	104 83
Hamilton American						23 56	23 56
Grand Rapids, Bethany	269 00		35 00			260 00	564 00
Kalamazoo, Bethany	180 72	20 60	50 00			198 35	449 67
Grand Rapids, Bethel	62 20	82 92	10 50				155 62
Grand Rapids, Calvary	88 23		15 00			40 00	143 23
Grand Rapids, Grace	149 80	40 00				80 00	269 80
Grand Rapids, Central	975 38		129 01			440 00	1544 39
Second Grand Haven	42 50		15 00				57 50
Holland, Hope	264 79	75 00	38 98			269 95	648 72
Grand Rapids, Immanuel	100 00		50 00			73 00	223 00
Second Kalamazoo	400 00					136 50	536 50
Grand Rapids, Knapp Ave.	68 00		10 00			4 00	82 00
Second Muskegon	54 35		8 85	19 39		166 66	249 25
Kalamazoo, North Park	77 79	110 17				47 46	235 42
Holland, Trinity	153 07	115 10	21 34	40 65		90 00	420 16
Grand Rapids, Trinity	109 65	20 00	10 00			7 50	147 15
Muskegon, Unity	75 50				20 00	8 00	103 50
Grand Rapids, Zion	95 00	15 00	10 00			35 00	155 00
Grand Rapids, Mission Fest.	65 00						65 00
Fairview	23 00					9 00	32 00
Totals	3308 44	508 79	403 68	60 04	20 00	1909 35	6210 30

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	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF MONMOUTH							
First Freehold	74 21	35 86	5 00	84 98	200 05
Holmdel	48 80	7 00	3 50	.....	.....	31 74	91 04
Middletown	13 86	.....	5 98	.....	.....	146 55	166 39
Second Freehold	183 74	42 35	22 20	.....	.....	165 00	413 29
Keyport	30 00	10 00	10 00	.....	.....	124 50	174 50
Long Branch .....	.....	3 79	.....	.....	.....	32 80	36 59
Colts Neck	8 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	35 70	43 70
Asbury Park	19 23	4 02	3 08	.....	.....	37 63	63 96
Red Bank	16 35	7 37	5 00	.....	.....	120 25	148 97
Totals	394 19	110 39	49 76	.....	5 00	779 15	1338 49
CLASSIS OF MONTGOM- ERY							
First Amsterdam	80 00	.....	.....	8 05	.....	83 43	171 48
Amsterdam, Trinity	45 94	.....	12 25	.....	.....	110 00	168 19
Auriesville	9 97	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9 97
Canajoharie	28 36	7 61	16 79	6 64	.....	55 00	114 40
Cicero	9 70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9 70
Columbia	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00
Cranesville .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Currytown .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ephratah .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Florida	21 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	42 00	63 00
Fonda	52 26	10 00	12 53	.....	.....	86 00	160 79
Fort Herkimer .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fort Plain	105 60	3 25	5 00	.....	.....	102 00	215 85
Fultonville	10 00	7 00	7 50	.....	.....	24 47	48 97
Glen	16 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	26 00
Hagaman	53 20	21 23	25 23	.....	.....	71 78	171 44
Herkimer	339 44	10 41	38 16	.....	.....	45 00	433 01
Interlaken	73 05	.....	18 29	.....	.....	108 63	199 97
Johnstown	22 25	.....	9 85	.....	.....	32 50	64 60
Lodi	50 00	10 00	10 00	.....	.....	96 85	166 85
Manheim .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mapletown .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mohawk .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	5 00
Naumburg	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	45 00	55 00
Owasco	25 00	.....	12 50	.....	.....	.....	37 50
Owasco Outlet	35 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	35 25
St. Johnsville	37 50	.....	4 00	.....	.....	150 00	191 50
Sprakers	2 44	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 00	6 44
Stone Arabia .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
First Syracuse	6 00	.....	1 50	.....	.....	70 00	77 50
Second Syracuse	45 00	17 00	5 00	.....	.....	20 00	87 00
Thousand Isles	28 50	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	38 50
Utica	62 73	.....	10 36	.....	.....	140 00	213 09
West Leyden	8 50	4 00	15 00	27 50
Sammons ville	4 85	4 85
Totals	1185 54	86 50	188 96	14 69	14 00	1316 66	2266 35

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	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF NEWARK							
Belleville	100 67	16 95	33 56			63 82	215 00
First Newark	75 00					145 00	220 00
First Irvington						25 00	25 00
N. Y. Ave. Newark	5 84	3 32	2 25			47 72	59 13
Franklin	120 00		25 00			119 22	264 22
North Newark	1205 16		197 22			1464 25	2866 63
West Newark							
Clinton Ave. Newark	34 74	25 00	35 24			646 00	740 98
Trinity Newark	37 51		80			27 00	65 31
Linden	40 00	26 62	10 00			26 73	103 35
Christ Church Newark	53 46					5 00	58 46
Brookdale		4 26			11 00		15 26
First Orange	42 33		9 15			220 00	271 48
Trinity Plainfield	177 20		71 20			238 10	486 50
German Plainfield							
Montclair	105 00	2 34				123 00	230 34
Hyde Park	29 26		5 49			150 50	184 75
Netherwood						5 00	5 00
Marconnier	5 00						5 00
Second Irvington							
Italian Miss.							
Totals	2031 17	78 49	389 91		11 00	3305 84	5816 41
CLASSIS OF NEW BRUNSWICK							
First New Brunswick	171 00	75 00	148 00			173 50	567 50
Second New Brunswick	450 00		30 00			197 89	677 89
Suydam St. New Brunswick	26 12		70 05			175 00	271 17
Six Mile Run	102 51		12 47			151 60	266 58
Hillsborough	60 19	8 66	14 55			161 80	245 20
Middlebush	49 78					57 00	106 78
Griggstown	36 10					62 05	98 15
Bound Brook	76 06		8 23			86 35	170 64
East Millstone	11 20	5 00	3 59			64 10	83 89
Metuchen	105 10	14 07	31 56			59 80	210 53
Highland Park	12 50					44 95	57 45
Rocky Hill	30 09					31 61	61 70
Spotswood	27 65		5 00			16 00	48 65
Perth Amboy	20 00			2 00			22 00
East Somerville			5 00			10 00	15 00
Throop Ave.						12 00	12 00
Totals	1178 30	102 73	328 45	2 00		1303 65	2915 13
CLASSIS OF NEW YORK							
Collegiate	7249 19	106 02	545 60		25 00	10745 63	18671 44
Fort Washington						26 97	26 97
34th Street		25 00	25 00			110 00	160 00
Knox Mem'l	316 88	35 00	30 70			33 45	416 03
Vermilye						25 00	25 00
Sunshine'							
Harlem	1109 90		26 84			410 00	1546 74

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	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF NEW YORK							
(Continued)							
Elmendorf	106 94					85 00	191 94
Staten Island	72 00	50 00	25 40			222 00	369 40
Fordham	80 00		17 00			60 00	157 00
68th Street	60 00		10 00				70 00
Manor Chapel	9 97					139 50	149 47
Brighton Heights	162 36	51 83	30 00	7 93			252 12
Zion	55 00	5 00	5 00				65 00
West Farms	9 04						9 04
Huguenot Park							
Mott Haven	71 42		24 97			12 00	108 39
Melrose	8 00		5 00			50 00	63 00
Fourth German	30 00				10 00		40 00
Union						78 90	78 90
Grace							
Hamilton Grange	137 98	20 00	18 46			165 00	341 44
Anderson Mem'l						10 00	10 00
Comforter	43 93		8 78				52 71
Bethany	90 00	30 00	10 00			58 33	188 33
Mariners Harbor	15 00	11 58	4 00			8 50	39 08
Avenue B	20 00						20 00
Grace	200 00		50 00				250 00
Colony	59 24					170 00	229 24
Lawton	59 00						59 00
White Tail						18 00	18 00
Winnebago						37 50	37 50
Apache						15 00	15 00
McKee						1 29	1 29
Annville						10 00	10 00
Gray Hawk						6 48	6 48
Totals	9965 85	334 43	836 75	7 93	35 00	12498 55	23678 51
CLASSIS OF ORANGE							
Bloomingsburgh						51 00	51 00
Callicoon	33 55						33 55
Claraville							
Cuddebackville							
Deer Park	102 00	50 00	20 00			60 00	232 00
Ellenville	280 04		15 41			45 00	340 45
Grahamsville	25 00						25 00
Kerhonkson		3 00					3 00
Mamakating	36 00						36 00
Minisink							
Montgomery	103 35		37 45				140 80
Newburgh	156 89		41 85			149 50	348 24
New Hurley	23 65	16 50	7 00			44 36	91 51
New Prospect	30 50		6 50			97 50	134 50
Shawangunk	88 13	16 80	5 00			42 00	151 93
Unionville							
Walden	92 67		29 65			55 00	177 32
Wallkill	30 63	44 98	12 34			121 68	209 63
Lower Walpack						5 00	5 00

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	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF ORANGE (Continued)							
Upper Walpack	5 00					12 00	17 00
Warwarsing	8 00		2 00				10 00
West End	9 73		9 73			10 00	29 46
Woodbourne							
Totals	1025 14	131 28	186 93			693 04	2036 39
CLASSIS OF PALISADES							
New Durham	300 00	75 00	50 00			190 00	615 00
Italian						6 49	6 49
Hope West Hoboken						5 00	5 00
North Bergen	198 00		15 00			45 00	258 00
German Hoboken	80 00		30 00				110 00
Coytesville	21 18		4 18			12 00	37 36
Guttenburg	47 60					15 00	62 60
Central Ave. Jersey City	285 20	40 00	44 80			61 00	431 00
Secaucus							
First West Hoboken	10 00					25 00	25 00
Trinity	250 00		20 00			85 00	355 00
Woodcliff	175 64		21 53			20 00	217 17
Totals	1367 62	115 00	185 51			464 49	2132 62
CLASSIS OF PARAMUS							
Acquackanonk	713 43	91 67	154 12			699 42	1658 64
Athenia	45 05		8 99			37 82	91 86
Clarkstown		20 54					20 54
Clifton	140 64		23 44			201 64	365 72
Clifton Holland		15 00				11 50	26 50
Garfield	50 50	7 00		10 00			67 50
Glen Rock		22 35					22 35
Hawthorne	40 00	1 51		4 00		5 00	50 51
Hohokus	40 19		2 00			49 00	91 19
First Lodi	35 07	27 00					62 07
Second Lodi							
North Paterson	13 00	10 31				291 25	314 56
Paramus	540 38	29 65	29 47	1 47		69 00	669 97
Pasack	53 78		5 00		2 93		61 71
First Holland Passaic	225 00	51 21	27 35	10 00		165 00	478 56
North Passaic	355 18	10 00	9 04	45 78		102 97	522 97
Broadway Paterson	136 70		24 45			85 00	246 15
Covenant Paterson	54 30		25 72			39 78	119 80
First Paterson	35 00						35 00
Second Paterson	148 76		15 00			82 00	245 76
Piermont	20 00					70 00	90 00
Ramapo	86 37	40 00	30 00			78 08	234 45
Ridgewood	474 72		53 72		10 00	240 00	778 44
Saddle River	13 21	3 60				6 00	22 81
Spring Valley	51 00	50 00				79 44	180 44
Tappan	19 00					87 98	106 98
Upper Ridgewood						20 00	20 00
Waldwick	2 50					2 50	5 00

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	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF PARAMUS (Continued)							
Warwick	256 20	76 00	28 33			201 68	562 21
W. N. Hempstead.....	18 00					5 00	23 00
First Wortendyke.....	19 74		5 35			6 50	31 59
Trinity Wortendyke.....	14 21	7 28				32 00	53 49
Lake View Ave.....	12 66	7 18					19 84
Totals	3614 59	470 30	441 98	71 25	12 93	2668 56	7279 61
CLASSIS OF PASSAIC							
Boonton	42 50					5 00	47 50
Fairfield							
Lincoln Park					5 61	97 75	311 27
First Little Falls.....	127 23	34 10	46 58				25 00
Second Little Falls.....	25 00						12 35
Montville	12 35					22 50	67 50
Mountain Lakes	45 00		15 00				65 00
People's Park	50 00					244 75	244 75
Pompton						197 20	512 56
Pompton Plains	196 86	24 31	94 19				
Ponds	16 37	10 00				18 71	45 08
Preakness	83 50	13 36	33 00	13 37		14 20	157 43
Riverside			27 00				27 00
Sixth Holland							
Totowa						145 00	287 00
Union	82 00	40 00	20 00				24 50
Wanaque	21 00		3 50			95 00	111 80
Wyckoff	16 80						32 17
Pompton Lakes	32 17						
Totals	750 78	121 77	239 27	13 37	5 61	840 11	1970 91
CLASSIS OF PELLA							
Pleasant Grove						20 00	20 00
Bethany	64 03	11 75	5 50			20 25	101 53
Bethel	18 56		9 61			67 75	95 92
Oskaloosa	56 50						56 50
Leighton	310 29	50 20			10 00	105 00	475 49
Eddyville	10 00		5 00			30 00	45 00
Galesburg	1 35		1 35			5 00	7 70
Killduff	26 27		5 11			25 00	56 38
New Sharon	47 05					40 00	87 05
Otley	353 76	91 25	45 50			120 00	610 51
First Pella	1072 00	159 46	75 00			67 50	1373 96
Second Pella	747 00		25 00		18 00	209 00	999 00
Third Pella	312 50	184 22		25 00		108 00	629 72
Prairie City	31 90	34 34				40 00	106 24
Sully	10 00	14 94				30 00	54 94
Sand Ridge		15 75					15 75
Miss. Fest.	360 89						360 89
East Prairie						20 00	20 00
Totals	3422 10	561 91	172 07	25 00	28 00	907 50	5116 58

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CLASSES AND CHURCHES.	Missionary Fund.		Church Bldg. Fund.		From Y. P. Societies.	For W. B. D. M.	Totals.
	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF PHILADELPHIA							
N. & S. Hampton	139 65	25 43	8 05				173 13
Harlingen	112 26		27 12			108 00	247 38
Neshanic	86 57	12 50	17 43			168 50	285 00
First Philadelphia	84 43		4 78			58 49	147 70
Fourth Philadelphia	62 50	62 50				65 00	190 00
Blawenburg	35 70	5 86	11 90			31 50	84 96
Stanton		2 00			5 00	31 00	38 00
Clover Hill	7 00					10 00	17 00
Fifth Philadelphia	15 00		15 00			6 00	36 00
Addisville	71 30	25 00	22 60			27 50	146 40
Three Bridges	17 00		2 00		6 00	33 63	58 63
Talmage Mem'l	52 82		20 00			15 00	87 82
Timmons ville							
Florence							
Totals	684 23	133 29	128 88		11 00	554 62	1512 02
CLASSIS OF PLEASANT PRAIRIE							
Alexander	74 44		9 00			25 36	108 80
Aplington	210 14		31 19			88 56	329 89
Baileyville	149 72		15 00				164 72
Bristow	70 00		5 00			95 00	170 00
Buffalo Center	246 43		10 00				256 43
Dumont	50 00	5 00	10 50			15 00	80 50
Ebenezer	180 00		10 00				190 00
Elim	39 00	6 00	6 00		5 00	1 00	57 00
Fairview	18 30						18 30
Forreston	275 00		75 00			25 00	375 00
Immanuel	110 00		89 28			25 00	224 28
Meservey	307 89	50 00	25 00			26 00	408 89
Monroe	60 00		10 00			30 00	100 00
Parkersburg	167 10		20 00				187 10
Second Pekin							
Peoria	28 97	4 93	14 00	4 73		17 04	69 67
Ramsay	49 24					115 00	164 24
Silver Creek							
Stout						65 46	65 46
Washington							
Wellsburg						45 00	45 00
Zion						30 00	30 00
Britt	20 65						20 65
Parkersburg Miss.	31 00						31 00
Goodell	17 92						17 92
Browndale	16 40						16 40
Miss. Stations	10 00					10 00	20 00
Totals	2132 20	65 93	329 97	4 73	5 00	613 42	3151 25
CLASSIS OF POUGHKEEPSIE							
Poughkeepsie	323 43		85 20			502 50	911 13
Fishkill	54 06		9 92			50 92	114 90
Hopewell Junction	76 20					31 00	107 20
New Hackensack	26 57	5 00				33 80	65 37

CLASSES AND CHURCHES.	Missionary Fund.		Church Bldg. Fund.		From Y. P. Societies.	For W. B. D. M.	Totals.
	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF POUGH-KEEPSIE (Continued)							
Rhinebeck	44 50	25 00				95 00	164 50
Beacon	95 23	15 12	38 08		51 86	102 00	302 29
Hyde Park		3 88				5 00	8 88
Glenham							
Millbrook	139 97		8 88			90 00	238 85
Arlington						20 00	20 00
Upper Red Hook	58 08		5 30			7 00	70 38
Emanuel							
Totals	818 04	49 00	147 38		51 86	937 22	2003 50
CLASSIS OF RARITAN							
First Raritan	266 28	96 07	15 00			142 75	520 10
Second Raritan	315 00					524 38	839 38
Third Raritan	52 05	48 04	14 04			103 00	217 13
Fourth Raritan	25 00		10 00				35 00
Readington	33 76	24 47				59 03	117 26
Bedminster	103 60	19 07	20 54	17 87		132 00	293 03
Lebanon	66 72		26 68			169 94	263 34
Rockaway	10 00					38 85	48 85
North Branch	43 71		5 18	10 16		202 55	261 60
Peapack	38 57	13 00	12 80		11 65	39 50	115 52
South Branch	78 77	18 59	7 88	9 18		50 50	164 92
Pottersville						12 50	12 50
High Bridge	20 00	27 33	5 00			58 84	111 17
Annandale	13 31	8 74				2 50	24 55
Finderne		2 71	5 00				7 71
New Center						83 50	83 50
Totals	1066 77	2580 02	122 12	37 21	11 65	1619 84	3115 61
CLASSIS OF RENSSALAER							
Bloomingsgrove	20 00	19 64	8 00		9 72	23 53	80 89
Castleton	87 00		5 00			60 00	152 00
Chatham	37 50		15 00			96 35	148 85
First Ghent	43 45		1 00		1 00	30 80	76 25
Second Ghent	18 50		5 00			48 38	71 88
Greenbush	22 50	3 75				56 10	82 35
Kinderhook	149 65		8 48			202 00	360 13
Nassau	47 40	3 00	14 10	3 00		50 00	117 50
New Concord	14 26		3 93			25 00	43 19
First Rensselaer						19 00	19 00
Schodack	10 00					40 00	20 00
Schodack Landing	50 00					65	50 65
Stuyvesant	26 56		1 60				28 16
Stuyvesant Falls	25 00						25 00
Totals	551 82	26 39	62 11	3 00	10 72	621 81	1275 85

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CLASSES AND CHURCHES.	Missionary Fund.		Church Bldg. Fund.		From Y. P. Societies.	For W. B. D. M.	Totals.
	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER							
Abbe	75 00	65 00	50 00			60 00	250 00
Arcadia	89 00	23 14				42 60	154 74
Brighton	75 27	43 63	10 00		4 00	43 00	175 90
Buffalo	25 00		5 00			61 00	91 00
Clymerhill	65 74	32 12	9 66			25 98	133 50
Cutting							
East Williamson	82 29		20 00		5 00	91 00	198 29
First Marion	15 00	15 10				19 55	49 55
Second Marion	78 21	17 19	17 94			45 32	158 66
Ontario	40 00	30 00	5 00			28 75	103 75
Palmyra	70 00		15 00			27 50	112 50
Pultneyville	136 00	85 00	15 00			57 00	293 00
First Rochester	146 75		20 00		30 00	252 14	448 89
Second Rochester		24 56	103 50			40 72	168 78
Sodus	56 17	12 60	42 44			12 34	123 55
Tyre		50 73					50 73
Williamson	37 50	23 00	40 00		5 00	15 00	120 50
Rochester Missionary Fest....	150 00						150 00
Totals	1141 93	422 07	353 54		44 00	821 90	2783 44
CLASSIS OF SARATOGA							
Boght	20 95	11 00	2 00			14 95	48 90
Buskirks	20 00		5 00			54 90	79 90
Cohoes	135 26		18 60			51 00	204 86
Easton							
Fort Miller	15 00	5 00	5 00				25 00
Gansevoort	5 00					18 00	23 00
Greenwich	145 69					42 00	187 69
Northumberland	15 00					37 60	52 60
Saratoga		15 00	3 55			37 00	55 55
Schaghticoke							
West Troy No.	38 15		8 85			116 00	163 00
Wynantskill	23 00					25 00	48 00
Bacon Hill	7 00						7 00
Totals	425 05	31 00	43 00			396 45	895 50
CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY							
Altamont	44 49					56 00	100 49
Amity	9 40	6 00				10 00	25 40
Glenville	15 00		8 32			41 00	64 32
Helderberg	9 69	5 00	9 13			39 00	62 82
Lishas Kill	35 58					87 00	122 58
Niskayuna	64 71	25 00				154 15	243 86
Princetown						39 45	39 45
First Rotterdam	24 07					62 19	86 26
Second Rotterdam						44 75	44 75
First Schenectady	64 99		12 46			160 50	237 95
Second Schenectady	451 82	45 20	25 00			111 00	633 00

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	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY (Continued)							
Mt. Pleasant	113 60		15 00			145 00	273 50
Bellevue	82 75	7 40	50 00			166 14	306 29
Scotia	103 00	21 49	10 00			126 13	260 62
Woodlawn	16 74				4 25	27 06	48 05
Totals	1035 84	110 09	129 91		4 25	1269 37	2549 46
CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE							
Beaverdam	24 10					45 00	69 10
Berne	37 12	28 48	13 70			16 83	96 13
Cobleskill							
Gilboa	26 00		5 00			18 50	49 50
First Howes Cave	25 00					8 19	33 19
Second Howes Cave	15 80	4 50				76 34	96 64
Lawyersville	21 00		4 27		6 32	23 00	54 59
Middleburg						5 00	5 00
North Blenheim							
Prattsville	10 00					32 20	42 20
Schoharie	15 00					29 20	44 20
Sharon							
Sharon Center							
Totals	174 02	32 98	22 97		6 32	254 26	490 55
CLASSIS OF EAST SIOUX							
Alton	202 08		24 52		20 00	78 25	324 85
Archer	100 00	30 00	15 00			37 50	182 50
Bigelow	11 55		5 15				16 70
Boydton	297 24	70 00	60 00	40 00	5 00	111 50	583 74
Free Grace	156 00		30 00		1 00	160 00	356 00
Holland	452 45		80 00			639 20	1171 65
Hospers	274 30	175 00			25 32	130 00	604 62
Iretton	100 57	10 50	9 68			20 00	140 75
Lester	36 31						36 32
Luctor	50 02		5 00			76 00	131 02
Matlock	17 11		5 58				22 69
Melvin	14 28		4 13				18 41
Orange City	939 66		78 33		9 00	544 27	1571 26
Pella	56 37	15 00	18 20			89 50	179 07
Prairie View	71 65	150 00				89 90	311 55
Rotterdam	7 00	8 00				10 00	25 00
Rock Rapids						30 00	30 00
Sanborn	50 75	70 88				10 00	131 63
Sheldon	497 93		110 00			45 00	652 93
Sibley	12 43		10 57				23 00
Sioux City	12 86					2 88	15 74
Wichita	10 00		5 00				15 00
Newkirk	477 08	200 00	65 96		15 00	10 00	768 04
Firth	10 00						10 00
Totals	3857 64	729 38	527 12	40 00	84 32	2084 00	7322 46

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CLASSES AND CHURCHES.	Missionary Fund.		Church Bldg. Fund.		From Y. P. Societies.	For W. B. D. M.	Totals.
	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF WEST SIOUX							
Alvord	300 00	16 50	5 00			100 00	421 50
Bethel	494 98		40 00				534 98
Carmel	233 96	89 01	15 00			232 50	570 47
Chandler	138 00	12 00	30 00				180 00
Churchville	13 15		3 00			28 00	44 15
Clara City	13 28						13 28
Doon	33 00	20 00	14 34			40 00	107 34
Edgerton	108 00		26 50			91 52	226 02
Fairview	34 00		5 00				39 00
Friesland							
Fruitland Mesa	20 00					267 50	287 50
Hull	575 73		69 68		10 00		655 41
Inwood	47 05	67 70	13 30			47 50	175 55
Maurice	2028 74		49 25				2077 99
Rock Valley	141 39	75 00	22 53			280 00	518 92
Roseland	149 02					25 63	174 65
Sandstone	17 00		5 00			5 00	27 00
Silver Creek	65 40					7 50	72 90
Sioux Center Central	830 68	15 98	23 23			1149 71	2019 60
First Sioux Center	2729 99	173 57	75 00			1044 25	4022 81
Spring Creek						23 24	23 24
Steen	122 69	55 00	8 03			106 45	292 17
Twin Brooks	9 29						9 29
Valley Spring	227 00					65 00	292 00
Volga	27 76		3 09				30 85
Totals	8360 11	524 76	407 95		10 00	3513 80	12816 62
CLASSIS OF ULSTER							
Blue Mountain						31 00	31 00
Comforter	36 59	20 00	16 00			47 00	119 59
Esopus	25 00						25 00
Flatbush	8 10					14 38	22 48
Grand Gorge							
High Woods	6 34					3 34	9 68
Roxbury	85 00					35 00	120 00
Kaatsbaan						10 00	10 00
First Kingston	428 19	38 41	20 00			288 75	775 35
Plattekill	14 79		4 43				19 22
Port Ewen	16 89		5 54		5 33	26 00	53 76
Saugerties	106 14		10 00		1 25	37 70	155 09
West Hurley	2 20						2 20
Woodstock	7 70					31 50	39 20
Totals	736 94	58 41	55 97		6 58	524 67	1382 57
CLASSIS OF WESTCHESTER							
Bronxville	284 83					469 66	754 49
Cortlandtown	10 40				6 80	98 50	115 70
Crescent Place						15 00	15 00
Hastings	10 00	15 00					25 00

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	Churches.	Sunday Schools.	Churches.	Sunday Schools.			
CLASSIS OF WESTCHES-TER (Continued)							
Mt. Vernon	116 47	25 00	36 10			145 00	322 57
Mile Square	45 00		2 50			39 00	86 50
Nyack	101 62		50 82			196 00	348 44
Park Hill	313 60	30 53	67 20			367 25	778 58
Scarsdale	5 00					10 00	15 00
First Tarrytown	162 38	50 00	34 20			200 00	446 58
Second Tarrytown	78 69		19 56			60 00	158 25
Unionville	5 12		6 30			17 00	28 42
Greenville						27 00	27 00
Peekskill						12 50	12 50
Yonkers						60 00	60 00
Totals	1133 11	120 53	216 68		6 80	1716 91	3194 03
CLASSIS OF WISCONSIN							
Alto	1040 43	191 09	44 90		79 37	140 24	1496 03
Baldwin	117 50	16 96	25 25			174 00	333 71
Cedar Grove	602 00					245 00	847 00
Second Englewood	59 50	133 00	24 70				217 20
Forestville	47 55					5 00	52 55
Franklin			30 00			108 61	380 11
Friesland	241 50				10 00	87 00	315 99
Gibbsville	140 96	50 00	28 03			190 00	1142 50
Greenleafon	815 34	100 88	27 58	8 70		105 60	314 30
Hingham	133 70	40 00	20 00		15 00	176 00	291 00
Milwaukee	105 00		10 00			127 50	276 62
Oostburg	149 12					47 00	62 00
Randolph	15 00					27 50	148 00
Sheboygan	62 26	26 75	25 00		6 50		134 52
Sheboygan Falls	119 76	14 76					23 36
Vesper	18 51		4 85				80 00
Sheboygan Co. Fest.	80 00						
Waupun	254 03	166 21	18 30		8 00	221 95	668 49
Alto, Waupun, Friesland, Ran- dolph Fest.	283 25						283 25
Totals	4285 40	739 65	258 61	8 70	118 87	1655 40	7066 63

DOMESTIC MISSIONS

INDIVIDUAL AND UNCLASSIFIED CONTRIBUTIONS FOR
DOMESTIC MISSIONS

Mr. J. Zuiderfeld.....	\$ 2.50	Mr. R. Lubbers	50.00
Miss Mary L. Neer.....	20.00	Mr. A. J. Smol.....	10.00
Students, New Brunswick, N. J.	75.39	"Cambridge, N. Y.".....	5.00
Albany, N. Y., Friend....	25.00	Mrs. Jemima Longyear....	30.00
Newark, N. Y., Friend....	10.00	Rev. G. W. Labaw.....	5.00
San Francisco, Cal., Friend.	5.00	Mr. William Bruggers	25.00
"In Memory of W.".....	100.00	Rev. Dr. J. W. Beardslee..	20.00
Friend	25.00	Mr. E. A. Vander Veen....	500.00
Miss Carrie E. Bogardus..	6.00	Estate of Mrs. J. Gruis...	25.00
French Class, Churchville, Pa.	18.06	Veenker Family	5.00
Mrs. H. Kamphuis	5.00	Miss M. Reed	5.00
Brooklyn, N. Y., Friend...	5.00	Mr. Jacob Newendyk.....	50.00
"W. & E. A.".....	10.00	Mr. William Voorhees	10.00
"D. S. M.".....	10.00	Rev. Dr. E. G. Read.....	10.00
Rev. & Mrs. G. W. Gulick.	5.00	Rev. S. O. Lawsing.....	6.00
Mrs. R. H. Kluver.....	10.00	Rev. Dr. H. D. B. Mulford.	25.00
Mr. J. T. Lansing.....	200.00	Miss Ruth E. Francisco...	12.50
Private Sam Kooistra	100.00	"Edgerton, Minn.".....	25.00
Mr. Harm Vander Woude..	10.00	Mr. Stephen De Jong.....	30.00
"A Friend, Cobleskill, N. Y."	50.00	"Kingston, N. Y.".....	25.00
Mr. L. Groenenga.....	2.00	Mrs. J. Sipma.....	10.00
"A tithing family at West- field"	25.00	Mrs. E. A. Dumont.....	100.00
"Friend of Missions".....	50.00	"Pella, Neb."	10.00
Employees, Standard Gro- cery Co.....	10.00	Dr. J. B. Beekman.....	25.00
Mrs. M. Raak,	200.00	"A Friend of Missions"...	50.00
Mrs. P. Schaap	100.00	Students, New Brunswick Seminary	85.65
Clara City, Iowa	10.00	Students, Western Theo. Seminary	73.25
Mr. J. D. Hoffman.....	1.00	Mrs. H. Kortmeier	15.00
"Friend, Newkirk, Ia."....	25.00	Mr. W. H. Meadowcroft...	2.50
"Friend, Hospers, Ia."....	50.00	"A Friend of Missions"...	34.00
		Mr. L. G. Vander Welde...	15.00
		Total	\$2,458.85

INDIVIDUAL AND UNCLASSIFIED CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE
CHURCH BUILDING FUND

Mrs. P. M. Doolittle.....	\$ 20.00	"A Friend," Albany, N. Y..	50.00
Rev. & Mrs. G. W. Gulick..	5.00	"Kingston, N. Y.".....	20.00
Mr. J. T. Lansing.....	100.00		
		Total	\$195.00

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE ONE DAY'S IN-COME FUND FOR DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN MISSIONS (1918-1919).

CLASSIS OF ALBANY

1st Albany	\$285.16
Madison Ave. Albany.....	340.00
5th Albany	101.32
6th Albany	80.54
Coeymans	53.50
New Baltimore	27.30
Castleton	4.50
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	\$892.32

CLASSIS OF BERGEN

Westwood	\$122.58
1st Hackensack	39.75
2nd Hackensack	258.36
Closter	35.75
No. Hackensack	160.00
Oradell	277.05
Hasbrouck Hts.	63.82
Harrington Pk.	100.90
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	\$1,058.21

CLASSIS OF SO. BERGEN

1st Jersey City.....	\$ 70.25
5th St. Bayonne.....	135.67
Lafayette Jersey City....	62.70
3rd Bayonne	5.00
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	\$273.62

CLASSIS OF CASCADES

Lynden	\$ 80.00
Monarch	15.00
Conrad	21.00
Oak Harbor	29.00
Spokane	13.00
Seattle	48.50
Big Timber	31.00
San Francisco	25.25
New Holland	20.00
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	\$282.75

CLASSIS OF CHICAGO

1st Chicago	\$ 103.00
W. Side Chicago	204.14
De Motte	422.05
Morrison, Ill. Ebenezer...	162.00
1st Englewood	79.35
2nd Englewood	214.60
1st Fulton	235.74
Indianapolis	50.00
Lafayette	108.50
Lansing	88.70
Mount Greenwood	215.20
Newton	62.50
1st Roseland	1,076.55
So. Holland	623.25
Ustick	43.00
Summit	92.65
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	\$3,781.23

CLASSIS OF DAKOTA

Chas. Mix	\$ 74.87
Corsica	77.32
Harrison	260.50
Lake View	29.00
Litchville	40.70
American Maurice	102.89
Sandham	178.50
No. Marion	237.00
Amer. Orange City	384.15
Tyndall	63.44
Westfield	321.90
Aurora	40.00
Wimbledon	8.67
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	\$1,818.04

CLASSIS OF GERMANIA

Chancellor	\$ 8.00
Baker	30.00
Cromwell Center	167.75
Davis	55.00
Dempster	15.00
George	83.85
Lennox	41.80
German Monroe	56.63

DOMESTIC MISSIONS

CLASSIS OF GERMANIA
(Continued)

Salem	62.25
Scotland	70.00
Sibley	104.84
White	15.00
Claremont	27.00

\$737.17

CLASSIS OF GRAND RIVER

Ada	\$ 15.03
Fremont	52.00
3rd Grand Rapids.....	184.09
4th Grand Rapids.....	198.70
5th Grand Rapids.....	665.55
9th Grand Rapids.....	166.00
Grandville	185.48
Grant	88.00
1st Kalamazoo	442.26
Moddersville	12.47
New Era	69.00
Portage	60.35
Lucas	17.03
Spring Lake	68.50
Twin Lakes	24.00

\$2,248.46

CLASSIS OF HOLLAND

1st Cleveland	\$ 34.85
Calvary Cleveland	485.43
Ebenezer Holland	156.24
Hamilton	138.67
1st Holland	506.75
3rd Holland	557.00
4th Holland	66.40
Hudsonville	15.00
1st Jamestown	189.49
No. Blendon	35.50
No. Holland	102.50
Ottawa	28.07
Overisel	336.53
So. Blendon	36.35
Three Oaks	54.35
Vriesland	161.60
1st Zeeland	337.60
2nd Zeeland	349.60

\$3,591.84

CLASSIS OF GREENE

Catskill	\$155.76
Athens	39.60
1st Coxsackie	50.75
2nd Coxsackie	60.00

CLASSIS OF GREENE
(Continued)

Kiskatom	10.00
Leeds	19.00

\$335.11

CLASSIS OF HUDSON

Claverack	\$ 73.43
Germantown	17.56
Hudson	172.94
Linlithgo	81.17
Livingston Mem'l	19.00
Mellenville	8.36

\$372.46

CLASSIS OF KINGSTON

Bloomington	\$ 21.53
High Falls	7.00
Hurley	53.10
Fair St. Kingston	113.30
Lyonsville	23.50
Marbletown	16.36
No. Marbletown	24.00
Rosendale (S. S.)	3.50
Krumville	23.00

\$285.29

CLASSIS OF NO. L. ISLAND

Flushing	\$ 47.00
S. Bushwick	24.98
2nd Astoria	1.00
College Point	116.60
New Hyde Pk.	23.27

\$212.85

CLASSIS OF SO. L. ISLAND

1st Brooklyn	\$ 50.00
Canarsie	56.21
Ocean Hill	13.00

\$119.21

CLASSIS OF MONMOUTH

Holmdel	\$60.34
Keyport	20.95
Asbury Park	15.25

\$96.54

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY

1st Amsterdam	\$ 95.00
Trinity Amsterdam	38.31
Fonda	50.00
Fort Plain	10.00
Fultonville	40.40
Hageman	128.00
Interlaken	45.50
Johnstown	30.54
Lodi	30.00
St. Johnsville	40.00
1st Syracuse	183.75
Utica	115.05
Sammons ville	13.30
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	\$819.85

CLASSIS OF NEWARK

Belleville	\$ 78.10
Franklin	15.35
Clinton Ave. Newark	83.85
Trinity Plainfield	140.00
Montclair	30.00
Hyde Park	14.50
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	\$361.80

CLASSIS OF NEW BRUNSWICK

1st New Brunswick	\$ 68.30
2nd New Brunswick	107.00
Suydam St. N. Brunswick.	22.25
Six-Mile Run	14.35
Middlebush	34.90
Griggstown	17.55
East Millstone	43.00
Metuchen	183.36
Rocky Hill	23.60
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	\$512.81

CLASSIS OF NEW YORK

Collegiate	\$ 298.85
Knox Mem'l	101.27
Vermilye	163.00
Harlem	42.23
Fordham	21.00
Brighton Hts.	124.99
West Farms	4.00
Union	23.30
Anderson Mem'l	25.50
Comforter	26.00
Bethany	61.15
West End	592.00
Hamilton	46.47
Colony	42.08
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	\$1,571.84

CLASSIS OF ORANGE

Deer Park	\$332.34
Ellenville	58.40
Montgomery	31.00
Wallkill	25.50
Walpack Lower	20.66
West End	17.00
N. Prospect	162.25
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	\$647.15

CLASSIS OF PALISADES

New Durham	\$ 482.83
No. Bergen	318.00
Central Ave. Jersey City..	158.85
1st West Hoboken.....	244.66
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	\$1,204.34

CLASSIS OF PARAMUS

Acquackanonk	\$ 502.96
Athenia	64.85
Clarkstown	5.00
Clifton	91.79
No. Patterson	28.65
No. Passaic	171.17
Broadway Paterson	20.00
Covenant Paterson	30.00
1st Paterson	107.50
2nd Paterson	53.26
Ramapo	80.23
Ridgewood	350.00
Upper Ridgewood	18.00
Warwick	309.05
Trinity Wortendyke	6.05
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	\$1,838.55

CLASSIS OF PASSAIC

1st Little Falls	\$ 50.35
People's Park	272.76
Pompton Plains	55.00
Preakness	8.40
Wanaque	20.00
Wyckoff	17.00
Pompton Lakes	54.00
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	\$477.51

CLASSIS OF PHILADELPHIA

Harlingen	\$142.72
Neshanic	43.61
1st Philadelphia	174.12
Blawenburg	56.86
Clover Hill	25.00

DOMESTIC MISSIONS

CLASSIS OF PHILADELPHIA
(Continued)

5th Philadelphia	28.00
Addisville	42.00
Three Bridges	24.77
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	\$537.08

CLASSIS OF ILLINOIS

Spring Lake	\$3.30
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CLASSIS OF MICHIGAN

Bethany Grand Rapids....	\$ 106.50
Bethel Grand Rapids.....	77.96
Calvary Grand Rapids....	50.15
Grace Grand Rapids.....	173.52
Central Grand Rapids.....	1,951.75
2nd Grand Haven.....	182.00
Imm'l Grand Rapids	212.61
2nd Kalamazoo	178.50
2nd Muskegon	36.00
North Park	175.00
Trinity Holland	33.25
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	\$3,177.24

CLASSIS OF PELLA

Oskaloosa	\$ 48.00
Eddyville	40.00
Killduff	38.85
New Sharon	99.00
Otley	264.15
1st Pella	404.10
2nd Pella	243.82
Sully	49.50
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	\$1,187.42

..CLASSIS OF POUGHKEEPSIE..

Poughkeepsie	\$ 75.00
Fishkill	10.00
Hopewell	17.95
New Hackensack	10.25
Rhinebeck	38.00
Beacon	91.63
Hyde Park	14.90
Millbrook	107.90
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	\$363.83

CLASSIS OF RARITAN

Readington	\$27.90
Bedminster	64.29
Lebanon35
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	\$92.45

CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER

Bloomington	\$ 35.00
Castleton	85.37
2nd Ghent	18.05
Greenbush	52.00
Kinderhook	83.41
Nassau	16.70
Schodack	16.99
Stuyvesant Falls	4.05
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	\$310.58

CLASSIS OF PL. PRAIRIE

Alexander	\$ 14.66
Aplington	247.00
Baileyville	39.20
Bristow	57.50
Buffalo Center	50.09
Dumont	68.00
Elim	5.00
Fairview	10.72
Immanuel	170.00
Meservey	122.06
Peoria	78.17
Washington	87.90
Wellsburg	178.09
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	\$1,127.31

CLASSIS OF E. SIOUX

Alton	\$ 390.93
Bigelow	20.00
Boyden	488.39
Free Grace	663.50
Holland	692.40
Hospers	324.00
Lester	96.15
Matlock	38.22
Melvin	22.00
1st Orange City	1,115.43
Pella	240.00
Prairie View	169.55
Rock Rapids	20.05
Sheldon	21.00
Newkirk	658.50
Firth	15.90
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	\$4,975.12

CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER

Abbe	\$373.17
Arcadia	59.00
1st Marion (Ch. & S. S.)..	28.94
2nd Marion	62.07

CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER (Continued)

Palmyra	46.03
1st Rochester	137.31
2nd Rochester	40.00
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	\$746.52

CLASSIS OF SARATOGA

Boght	\$ 27.50
Cohoes	116.00
Fort Miller	33.00
Greenwich	93.55
Saratoga	30.00
West Troy No.....	39.25
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	\$339.30

CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY

Altamont	\$ 87.40
Helderburg	100.00
Niskayuna	22.90
Mt. Pleasant Schenectady..	130.00
Bellevue	57.92
Scotia	6.00
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	\$403.32

CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE

2nd Howes Cave	\$ 21.18
Lawyersville	105.64
Middleburg	83.27
Sharon Center	28.50
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	\$238.59

CLASSIS OF W. SIOUX

Chandler	\$ 25.00
Doon	75.00
Edgerton	137.90
Hull	529.95
1st Maurice	364.00
Rock Valley	277.71
Silver Creek	215.00
Central Sioux Center	25.00
1st Sioux Center	1,010.42

CLASSIS OF W. SIOUX (Continued)

Steen	194.25
Twin Brooks	22.14
Valley Springs	44.30
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	\$2,920.67

CLASSIS OF WISCONSIN

Alto	\$ 511.96
Baldwin	312.75
Cedar Grove	200.00
Greenleafston	261.39
Hingham	210.70
Oostburg	264.90
Waupun	330.45
Vesper	11.72
Gibbsville	362.00
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	\$2,465.87

CLASSIS OF ULSTER

Comforter Kingston	\$ 46.00
Flatbush	15.00
High Woods	9.30
Port Ewen	105.46
Saugerties	200.00
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	\$375.76

CLASSIS OF WESTCHESTER

Cortlandtown	\$ 1.00
Park Hill	102.00
1st Tarrytown	388.97
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	\$491.97

SUMMARY

Total Contributions:	
From Churches	\$43,291.99
From Individuals & Un-	
classified	1,136.71
Interest on Bank Balances.	50.14
Balance May, 1918.....	109.07
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Total	\$44,587.91

The Eighty-seventh Annual Report
of the
Board of Education
of the Reformed Church in America
Presented to the
GENERAL SYNOD
at
ASBURY PARK, N. J., JUNE, 1919

THE BOARD.

During the year we have been called to part with four of our active members. Before the last annual report was in print, Frederic R. Hutton, M. E., Sc.D., was suddenly taken from his earthly labors to his heavenly reward. Dr. Hutton became a member of the Board in the year 1911, and a member of its Executive Committee in 1913. His honored father, the Rev. Mancius S. Hutton, D. D., had served the Board of Education 13 years as its Corresponding Secretary and 22 years thereafter as President.

Professor Hutton's rich experience in educational matters and his masterly grasp of all questions affecting the policy and work of the Reformed Church in America brought into strong relief for the Board of Education, as well as for the entire denomination, the extent and the high order of the varied services which he so freely rendered.

The Rev. Theodore W. Welles, D. D., after serving the Board as a member since 1880, finding it impossible, on account of advancing years to attend its meetings, in recognition of his long and valued service, was made an Honorary Life Member.

The Rev. Ame Vennema, D. D., became a member of the Board in 1892, a position which he filled with great acceptance, his office as President of Hope College bringing him into intimate touch with the larger number of our future ministers and other Christian leaders. Upon his resignation as President of the College, he was elected a member of the Board of Foreign Missions, and as his term as a member of the Board of Education expired at the same time, it was filled by a new member.

Louis V. Waldron, M. D., another of our especially valued members, since 1906, and also serving on the Finance Committee, recently felt obliged, on account of increasing professional duties, to tender his resignation as a member of the Board of Education. This was accepted with deep regret, and with unqualified appreciation of Dr. Waldron's experienced counsels and devotion to the interests of the Board.

We have welcomed as new members, the Rev. James F. Zwemer, D. D., President of the Faculty of the Western Theological Seminary; Mr. Edward D. Dimment, M. A., President of Hope College; and the Rev. Milton J. Hoffman, D. D., President of Central College. A successor to Dr. Waldron has not yet been elected.

STUDENTS.

Our reported enrollment last year was 68, the total being the same this year. Twenty-two new applicants have been received, six of our students have been graduated from the New Brunswick Seminary, six from the Western Seminary, and one from the Italian Theological School in Brooklyn, N. Y. Ten have been granted leave of absence; one to teach for a year, and nine for war service. Three have been taken from the roll; one discontinuing his studies for a time on account of financial needs, and two having married, and according to the Synod's rule, ceasing thereafter to receive appropriation from the Scholarship Funds. These young men, however, have been able to go forward with their seminary studies.

Sixty-five of our students are in preparation for the Gospel ministry and three for Medical Missionary service. We are very thankful to be able to report that, although 30 have been called to serve under their country's flag, 25 of whom have not yet reported as resuming their school work, and though severe sicknesses have been abroad over the world during the past year, no case of the death of any of our students has been reported. May it prove true of every one of them that he has been "Saved to serve."

The total number and distribution of students receiving aid from the Board, May 1, 1919, were as follows:

STUDENTS FOR THE MINISTRY.

In Seminaries:

New Brunswick, N. J.....	13
Holland, Mich.	17
	—30

In Colleges:

Hope College	16
Rutgers College	12
Central College	5
Mission House College	1
Rutgers College Preparatory School.....	1
	—35

MEDICAL MISSIONARY STUDENTS.

In Michigan University	2
Cincinnati Medical College	1
	— 3
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	68

The following is the distribution according to classes:

EDUCATION.

SEMINARIES.

Students for the ministry:

Seniors	9
Middlers	9
Juniors	12
	—30

COLLEGES.

Students for the Ministry:

Seniors	6
Juniors	8
Sophomores	7
Freshmen	10
Specials	4
	—35

MEDICAL MISSIONARY STUDENTS.

Class of 1920	1
1921	1
1924	1
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	68

There were 10 students in attendance at the New Brunswick Seminary and 9 in the Western Seminary not receiving assistance from the Board of Education.

FIVE YEAR PROGRESS CAMPAIGN.

The first point of the Reformed Church Five Year Progress Campaign, the doubling of the Church's membership, makes the second point an axiom,—at least the doubling of the Church's leadership, especially if it be granted that its present force is barely adequate to its needs.

A glance at the situation for the past decade shows that during this period 211 students for the ministry were received under the care of the Board of Education. As this Board enrolls an average of 80 per cent. of the graduates of our seminaries, the number of students for the ministry of our Reformed Church, preparing in our own institutions during the past ten years, may be put at about 260, an average of 26 a year. But not all who begin to study for the ministry reach the goal. The number of students taken from the roll of the Board during the years 1909-18 was 47, or 22 per cent. of the total received. This would reduce the average number of students actually entering the ministry to about 21 a year. As the deaths of 170 of our Reformed Church ministers have been reported for the past decade, while our seminaries have recorded 173 graduates, it is clear that the growth of this part of our organism since the opening of the century has been hardly perceptible.

The growth, however, has been very uneven. The Churches in the Particular Synod of Chicago, together with the Holland-speaking Churches of Paterson and Passaic, report an enrollment of 30 per cent. of the Catechumens and Bible School scholars of the denomination; but these churches provide 70 per cent. of the students for the ministry. The actual need of Reformed Church ministers and other Christian leaders, in the next five years, in view of the attempted doubling of the membership, of the present meager supply, and of the call of our Board of Foreign Missions for at least 12 new missionaries for each of the next five years, would point to 50 recruits a year for the ministry, or 250 for the five-year period.

The corresponding obligation of the Church in assisting this increased number of students for the ministry and strengthening her educational institutions, would involve a budget of \$30,000.00 a year, or \$150,000.00 for the five-year period.

This doubling of the Church's leadership and of the necessary contributions can be effected only as every individual

congregation faithfully endeavors to secure at least one candidate for the ministry.

EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE.

Pursuant to an order of the Board at its meeting of Dec. 17, 1918, an Educational Conference was held, March 11, 1919, in the Knox Memorial Church, of New York City, the pastor, Rev. Edward G. W. Meury, D. D., having invited the members to be his guests.

The Conference was constituted of representatives of the Board of Education and of each one of the Reformed Church Theological Seminaries and Colleges, consisting of the following twelve members: The Rev. Elias W. Thompson, D. D., President of the Board of Education; the Rev. John G. Gebhard, D. D., Cor. Sec. of the Board; the Rev. Albertus T. Broek, Recording Secretary; the Rev. Edward G. W. Meury, D. D.; Mr. Henry P. Schneeweiss, Treasurer of Rutgers College; the Rev. John W. Beardslee, D. D., Emeritus Professor of Old Testament Languages and Literature in the Western Seminary; the Rev. J. Preston Searle, D. D., President of the Faculty of the New Brunswick Seminary; the Rev. John E. Kuizenga, D. D., Secretary of the Faculty in the Western Seminary; the Rev. William H. S. Demarest, D. D., President of Rutgers College; Mr. Edward D. Dimnent, President of Hope College; and the Rev. Milton J. Hoffman, D. D., President of Central College.

The subjects presented were, "The Scope of the Work of the Board of Education," by Dr. Thompson; "The Curriculum for Students Preparing to Enter the Theological Seminaries," by Dr. Raven; "Securing Students for the Ministry," by Dr. Kuizenga; and "Aid for Students in Preparation for the Ministry and Medical Missions," by President Dimnent.

The papers read and the discussions which followed brought into relief three general needs in order that the Reformed Church might more effectively meet the Christian educational requirements of the present day in the prepara-

tion of properly qualified ministers and other Christian leaders.

First. The inadequacy of the description of the particular business and objects of the Board of Education, as indicated in its Articles of Incorporation, was made plain. The wording of this part of the Charter follows closely the enabling clause of the Constitution of the Board, which states that, "The particular business of this Board shall be the promotion of the growth of the Reformed Church in America by educating young men for the Ministry of the Gospel and by extending aid to Theological and Collegiate Institutions and Religious Schools under the care and founded according to the order of said Church."

Second. The lack of concerted planning and co-ordinated effort on the part of the Board of Education and our Educational Institutions, especially in their common interest of securing students for the ministry and other forms of Christian leadership, was strongly emphasized.

Third. The need of maintaining a high standard of Educational Preparation for all forms of Christian leadership and of extending financial assistance only to students who proved to be possessed of the gifts and grace necessary for acceptable Christian leaders.

Each paper read at the Conference closed with resolutions which the writer felt were fairly called forth by his discussion of the subject. These resolutions were referred to a special committee, which reported to the Board of Education. The recommendations of this committee were considered by the Board, amended and adopted, and ordered to be incorporated in the Board's Annual Report to the General Synod. They are as follows:

"Whereas, The wording of the Charter of the Board of Education defines its scope and work as consisting in 'The promotion and growth of the Reformed Church in America by educating young men for the Ministry of the Gospel and by extending aid to Theological and Collegiate Institutions

and Religious Schools under the care and founded according to the order of said Church,' and

"Whereas, The educational interests of the Church have become largely diversified since the granting of the Board's Charter in 1869, and,

"Whereas, The Board of Education is the General Synod's agency having charge of all educational interests of the denomination, excepting such as have been specifically delegated to other bodies, as, for example, the Board of Publication and Bible School Work, and the Boards of Superintendents of the Theological Seminaries,

"Therefore, Resolved, That this Board recommends to the General Synod the extension of the third paragraph of the Board's Charter so that it shall read, 'The particular business and objects of such Society shall be the promotion of the growth of said church by securing and educating young men for the Ministry of the Gospel, by extending aid to Theological and Collegiate Institutions and religious schools under the care and founded according to the order of said church, by assisting young men and women for medical missionary service and by providing for others forms of Christian leadership under the supervision of the General Synod of said church.' "

"Resolved, That the following services be and are hereby recognized as coming within the scope of the work of the Board of Education:

"1. Aiding students for the Ministry while in preparation.

"2. Aiding Medical Missionary students in preparation.

"3. Recruiting, which searches for and discovers candidates for the ministry, and for such other forms of Christian leadership, as may be approved by the Board of Education or the General Synod.

"4. Assisting Schools and Colleges in such work as may be in line with the educational ideals of the Church.

"5. Power of initiative in all lines of work suggested by the Synod."

With regard to the Curriculum for students preparing to

enter Theological Seminaries, we recommend the following resolutions:

"1. That all students in College, under the care of the Board of Education, be required to take the full Classical Course, including Greek, Latin, English, History and Philosophy, unless permission has been secured from the Board to omit any of these subjects.

"2. That no student under the care of the Board of Education shall be permitted to attend a College in which the instruction in Philosophy and English Bible or any other subject is calculated to undermine his faith in the Scriptures and in the truths they present."

On the subject of Recruiting Students for the Ministry and other forms of Christian Leadership, we recommend that the following resolutions be transmitted to the General Synod, as expressing the views of this Board on the subject:

"1. That the responsibility of recruiting for the Ministry and other forms of Christian Leadership should be put on every member of the Church, especially on parents, Bible-school teachers, ministers, college and seminary professors.

"2. That individual churches and communities should feel called upon to recruit as far as they can, and to make much of those who are in preparation.

"3. That the Church should achieve more fully the New Testament view of the great significance of the Church and of its mighty world task, both evangelistic and community.

"4. That the Seminaries and Colleges should recruit according to their opportunity and should cooperate to form Seminary preparatory courses.

"5. That the enterprise of recruiting should become more the continuous, co-ordinated task of the whole Church.

"6. That the Board of Education and the Faculties of the Theological Seminaries, in conjunction with other agencies, should aim at recruiting work among students before they enter College, and should assume responsibility for co-ordination, inspiration and persistence in this work; that recruit-

ing should be done by sending individual ministers into the schools, by delegations or teams, and by publication of material stating the claims of the Ministry, with its heroic achievement."

As respects The amount and Basis of Scholarship Aid for Students in preparation for the Ministry and for Medical Missions, we recommend the following resolutions:

"1. That Consistories and Classes exercise great care in recommending students for aid and in renewing such recommendations for year to year, paying particular attention to the ability of the student to secure means for his support apart from those furnished by the Board of Education.

"2. That College Faculties, in submitting their Faculty Reports to the Board of Education, be requested to note with special care both the academic and moral rating of each student receiving aid from the Board, and that the continuance of such aid be determined by the satisfactory character of these reports."

CENTRAL COLLEGE.

The Annual Report of Central College has been placed in the hands of the Board's Committee on Central College, and with a slight change has been approved by the committee, which recommends that it be referred to the General Synod's Standing Committee on Education. The Board wishes herewith to express its appreciation of the excellent work done by the institution during the trying days of the last year of the great War.

THE SURVEY.

The Committee appointed for this purpose has carried on the investigations during the year, as directed by the General Synod of 1917 and 1918. The survey covers the operations of the Board of Education since its inception, together with those of related educational institutions, and the history

policy, and scope of the educational experience of the denomination. It also contains a bibliography which shows sources of information that will be available and useful in future investigation. It presents the relations which the separate and individual schools hold to local standards and requirements as indicated by their charters and the educational standards of their respective communities. And it has an appendix, a statistical table which will show the sources of support of the entire work of the Board of Education and the contributions that have been made by the churches during the twenty years between 1900 and 1919. The Educational Conference, referred to elsewhere in this report, is a direct result of the conditions revealed by the Survey. The stenographer's notes of that Conference are preserved in full and will constitute a part of the full report which will be filed for future reference in the office of the Board. The Survey reveals furthermore, the need of co-ordination of our own schools, the necessity of proper equipment in apparatus and teaching forces, and the urgent demand for consecrated men and women who shall be teachers and preachers. Conditions call for the intensive cultivation of the field we already occupy. If the harvest is to be what we expect, the laborers must be sent, and this will require increased resources, both material and spiritual. The material now in hand will furnish a nucleus for future investigation, and will aid the Board in maintaining its own standards and leading the Church toward the educational ideals of the Kingdom.

THE COUNCIL OF CHURCH BOARDS OF EDUCATION.

This Council has been requested by the Interchurch World Movement to assume entire charge of the Educational Department of the Movement. Robert L. Kelly, LL. D., Secretary of the Council of Church Boards of Education, has declined the offer of the presidency of Marietta College, in order to carry on the new work that is opening before the Council through the Inter-Church Movement.

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Definite information as to the plans of operation has not yet been given to our Board, and we await the action of the General Synod on the subject.

FINANCIAL.

Offerings received during the year amounted to *\$14,368.44, of which sum \$9,982.43 were contributed for the several accounts of the Contingent Fund, and \$4,386.01 were added to the Permanent Fund Scholarships. Four thousand dollars of the latter amount were given by Mrs. Elizabeth D. Leonard of Syracuse, N. Y., and by her daughter, Miss Anna E. Leonard, to constitute the Rev. Garret Mandeville Scholarship. In the opening years of the last century, the Rev. Mr. Mandeville, grandfather of Mrs. Leonard, was one of the pastors of the Dutch Reformed Church. The act of these elect ladies, in establishing this memorial of his saintly life is a precious fulfillment of the truth of the words of Holy Writ concerning good men, "Their works do follow them."

The Rev. John Nicholas Meury Fund has been increased by the addition of \$386.01 in gifts and of \$190.63 in accumulated interest, making its present amount \$1,940.95. The Board heartily recommends this example of one of its valued members, in building up during his life-time, a lasting memorial of the consecrated life and labors of his sainted father, in the form of a "Progressive Scholarship."

Two hundred dollars were received from "A Friend," a lay member of the Board, for the Medical Missionary Students' Fund, a substantial token of his unfailing interest.

The offerings came from 435 Churches, 29 Bible-schools, 7 Young Peoples' Societies, 2 Missionary Societies, 1 Men's

*Note.—In addition to the amounts received by the Board from churches in the Particular Synod of Chicago, contributions have been made during the year, principally by these churches, of \$1,434.13 for the Classical Board of Benevolence, which assists students in Hope College; \$1,062.06 for the Classical Board of Education of the Northwest, which aids students in the Northwestern Classical Academy; and \$447.20 for the Classical Board of Benevolence of the Pleasant Prairie and Germania Classes, assisting students in Pleasant Prairie Academy; the total being \$2,943.39.

Bible Class, and 21 individuals. Repayments from former students amounted to \$2,642.86.

The total amount paid to students during the year was \$11,676.45. The appropriations recommended by the General Synod for our Academies, Colleges and Seminaries, have been paid in full, amounting to \$11,900.00. An additional appropriation of \$1,000.00 was paid to the Western Seminary, for the Salary Fund, and a special appropriation of \$1,250.00 was made for the year to the Seminary students in New Brunswick, N. J., and Holland, Mich., on account of increased expenses growing out of war prices.

The ability of the Board to meet the various calls upon its treasury during the past three years has been due in no small measure to the co-operation of the Trustees of Rutgers College, who hold certain Scholarships, to be used for the assistance of students for the Ministry, under the care of the Board of Education and studying in the College. During the past year the College has met the appropriations, fees and room-rents of these students to the amount of \$2,867.50, thus enabling the Board to increase its appropriations to the Colleges and Seminaries, as well as to afford extra assistance, in time of special need, to students. The Board wishes herewith to record its sincere appreciation of this favor and its thanks to the Trustees of Rutgers College for their kindness.

Following the practice of the Board for a long term of years, a practice which has been in abeyance since the opening of the century, a Security Fund of Ten Thousand Dollars has been constituted from accumulated income, invested chiefly in approved Railroad Bonds.

The Treasurer wishes, on behalf of the Board, to extend most cordial thanks to all who have co-operated by their gifts toward the success of the year. A detailed statement of receipts and disbursements may be found in his report, which is appended, and which forms a part of the Board's Annual Report to the General Synod.

NOMINATIONS.

With this meeting of the Synod, the terms of office of the following members will expire, and their places are to be filled:

Rev. John H. Raven, D. D., Mr. Edward D. Dimment,
“ J. F. Zwemer, D.D., L. V. Waldron, M.D., (Res.)
“ E. G. W. Meury, D. D., Mr. James L. Griggs.
“ Theodore F. Bayles, “ Henry P. Schneeweiss.

CONCLUSION.

The views of the Board as to the educational work before the Church in the near future, having been so fully outlined under the discussions on the Progress Campaign, the Educational Conference and the Educational Survey, it only remains for us to bespeak the warmest and most prayerful interest of the whole Church in all her students for the Ministry and for Medical Missions, and especially in those who have had to leave their school work for war service. That Jesus Christ is the Prince of Peace, and that the leadership of Christ-taught and Christ-filled men and women is the world's one and only hope, has been written large in our day upon the international skies.

The dedication of young men to their Country's cause has doubtless been the greatest contribution made in the recent world-conflict. The dedication of our sons and daughters to the distinctive service of the King of Kings and the Prince of Peace, is the greatest step of the many great steps before the Church today.

With profound thanks to God for the countless mercies and blessings of the year, and with grateful recognition of each and every gift and service of the friends of the Board of Education, this report is respectfully submitted.

JOHN G. GEBHARD,
Corresponding Secretary.

Approved by the Board, May 13, 1919.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

PERMANENT FUND

MAY 1, 1919.

The several scholarships composing this Fund are all invested in bonds secured by first mortgages on improved real estate in New York City and vicinity.

The Permanent Fund has been raised by the following donations:

GENERAL SCHOLARSHIPS.

For students preparing for the ministry of the Reformed Church, no institution specified.

1865	Charles Dusenbury	\$2,500 00
1872	Garret Kowenhoven	3,000 00
1872	Miss Mary Le Conte	3,000 00
1873	James Peters	3,325 00
1875	John V. L. Van Doren	5,833 00
1876	Miss Margaret E. Duryea	5,000 00
1878	Miss Mary D. Schaffer	3,000 00
1878	Miss Mary M. Danser	3,000 00
1879	Rev. A. T. Stewart	3,000 00
1880	Rev. Joseph Scudder	1,000 00
1889	The Mrs. Cornelia A. and Miss Lidde R. Statesir Scholarship	3,000 00
1890-2	"Berean" Scholarship	2,000 00
1891	Daniel P. Conover Scholarship	3,000 00
1892	Isaac E. Bergen	2,000 00
1892	Thomas Jessup	2,500 00
1894	Sarah Platt Remsen Scholarship.....	3,000 00
1894	Phoebe A. Remsen Scholarship	3,000 00
1895	Asher Riley Scholarship	3,000 00
1895	Frederick Cook Scholarship	3,000 00
1901	Cornelius S. Nevius	1,483 49
1902	"Berachah" Scholarship	1,602 73
1903	Rev. Hasbrouck DuBois	950 00
1903	John I. Lake Memorial Fund	3,000 00
1904	Sarah A. Broadhead Fund	158 33
1909	B. A. Bergen Memorial	2,000 00
1910	John Gosman Scholarship	2,000 00
1913	Rev. Andrew J. Hageman, Scholarship..	3,000 00
1915	Rev. John Nicholas Meury Fund	1,940 95
1915	Abbie J. Bell Fund	110 00
1919	R. Dwight Clark	1,000 00
		<hr/> \$74,403 50

FOR STUDENTS IN NEW BRUNSWICK THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

1877	Jeremiah Fuller	\$3,007 50
1899	A. F. Hazen Bequest	2,116 03
1904	Alida Van Schaick Scholarship	12,500 00
1919	Rev. Garret Mandeville Scholarship ...	4,000 00
		<hr/> \$21,623 53

FOR STUDENTS PREPARING FOR THE MINISTRY IN RUTGERS
COLLEGE AND NEW BRUNSWICK THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

1883	Brush Fund	\$3,000 00	
1900	John and Mary Martin Neefus Educa- tional Fund	17,000 00	
1906	Peter Bogart Scholarship	3,500 00	
1906	Albert H. Randall	500 00	
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FOR STUDENTS PREPARING FOR THE MINISTRY IN THE WEST-
ERN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

1904	Alida Van Schaick Fund	12,000 00
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FOR STUDENTS PREPARING FOR THE MINISTRY IN HOPE
COLLEGE AND WESTERN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

1891	Rev. William Brush Fund	\$2,000 00	
1913	Peter I. and Mary Van Kleeck Neefus Fund	30,051 57	
		<hr/>	32,051 57

FOR STUDENTS PREPARING FOR THE MINISTRY IN HOPE COL-
LEGE.

1884	Kesiah Lansing Fund	2,000 00
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FOR THE GENERAL PURPOSES OF THE BOARD.

1914	Peter J. and Jane Merselis Fund	32,977 11
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FOR THE BENEFIT OF HOPE COLLEGE.

1885	Johnson Letson Fund	\$1,000 00	
1892	Thomas Jessup Fund	2,500 00	
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FOR THE BENEFIT OF NORTHWESTERN CLASSICAL ACADEMY.

1892	Thomas Jessup Fund	2,500 00	
		<hr/>	\$205,055 71

Amount of Scholarships on hand May 1, 1918.....	\$199,479 07	
Received Offerings for Rev. John N. Meury Fund.....	386 01	
Interest of same added to Principal.....	190 63	
Rev. Garret Mandeville Scholarship.....	4,000 00	
R. Dwight Clark Bequest	1,000 00	
Invested on Bond and Mortgage.....	\$202,150 00	
On Deposit in Lawyers Title and Trust Co., Brooklyn	2,905 71	
	<hr/>	\$205,055 71
		\$205,055 71

CONTINGENT FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand, May 1, 1918	\$11,639 33
Offerings—	
For Education Fund	\$9,271 00
Medical Miss'y. Students	276 00
Hope College	328 48
Central College	101 95
Wisconsin Academy	5 00
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	9,982 43
Interest from Investments—	
For General Scholarship Fund, including \$5.50 interest from Abbie J. Bell Fund, as from Reformed Church of Chat- ham, N. Y.	\$4,800 08
Neefus Fund, Eastern	850 00
Neefus Fund, Western	1,490 96
Van Schaick Fund	605 00
Van Schaick Scholarship	625 00
Merselis Fund	1,679 06
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	10,050 10
Interest from Board of Direction—	
For Antonides Fund	\$4,456 04
General Scholarship Fund	7,428 44
Parochial School Fund	528 03
New Brunswick Seminary Students.....	459 08
Peter Wyckoff Fund	2,391 67
Jansen Scholarship, N. B. Sem.....	215 25
Jansen Scholarship, Western Sem.....	215 25
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	15,693 76
Interest on daily balances	349 61
Certificate of Deposit	829 76
Liberty Bonds	157 54
War Saving Stamps	1 20
Railroad Bonds	60 00
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	1,398 11
Repayments from Students	2,642 86
Checks returned unused	30 00
Certificate of Deposit cashed	6,000 00
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	\$57,436 59

DISBURSEMENTS.

New Brunswick Seminary	\$500 00
Western Seminary	1,500 00
Hope College—	
Appropriation recommended by Synod....	\$4,000 00
Interest, Jessup Fund	103 52
Interest, Letson Fund	41 41
Offerings	328 48
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	4,473 41

Central College—		
Appropriation recommended by Synod.....	\$3,500 00	
Offerings	101 95	
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Northwestern Academy—		
Appropriation	\$1,200 00	
Interest, Jessup Fund	103 52	
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Pleasant Prairie Academy, appropriation		1,200 00
Wisconsin Academy, appropriation.....	\$1,500 00	
Offering	5 00	
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Students, Appropriations, Room-rents and fees, General Scholarship Fund—		
New Brunswick Seminary	\$510 00	
Hope College	1,187 18	
Rutgers Preparatory School	290 76	
Mission House College	112 50	
Italian Dept., Colgate Sem.....	62 57	
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Antonides Fund—		
Western Seminary	\$1,240 00	
Central College	808 50	
Hope College	560 00	
Mission House College	37 50	
Italian Dept., Colgate Seminary.....	41 66	
Rutgers Preparatory School	30 00	
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Special Funds—		
Neefus Fund Eastern	\$590 00	
Medical Students	360 00	
Merselis Fund	240 00	
Neefus Fund Western	2,410 78	
New Brunswick Seminary Students.....	195 00	
Students Special Fund	40 00	
Students Emergency Fund	100 00	
Van Schaick Fund	650 00	
Van Schaick Schp. Fund	480 00	
Wyckoff Fund	1,330 00	
Jansen Schp. Western Sem.	200 00	
Jansen Schp. New Brunswick Sem.....	200 00	
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Liberty Bonds	\$6,150 00	
Railroad Bonds for Security Fund	9,695 00	
Accrued interest on same	99 50	
Commission	13 75	
Accrued interest on Rev. John N. Meury Fund, added to principal		190 63
Paid Students Emergency Fund on account of student's note		125 00

Rent of Office	647 98
Salaries and office help	4,570 00
Council of Church Boards of Education.....	300 00
Progress Campaign	100 00
Legal expenses	54 10
Traveling	905 61
Printing, including advertising in Church papers.....	472 80
Postage	109 15
Telephone	30 73
Mission Field	307 25
Premiums on Fidelity Bonds	25 60
Rent of safe deposit box	20 00
Exchange on checks	6 02
Sundry office supplies	45 16
On hand, May 1, 1919—	
In Bank of Manhattan Co.	\$7,442 45
Union Square Savings Bank	366 13
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	7,808 58
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	\$57,436 59

BALANCES.

Of the several accounts of the Contingent Fund—	
Antonides Fund	\$2,857 10
Education	967 63
General Investment	3,480 98
Neefus Fund Eastern	395 82
Medical Students	332 73
Merselis Fund	1,593 35
Neefus Fund Western	72 23
New Brunswick Seminary Students	232 08
Parochial School Fund	39 86
Students' Emergency Fund	366 13
Students' Special Fund	61 00
Van Schaick Fund	179 81
Van Schaick Scholarship	313 70
Peter Wyckoff Fund	3,163 08
Jansen Scholarship, New Brunswick Seminary.....	272 19
Jansen Scholarship, Western Seminary	287 19
Security Fund	10,000 00
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	\$24,614 88
In Bank of Manhattan Co., N. Y. City.....	\$7,442 45
Union Square Savings Bank, N. Y. City.....	366 13
Liberty Bonds	7,111 30
Railroad Bonds	9,695 00
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	\$24,614 88

"We certify that we have examined the Permanent Fund Securities of the Board of Education of the Reformed Church in America, and find the sum to amount to Two Hundred and Five Thousand

and Fifty-five Dollars and Seventy-one Cents, (\$205,055.71), and that we have compared the receipts and vouchers of the several Funds, and find them correct as they appear upon the books."

JOHN E. ACKERMAN,
JOHN H. RAVEN,
Auditing Committee.

New York City, May 9, 1919.

NOTE.—The balances may be used only for the following purposes, viz.:

General Scholarship Fund, for students preparing for the ministry of the Reformed Church in college, (no special college mentioned), or in one of the theological seminaries of our Church.

Antonides Fund, for same uses as General Scholarship Fund, but the Antonides account must be kept separate.

Neefus Fund, Eastern, for students preparing for the ministry of the Reformed Church in Rutgers College and New Brunswick Seminary.

Neefus Fund, Western, for students preparing for the ministry of the Reformed Church in Hope College and the Western Seminary.

Van Schaick Scholarship, for students preparing for the ministry of the Reformed Church in New Brunswick Seminary.

Van Schaick Fund, for students preparing for the ministry of the Reformed Church in Western Seminary.

Parochial School Fund, for aiding parochial schools and classical academies.

Merselis Fund, for the general purposes of the Board.

Students' Emergency Fund, for especially designated students or for students in cases of exceptional need.

Medical Students' Fund, for students preparing for medical missionary service under commission of the Board of Foreign Missions of our Reformed Church.

Education Fund, for any of the corporate purposes of the Board of Education, namely, for "educating young men for the ministry of the gospel and extending aid to the theological and collegiate institutions and religious schools under the care and founded according to the order of the Reformed Church in America."

Peter Wyckoff Fund, for New Brunswick Seminary Students in Hertzog Hall.

OFFERINGS RECEIVED MAY 1, 1918, TO APRIL 30, 1919

CLASSIS OF ALBANY.

Madison Ave., Albany	\$191 15
4th Albany	10 00
Y. P. S. 5th Albany	10 00
6th Albany	11 75
1st Bethlehem	25 00
2nd Berne	2 00
Clarksville	57
Delmar	10 40
Knox	5 35
New Baltimore	6 41
New Salem	1 71
Westerlo	4 00
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	\$278 64

CLASSIS OF BERGEN.

1st Hackensack	\$25 00
S. S. 1st Hackensack	25 00
Schraalenburgh	11 87
English Neighborhood.	8 72
Closter	20 00
North Hackensack	10 00
Westwood	55 77
Oradell	20 20
Hasbrouck Heights	10 00
Bogert Memorial	13 29
Harrington Park	6 00
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	\$205 95

SOUTH CLASSIS OF BERGEN.

Bergen, J. C.	\$108 98
1st Bayonne	25 00
S. S. 1st Van Vorst,	
J. C.	2 00
5th St., Bayonne	52 62
2nd Hudson City, J. C.	15 28
Lafayette, J. C.	50 42
S. S. Greenville	4 23
3rd Bayonne	2 00
S. S. 1st Germ. Ev.,	
J. C.	10 00
Faith	33 64
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	\$304 17

CLASSIS OF THE CASCADES.

Lyden	\$10 00
1st Montana	2 14
North Yakima	15 00
Seattle, Wash.	1 00
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	\$28 14

CLASSIS OF CHICAGO.

1st Chicago	\$100 00
1st Englewood, Chi-	
cago	14 25
Gano, Chicago	19 50
1st Roseland, Chicago	25 00
Y. P. S. Summit, Chi-	
cago	5 00
West Side	36 75
Danforth	10 00

1st Fulton	17 14
Lafayette	8 24
Lansing	32 00
Mt. Greenwood	15 47
Zion, Newton	7 90
South Holland	20 00
Wichert	29 25
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	\$340 50

CLASSIS OF DAKOTA.

Aurora	\$6 00
Bemis	4 00
Castlewood	10 00
Charles Mix	10 88
Corsica	7 50
Grand View	8 00
Harrison	20 00
Litchville	1 25
Sandham Memorial,	
Monroe	30 52
North Marion	10 00
Am. Reformed, Orange	
City	45 44
Springfield	39 37
S. S. Springfield	25 00
Strasburg	5 00
Westfield	27 41
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	\$250 37

CLASSIS OF GERMANIA.

Bethany	\$30 00
Bethel	5 00
Cromwell Center	15 00
Dempster	6 00
Hope	10 00
2nd Lennox	16 74
S. S. 2nd Lennox	5 60
North Sibley	18 12
Salem	25 00
Sibley	7 00
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	\$138 46

CLASSIS OF GRAND RIVER.

Byron Center	\$8 00
Coopersville	18 81
Detroit	51 94
1st Grand Haven	57 26
3rd Grand Rapids	13 63
4th Grand Rapids	10 00
5th Grand Rapids	26 25
6th Grand Rapids	15 00
7th Grand Rapids	10 00
8th Grand Rapids	12 22
9th Grand Rapids	10 00
Grandville	20 00
1st Kalamazoo	24 00
3rd Kalamazoo	24 00
1st Muskegon	31 00
Portage	7 90
Rehoboth, Lucas	10 00
Spring Lake	18 35
Twin Lakes	13 00
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	\$381 36

CLASSIS OF GREENE.

Athens	\$5 00
Catskill	19 47
1st Cossackie	6 20
2nd Cossackie	5 67
S. S. Leeds	2 00
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	\$38 34

Queens	3 50
College Point	* 63 14
S. S. College Point	10 00
1st Long Island City	2 00
Steinway	5 00
New Hyde Park	3 15
Winfield	5 00
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	\$185 74

CLASSIS OF HOLLAND.

Beaverdam	\$5 00
1st Cleveland	15 00
Calvary	41 00
Ebenezer	10 20
1st Hamilton	18 00
1st Holland	34 24
3rd Holland	32 00
S. S. 3rd Holland	25 00
6th Holland	6 00
2nd Jamestown	16 14
North Blendon	3 00
North Holland	22 25
Overisel	30 66
South Blendon	11 06
Three Oaks	2 00
1st Zealand	52 79
2nd Zealand	78 49
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	\$402 83

SOUTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND.

1st Reformed Brooklyn	\$10 00
1st Flatbush	66 00
Grace	30 00
1st Gravesend	25 87
Flatlands	20 00
Twelfth Street	21 38
Ch-on-the-Heights	60 36
New Brooklyn	12 00
Canarsie	5 00
Ocean Hill	4 36
Edgewood	5 00
Woodlawn	25 00
Greenwood Heights	10 00
Bay Ridge	23 55
New Utrecht	25 00
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	\$344 02

CLASSIS OF HUDSON.

Claverack	\$18 13
Gallatin	3 00
Germantown	10 00
Greenport	13 46
Hudson	21 11
Linlithgo	5 20
S. S. Linlithgo	4 60
Livingston	3 00
Mellenville	10 63
Philmot	59 02
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	\$148 15

CLASSIS OF ILLINOIS.

Fairview	\$10 00
Trinity	9 00
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	\$19 00

CLASSIS OF KINGSTON.

Bloomington	\$12 30
Hurley	4 00
Fair St., Kingston	23 68
Krumville	3 00
Lyonsville	4 00
Marbleton	10 00
Marbleton, North	2 80
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	\$59 78

NORTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND.

North Hempstead	\$7 50
Flushing	40 00
Kent St., Brooklyn	11 00
South Bushwick	22 45
2nd Astoria	8 00
S. S. 2nd Astoria	5 00

CLASSIS OF MICHIGAN.

Bethany, Grand Rapids	\$30 00
Bethany, Kalamazoo	15 00
Bethel, Grand Rapids	3 60
Grace, Grand Rapids	11 00
2nd Grand Haven	15 00
Central Grand Rapids	119 93
Hope, Holland	77 75
Immanuel, Grand Rapids	5 00
2nd Kalamazoo	10 00
Knapp Ave., Grand Rapids	5 33
2nd Muskegon	6 85
North Park, Kalamazoo	15 54
Trinity, Grand Rapids	10 00
Unity, Muskegon	5 00
Zion, Grand Rapids	10 00
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	\$340 00

CLASSIS OF MONMOUTH.

Holmdel	\$7 20
Middletown	7 80
2nd Freehold	49 96
Colt's Neck	4 00
Asbury Park	2 51
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	\$71 27

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY.

1st Amsterdam	\$18 80
S. S. 1st Amsterdam	13 35
Trinity, Amsterdam	15 31
Ephratah	15 05
Fonda	16 12
Fort Plain	41 57
Fultonville	5 00
Hagaman	12 66
Herkimer	45 79
Interlaken	18 09

Johnstown	5 00
Lodi	10 00
Owasco	3 00
St. Johnsville	20 00
Stone Arabia	16 75
1st Syracuse	3 00
2nd Syracuse	5 00
Y. P. S. West Leyden	2 00
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	\$266 49

CLASSIS OF NEWARK.

Belleville	\$33 56
New York Ave., Newark	1 00
Franklin, Nutley	25 00
North, Newark	78 89
Clinton Ave., Newark	34 45
Trinity, Newark	1 30
Linden	15 00
Brookdale	6 34
1st Orange	18 60
Trinity, Plainfield	24 00
Hyde Park	5 49
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	\$243 63

CLASSIS OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

1st New Brunswick...	\$34 00
Six Mile Run	6 20
Hillsborough	38 51
Griggstown	7 00
2nd New Brunswick ..	30 00
Bound Brook	7 98
East Millstone	5 08
Metuchen	39 44
Suydam St., New Brunswick	27 85
Spotswood	7 00
St. Paul's Perth Amboy	2 00
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	\$205 06

CLASSIS OF NEW YORK.

N. Y. Collegiate	\$506 67
Miss'y Soc'y, 34th St...	15 00
S. S. Vermilye Chapel ..	10 00
Harlem	55 57
Statens Island	30 90
Fordham Manor	20 00
68th St. Germ.	5 60
Brighton Heights	30 00
S. S. Brighton Heights ..	8 51
Zion, Germ. Ev.	15 00
West Farms	3 67
Mott Haven	28 53
Melrose Germ.	11 00
Y. P. S. 4th Melrose, Germ.	10 00
Union of High Bridge ..	13 50
Grace	10 00
Hamilton Grange	32 53
Church of the Comforter	8 78
Bethany Memorial ...	10 00
Mariner's Harbor	4 00
Columbian Memorial...	15 00
5th St., Ave. B, Ev....	10 00
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	\$853 46

CLASSIS OF ORANGE.

Ellenville	\$30 50
Grahamville	2 00
Montgomery	12 60
Newburgh	41 24
New Hurley	7 25
New Prospect	11 65
Shawangunk	6 43
Walden	21 58
Wallkill	30 34
West End	6 00
Woodbourne	3 73
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	\$180 42

CLASSIS OF PALISADES.

New Durham	\$40 60
Germ. Ev. Hoboken..	9 00
S. S. Germ. Ev. Hoboken	13 00
Y. P. S. Germ. Ev. Hoboken	1 00
Miss'y Soc'y Ev. Hoboken	7 00
Guttenburg	4 76
Central Ave., J. C.	48 14
S. S., Central Ave., J. C.	23 38
1st West Hoboken...	17 45
Trinity, West New York	5 00
Woodcliff-on-the-Hudson	8 97
Hope, West Hoboken..	10 00
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	\$187 10

CLASSIS OF PARAMUS.

Aquackanonk	\$223 28
Athenia	11 32
Clifton	23 44
S. S. Clifton	5 00
Hawthorne	8 00
Hohokus	2 00
North Paterson	5 00
Paramus	34 35
Passaic, 1st Holland..	25 00
Passaic, North	22 89
Paterson, B'way.....	20 90
Paterson, Ch. of the Covenant	34 98
Paterson, 1st Holland ..	30 00
Paterson, 2nd Holland ..	15 00
Men's Bible Class, Pat. 2nd Holland.....	17 30
Piermont	5 00
S. S. Piermont.....	5 00
Ramapo	19 00
Ridgewood	35 00
Saddle River	5 38
Spring Valley	9 15
Upper Ridgewood Com.	4 33
Y. P. S. Waldick.....	25 00
Warwick	49 21
Wortendyke, 1st Holland	10 21
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	\$645 74

CLASSIS OF PASSAIC.

1st Little Falls.....	\$37 60
2nd Little Falls	6 00

S. S. Mountain Lakes..	10 00
People's Park	15 09
Pompton Plains	9 43
Preakness	10 00
Riverside	13 00
Totowa, 1st	25 00
Wanaque	3 50

\$129 53

CLASSIS OF PELLA.

Bethany	\$10 39
Bethel	7 76
Central, Oskaloosa..	11 00
Ebenezer, Leighton...	17 78
Eddyville	5 00
New Sharon	9 75
Otley	20 00
1st Pella	60 00
S. S. 1st Pella.....	21 00
2nd Pella	55 09
3rd Pella	25 00
Prairie City	5 00

\$247 68

CLASSIS OF PHILADELPHIA.

N. & S. Hampton.....	\$11 54
S. S. Churchville	20 00
S. S. Johnsville.....	5 00
Harlingen	14 45
Neshanic	28 39
1st Philadelphia	27 17
4th Philadelphia	25 00
Elawenburg	8 33
5th Philadelphia	15 00
Addisville	22 60
Three Bridges	9 00
Talmadge, Philadelphia	23 13

\$209 61

CLASSIS OF PLEASANT PRAIRIE.

Alexander	\$7 00
Aplington	35 00
S. S. Aplington.....	10 00
Baileyville	20 00
Buffalo Center	10 00
Dumont	5 00
Ebenezer	10 00
Elim	7 00
Forreston	75 00
Immanuel	8 29
Merservey	25 00
Monroe	10 00
Parkersburg	10 00
S. S. Parkersburg.....	10 00
Peoria	5 00
Silver Creek	40 00
Washington	10 00
S. S. Wellsburg.....	5 00
Zion	25 75

\$328 04

CLASSIS OF POUGHKEEPSIE.

Poughkeepsie	\$48 66
Fishkill	9 38
Hopewell	19 05
Beacon	36 03

Millbrook	13 74
Upper Red Hook.....	1 00

\$127 86

CLASSIS OF RARITAN.

1st Raritan	\$18 83
Readington	14 20
Bedminster	22 60
Lebanon	7 99
Rockaway	2 00
North Branch	7 57
2nd Raritan	76 72
Peapack	9 00
South Branch	7 88
3rd Raritan	17 55
High Bridge	5 00
4th Raritan	15 00

\$204 31

CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER.

Blooming Grove	\$4 00
Castleton (Em'l).....	5 00
Chatham	9 00
1st Ghent	2 64
2nd Ghent	6 00
Greenbush	5 00
Kinderhook	10 24
Nassau	8 50
New Concord	2 47

\$52 85

CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER.

Abbe	\$65 00
Arcadia	9 08
Brighton	12 00
Buffalo	10 00
Clymer Hill	3 86
East Williamson	35 81
1st Marion	10 00
2nd Marion	17 95
Ontario	5 00
Palmyra	10 00
Pultneyville	23 00
1st Rochester	12 00
2nd Rochester	17 18
Sodus	11 00
Williamson	6 75

\$248 63

CLASSIS OF SARATOGA.

The Boght	\$2 60
Buskirks	20 00
Cohoes	18 60
Greenwich	10 93
West Troy, North	10 25
Wyantskill	1 00
Bacon Hill	3 56

\$66 34

CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.

Altamont	\$14 83
Helderberg	9 15
Niskayuna	25 00
Princetown	3 45
1st Schenectady	20 37

2nd Schenectady	50 00
Mt. Pleasant	65 00
Bellevue	50 00
S. S. Bellevue	36 42
Scotia	15 00
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	\$289 22

CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE.

Berne	\$10 02
Cobleskill	9 78
2nd Howes Cave	5 00
Lawyersville	1 12
Middleburg	11 00
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	\$36 92

CLASSIS OF EAST SIOUX.

Alton	\$31 48
Y. P. S. Archer	4 00
Bigelow	5 00
Boyden	60 00
Firth	5 00
Free Grace (Middle- burg)	30 00
Holland, Neb.	30 00
S. S. Hospers	20 00
Ireton	4 19
Lester	12 07
Matlock	10 37
Newkirk	58 80
Orange City	64 90
Pella, Neb.	17 13
Prairie View, Kan.	37 25
Rotterdam, Kan.	8 46
Rock Rapids	9 94
Sheldon, Iowa	25 00
Sibley, Iowa	8 18
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	\$442 27

CLASSIS OF WEST SIOUX.

Alvord	\$14 25
Bethel (Leota)	20 00
Chandler	8 00
Doon	5 12
Edgerton	20 00
Hull	41 50
Maurice	104 12
Rock Valley	17 76
Roseland	15 58
Sandstone	3 00
Silver Creek	14 70
1st Sioux Center	60 00
Sioux Center Central..	27 31
Steen	18 53
Twin Brooks	2 90
Volga	12 50
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	\$385 27

CLASSIS OF ULSTER.

Church of the Comforter	\$16 00
High Woods	2 00
1st Kingston	48 23
Plattekill	4 08
Port Ewen	5 93
Saugerties	10 00
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	\$86 24

CLASSIS OF WESTCHESTER.

Hastings	\$10 00
S. S. Hastings	15 00
Mount Vernon	26 28
Mile Square, Yonkers.	10 00
Nyack	50 81
Park Hill	22 40
Peekskill	15 00
1st Tarrytown	79 80
Unionville	1 77
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	\$231 06

CLASSIS OF WISCONSIN.

Alto	\$42 16
Cedar Grove	20 00
Forestville	6 00
Friesland	50 00
Gibbsville	30 00
Greenleafston	59 26
Hingham	20 00
Milwaukee	40 00
Oostburg	10 00
Sheboygan, Hope.....	14 25
Sheboygan Falls	6 52
Vesper	5 50
Waupun	13 91
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	\$317 60

INDIVIDUAL AND SPECIAL OFFERINGS.

Mrs. P. M. Doolittle..	\$20 00
Rev. and Mrs. M. V. Oggel	5 00
Interest on Bond, General Synod	1 75
"W. and E. A."	20 00
Jacob Barr	5 00
"A Friend"	1 00
Rev. P. L. Bruce.....	50 00
"From Kingston, N. Y."	50 00
J. D. Hoffman.....	1 00
Mrs. Philip De Master	1 00
Rev. G. W. Labaw....	5 00
"A Friend"	50 00
"A Friend"	200 00
Peter Cortelyou	25 00
"A Friend"	25 00
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	\$459 75

FOR PERMANENT FUND PRINCIPAL

Offerings for the Rev. John Nicholas Meury Fund.

"A Friend," Knox Memorial	\$50 00
"A Friend," Knox Memorial	25 00
S. S. Knox Memorial..	26 04
Knox Memorial Church	74 97
Edward Meury	10 00
Rev. E. G. W. Meury, D. D.	200 00
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	\$386 01

EDUCATION.

OFFERINGS.	
For the Rev. Garrett Mandeville Scholarship.	
Anna E. Leonard.....	\$1,000 00
Elizabeth D. Leonard.	3,000 00
	<hr/> \$4,000 00

BEQUEST.	
Estate of R. Dwight Clark	\$1,000 00

TOTAL OF OFFERINGS AND BEQUESTS.

For Contingent Fund.

Offerings of Churches and Societies.....	\$9,522 68
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Offerings of Individuals	459 75
Total as per Treasurer's Annual Report	<hr/> \$9,982 43

FOR PERMANENT FUND.

Gifts for Mandeville Scholarship	\$4,000 00
Gifts for Rev. John N. Meury Fund	386 01
Bequest from Estate R. Dwight Clark.....	1,000 00
Total as per Treasurer's Annual Report..	<hr/> \$5,386 01

Grand total of offerings and bequests.....	<hr/> \$15,368 44
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The Sixty-Fifth Annual Report of the Board of Publication and Bible-school Work of the Reformed Church in America

Together with the

Report of the Business Agent
the Educational Secretary and
the Committee on Evangelism

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Reorganized 1914

PRESENTED TO THE GENERAL SYNOD,
ASBURY PARK, NEW JERSEY, JUNE, 1919

ANNUAL REPORT—1919

TO THE GENERAL SYNOD:

In presenting the sixty-fifth annual report of the Board of Publication and Bible-school Work to the General Synod, your Board records its thanksgiving to God throughout another year of progressive work in all departments, and its dependence upon God's Leadership in facing the new year's work in the reconstruction epoch in the world's history. The problems that summon us to our great task are many and urgent. The religious education of children and youth holds the solution of the future development of Christian ideals in the nation and trained leadership for the Church. A world authority on social questions, Benjamin Kidd, in his latest work says that the civilization of the world can be changed in a single generation. Such a goal ought to arouse the Church to her task to make the coming generation by religious education the generation in which the new age of the world shall be born.

The Five Year Progress Campaign of our Church rightly places this department of our Board's work as fundamental to all the other interests of the plan. The Budget proposed later in our report declares the Board's readiness to meet the religious education task of the coming five years with both vision and service.

THE NOTABLE EVENTS.

The notable events of the year to which we call the attention of the Synod are as follows:

1. The death of our Business Agent, Mr. Robert W. Simington, on October 29, 1918, whose election to this office in August, 1917, was a notable event in our report of last year, and whose short administration of our business affairs gave great promise through his quiet personality and business efficiency in a critical year of the Board's history, was a

distinct loss in the beginning of our year's work. The Board met the situation by summoning our Educational Secretary to leadership until a new Business Agent, Mr. Lucius W. Hine, was secured at the beginning of the year 1919. Mr. Hine came to us after a long business training in the largest book stores in New York City; for twelve years with G. P. Putnam's Sons, and coming to us directly from the well-known firm of E. P. Dutton and Company with whom he had been for the last two years. This long experience in the book trade of the metropolis served to fit him readily in our Business Department, and the financial report of the year confirms the wisdom of the Board in the selection of our new Business Agent. We bespeak from the members of the Synod a hearty greeting to Mr. Hine, who like Mr. Simington, last year will attend his first meeting of the General Synod. A personal meeting we are confident will serve to commend our choice.

2. Our Educational Secretary, Rev. Abram Duryee, whose election to the office was a notable event in our last year's report, has more than fulfilled our expectations as announced then. His clear vision of the fruitful field of work has been brought to the task of inspiring and instructing our Bible-school and Young People's Societies, and while for a time through the death of the Business Agent he had to devote much of his time to the general work of the Board, his annual report following will reveal a full year's service in the educational work. His visits both in the eastern and the western fields of our Church have given him a knowledge of the conditions of our Bible Schools, Young People's Societies, and Catechetical Classes, and a closer touch with the pastors and church workers. His membership in the great National and International Bible-school organizations and Young People's Societies of Christian Endeavor, has brought our Board and through us the Reformed Church into vital union with these inter-church forces that hold within their field of influence the Christian educational leadership of the growing generation. So prompt and generous

a response to the Board's appeal for funds for the Armenian and Syrian Relief, made by our Educational Secretary, resulted in his being invited in a selected circle of Christian educational leaders, to accompany a party of investigation and survey of the needy fields of the Near East, and at present writing he is on the field. The Board felt warranted in giving the Educational Secretary a leave of absence of three months, not only for the honor conferred upon Church and Board for representation on this Commission, but also for the enrichment of the experience of our Secretary in these historic lands of the Bible, which will better equip him for his future work in the Bible Schools of our denomination.

3. The Christian Intelligencer. By the action of the Synod of 1917 The Christian Intelligencer, after more than four score years under private ownership, became the property of the Board of Publication and Bible-school Work, as a denominational Church paper. The Board accepted this responsibility, knowing full well the added financial burden it placed upon them, but believing in the Synod's action that such a denominational paper was imperatively needed as a means of communication both to our own membership and to the world at large, of the varied and wide-reaching activities of our Reformed Church. Your Board went forward in faith that the Synod's action was the voice of the Church and her Lord, and bring to the Synod of 1919 the report that for two years The Christian Intelligencer has continued its past honored position through the Board of Publication and Bible-school Work. These years have been critical, and in our last report to Synod, and in the full consideration of that report by the Synod, the Board laid all the facts in the case and called for the financial support adequate to the situation. Acting upon the advice of the Synod and its Special Committee, appointed to confer with our Board, we made a lower subscription price of \$1.50 a year, assured by many of our ministers, elders and church members that this was the only way to get a reasonable number

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of the members of the Reformed Church to subscribe for a denominational paper. Acting upon this assurance and advice, the Board through its Committee on Publication, whose Chairman Mr. J. Van Liew Wyckoff gave much of his business ability to organize and push forward a campaign for 20,000 new subscribers by January, 1919, which would represent one out of every three families in the Church. This campaign resulted in only 1,928 new subscriptions. Had this campaign been supported by the whole Church, it would have assured the financial support of the paper and would have reduced the price to old as well as new subscribers at the \$1.50 rate. Since this desired end was not attained, the Board feels compelled to fix a \$2.00 rate for all subscribers, and looks confidently to the Church to maintain the present list of subscribers and make every effort to attain the goal of 20,000 subscribers, one in every three families of our membership. Had all the ministers and members of consistories at least as leaders of the congregations subscribed, and had the other half of the Churches made a consistent effort to push forward the campaign, the Board might have brought a more favorable report to the Synod of 1919. But the year has not been without God's gracious help for this important branch of our work, for a gift of \$5,000.00, from Mrs. Ralph W. Voorhees, whose benefactions to the Reformed Church and her institutions of learning have been so generous and constant, came to our help as we faced a deficit of \$5,010.92 for the year ending April 30, 1918. This gift was most timely, and gave us courage to continue what at times seemed to be a forlorn hope. The Board has wisely used this gift to meet that deficit, and with the amount received from new subscriptions, 1,928 at \$1.50, and the collection of outstanding accounts of three or four years, makes the amount necessary to maintain *The Intelligencer* drawn from the funds of the Board but \$1,297.12 this year.

Another providential encouragement to our Board was the bequest of Mr. Andrew Peck, for many years an active member of our Board, of \$5,000.00, payable at \$1,000.00 a year,

for the general work of our Board. These cheering signs of interest in our Board and its growing influence in our Church, from individual givers of large amounts, have done much to make the year of the Board a red letter year in its history.

THE NEW REFORMED CHURCH HYMNAL.

The Board is glad to announce that the new Reformed Church Hymnal, approved by the Synod of 1918, is nearly ready to go to press. The final preparation of the text by the Joint Committees of our Sister Reformed Churches took some time, but the proofs have been presented to the Committee and read, and we have every reason to hope to put this hymnal on the market some time late in September. The Board has great confidence that this New Reformed Church Hymnal will take its place in our churches as the last and best hymnal of the Reformed Churches.

OUR CONTRIBUTIONS AND OFFERINGS.

The action of previous Synods in giving our Board a place upon the budget of benevolences, with a five per cent. portion of all the benevolent contributions of the churches, has begun to bear fruit after many days. An increase of 25% over last year indicates a greater interest on the part of our churches in the growing work of our Board.

The offerings from the Bible Schools however have fallen off about 10% during the year, but the pressing of war and relief causes on our Bible Schools, as well as the epidemic of influenza, which interrupted in some cases all sessions of our Bible Schools and in every case reduced the average attendance, may account in a measure for this decrease.

MISSIONARY EDUCATION.

Our Board has continued its close co-operation with our Missionary Boards during the year, and promoted the publication and distribution of "Twenty-four Missionary

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Travelogues," so long in preparation, which affords a series of lessons for the Intermediate Grades of our Bible Schools. Each of these Travelogues is illustrated by an attractive poster in colors. It is to be hoped that our Bible-school leaders will hail with joy this effective appeal to missionary interest among our boys and girls. The two former books of this series, written by Miss Margaret T. Applegarth, and covering the Primary and Junior Grades, have been greeted with "Here are 52 fascinating stories to answer the constant demand of the childrens' 'Tell me a story.'" The wide use of this series in our Bible Schools will arouse intelligent missionary interest among the youth of our Church.

INCREASING BUSINESS.

Our business in Bible-school supplies has been quite noticeable, showing a gain of \$3,330.53 for the year. The securing of this co-operation with all of our Bible Schools will do much to make the business of the Board a growing profit for the wider work of our Progress Campaign.

The sale of hymn books has also been marked. The delay in issuing the new Reformed Church Hymnal has caused many of our churches for the last two years to replenish their worn-out books in small lots from such supplies of other authorized hymnals in our stock, while others have introduced "The Church Hymnary" or "Hymns of Worship and Service" for future use. The early issue of the new hymnal will be a welcome addition to our stock, and we bespeak for it a speedy introduction into many of our churches.

ESTIMATED BUDGET FOR FIVE YEARS.

In accord with the Five Year Progress Campaign together with the other Boards of the Church we have submitted the following:

Educational and Evangelistic De- partments . . .	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.
Grants	\$5,000.00	\$7,500.00	\$8,500.00	\$9,000.00	\$10,000.00
	2,000.00	2,500.00	3,000.00	3,500.00	4,000.00

Christian Intel...	5,000.00	4,500.00	4,000.00	3,500.00	3,000.00
Drury Estate...	400.00	400.00	400.00	400.00	400.00
Pub. Contract...	2,000.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total per year	\$14,400.00	\$14,900.00	\$15,900.00	\$16,400.00	\$17,400.00
Total for five years.....	\$79,000.00				

LOOKING AHEAD.

We feel that we can take care of more business. It is simply a matter of ordering of our Board the books and other supplies needed in the work of the Church which must be purchased somewhere. It costs the Church neither time nor money to increase the business of our Board. Not a church is poorer because we are more prosperous, not a church will be poorer if our business be increased during the coming year. The leading feature of our publication department during the coming year is the publication of "The Reformed Church Hymnal" of which we will have a first edition of 5,000 copies. Our new fifty page catalogue has stimulated business in miscellaneous supplies.

We are ever ready to supply our schools with publications of other houses. The great question for the members of the Church is: Shall the Board of Publication and Bible-school Work be used to its full capacity? To accomplish this result needs only the thoughtful co-operation of our churches. There is involved in this no question of the distribution of money in benevolences or church support, neither the diversion of funds for missionary or other work of the Church at large, but simply the matter of giving our Board all the business which falls within its sphere. The book business of the denomination fairly represents our field, and it costs the churches nothing to give us the opportunity to serve them and thereby largely increase the business of our Board. To order of us the books and other supplies needed in the work of the Church, Sunday School or Missionary Society, which must be ordered from somewhere, will be of advantage to us and through us to the Church.

The sale of Miss Applegarth's two books "Primary" and

"Junior Mission Stories" including the "Take Home Cards" used in connection with their study, has shown a wide growing interest in other denominations as well as our own, and encouraged us to the extent of printing another edition.

The habit of ordering from the Board is being trained into more and more of our young people each year, and is a happy augury of the time when they shall be the men and women of the Church. Church equipment—hymn books and boards, communion outfits, collection devices, Bibles, etc.—is each year increasing in importance as a department of our business. We want all the business of all the Bible Schools of the Reformed Church; whether we publish the goods or not, we can supply anything desired from pins to books for the individual, pastor, Sunday-school Libraries or holiday gifts. If an intelligent selection cannot be made from catalogues write The Board of Publication.

SUGGESTIVE ACTION.

Resolution 1. In view of the enlarging work of our Board as committed to us from preceding Synods, the enlarged work of the Educational Department and the work of the Committee on Evangelism, your Board feels constrained to ask the Church through the Synod for \$14,400.00 as proposed in the Budget, as the least amount adequate for the work of the coming year.

Resolution 2. That the Consistories of all our Churches in apportioning their Budget of Benevolences for the coming year be requested to give this Board, as previous Synods have fixed, five cents of every dollar contributed to the Boards of our Church, as a fair proportion for the work of this Board.

Resolution 3. That the Boards, Institutions and Agencies of the Church, and through the Classes, all pastors and people be enjoined to rally to the moral and financial support of The Christian Intelligencer, and that participation of our readers in making The Intelligencer their own paper will be always heartily welcomed. With such a personal interest

on the part of our readers we are confident it will help to make the paper become an indispensable factor in the progress of the life and work of our Church.

Resolution 4. That it be very essential that individual churches support our denominational Church paper, The Christian Intelligencer, by both generously securing subscribers among the members of the Church, and especially that each member of the consistory be a subscriber, and that churches briefly report for publication all interesting activities.

Also the following relating to the work of the Department of Religious Education:

Resolution 1. Every Bible School a ten point school according to the Standard of Efficiency following:—

1. Cradle Roll—Organized with a superintendent and a list of babies.

2. Home Department—Organized with a superintendent and a list of members, holding an annual meeting.

3. Organized Bible Classes in Secondary and Adult Divisions—Secondary—Thirteen to twenty years of age. Adult—Over twenty years of age. Organized with at least President, Secretary and one committee.

4. Teacher Training—At least one student reported to headquarters as attending a registered class.

5. Graded Organization and Instruction—The International Standard of Grading means at least three departments of the school. Elementary—Up to twelve years. Secondary—Thirteen to twenty. Adult—Over twenty. Graded instruction signifies lesson materials and teaching adapted to the unfolding life of the pupil.

6. Missionary Instruction and Offering—Frequent and systematic instruction and a contribution to at least one of your Mission Boards.

7. Temperance Instruction—Temperance Lessons faithfully taught.

8. Definite Decision for Christ Urged—Through catechetical classes or other form of instruction with church membership and church attendance as the end in view.

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9. Offering for the Board of Publication and Bible-School Work—The Books of the Board close April 30th.

10. Workers' Conference Regularly Held—Meeting of officers and teachers to discuss the work of the school.

Resolution 2. A mission study class in every Young People's Society.

Resolution 3. An offering from every Young People's Society for its own Board of Publication and Bible-school Work.

The terms of the following members of the Board expire at this time :

Rev. F. S. Wilson,	Mr. John F. Chambers,
" I. W. Gowen, D. D.	" Edwin H. Snyder,
" M. Seymour Purdy,	" Andrew J. DeVoe,
" Lucas Boeve,	" John DeMott,
" George D. Hulst,	" Alexander S. Miller.

The death in October, 1918, of Mr. George W. Pool, removed from the service of our Board and of the Reformed Church in America, one of its honored members. Mr. Pool became a member of our Board in 1888, and served upon its Executive and Finance Committees during most of these thirty years with great fidelity. Mr. Pool's term would have expired at this time, and Mr. Alexander S. Miller was elected to fill the vacancy in the membership of the Board.

The Board has received with regret the resignation of Mr. Robert H. Robinson on account of interfering business relations. His successor should be nominated to fill this vacancy for the unexpired term of two years.

Respectfully submitted,

I. W. GOWEN,
Corresponding Secretary.

REPORT OF THE BUSINESS DEPARTMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1919

TO THE BOARD:

A marked increase of business in the last few months of our year brings to the attention of the Board the efficient business foundation of our deceased Business Agent, which makes it possible to submit this report showing an increase of \$4,089.75 over the previous year of 1917.

SALES.

Total sales for the year, \$51,057.53.

Periodical sales have gained \$48.72.

Book sales have gained \$554.99.

Church and Bible-school supplies have gained \$3,330.53.

FUTURE BUSINESS.

Many inquiries have come to us regarding the long delayed Reformed Church Hymnal, which is now nearly ready to go to press. The final proofs have been read and all indications are that it will be ready by September.

The Children's Day Service, "Growing Like Him," is being sent out and we hope for a big success. Copies are given in exchange for Sunday-school collections on that day, or can be purchased outright.

INCREASING BUSINESS.

The growing demand for the two books, published at the expense of the Committee on Missionary Education by the Board of Publication, "Primary" and "Junior Mission Stories," by Miss Margaret Applegarth, has made it necessary to print another edition of 1,000 copies each. The new book for the Intermediate grades has just come from the

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press and constitutes a most interesting series of lessons, for which has been published a set of attractive posters in colors for class use. We hope for as big a success for this volume as for the two former publications.

CHRISTIAN INTELLIGENCER.

The drive for 20,000 new subscribers ended April 1, 1919, with an increase of 1,928 subscribers at \$1.50 per year, and the collection of past due subscriptions, many of three and four years standing, has brought in an amount which will make it necessary to draw from the Board of Publication but \$1,297.12 to help meet its expenses for the year. Next year we will not have this amount coming in so that a big effort must be made for new subscribers. Itemized account will be found on another page.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

A decrease of 10% in Bible-school contributions from last year will be found in a detailed list on another page.

The opportunity is given there for more of our Bible-schools to show their loyalty and interest in our work.

An increase of 25% in Church and General Contributions shows a total of \$4,997.52.

GRANTS.

A list of donations made this year of hymn books, Bibles, etc., will be found on another page. Expression of great appreciation and thanks has been sent to the Board in each instance.

Respectfully submitted,
LUCIUS W. HINE,
Business Agent.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM

To the Board of Publication and Bible School Work:

Your Committee on Evangelism begs leave to submit its report of the year's activities. The demands of the War (and the problems arising out of it) have commanded the enlistment of two of the leading members of the Committee. The chairman (of the Committee), Rev. Oscar M. Voorhees, D. D., (relinquished his duties) and is now with the Y. M. C. A. in France. He had been the guiding spirit of the entire program of evangelism, and his absence made the work most difficult. Later the secretary of the Commission on Evangelism, Rev. Abram Duryea, suddenly gave up his work (for a season) for relief work in the Near East. The acting chairman had returned from France but recently when he was asked to assume the chairmanship of the Committee ad interim. All these exigencies have made the work difficult and led to the curtailment of many plans.

The Committee on Evangelism received from General Synod its share of the responsibility for the Five Year Program which involved the doubling of the membership of the church in the next five years. With this in mind, the Commission has adopted the following program:

1st. To make effective the increase of membership within the next five years it is necessary (first) that every pastor receive with renewed compelling the evangelistic vision. If the pew cannot rise above the pulpit then the challenge and burden rest with the ministry to realize first the program of evangelism. This is the pastor's challenge and call to the supreme task. Where the pastor has not this vision, the people will perish. His first obligation is to bring men out of darkness into the marvelous light.

2d. That every member recognize his responsibility in the work of evangelism. God uses men to win men, and it is only when life in Christ touches life in the world that

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discipleship is increased. The pastor, to be sure, must lead, but if every member does not recognize the personal responsibility to bring others into the church and Kingdom, the problem will not be solved.

3d. That every church recognize the work of evangelism as its supreme task. Expressional and social religion must have their inspiration in this fact, that men are brought to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and His power. "The soul of reform is the reform of the soul." To make effective the Five Year Program it is necessary that there be a fifteen per cent. increase in the membership of every church before fiscal year closes. This means that there must be an increase of membership three times greater than last year.

4th. That the program of evangelism must be made effective by united effort on the part of the church co-operating with other churches in the communities in which they are found. The Committee heartily endorses the necessity of united evangelistic vision on the part of all the churches in a given community, and endorses any movement that shall make effective this federated evangelistic effort. Accordingly the Committee has been in close touch with the Commission on Evangelism of the Federal Council under the able leadership of Rev. C. D. Goodell, D. D. The Committee endorses the program of the Federal Council to federate all the evangelistic efforts of all the churches of the country that state-wide evangelistic campaigns such as are now being planned will ultimately be brought to pass throughout the entire country. Several churches of the denomination have co-operated in the federated evangelistic campaigns in some large districts in the central west and east, such as Chicago and New York. The Committee has co-operated with the Commission on Evangelism of the Federal Council in a campaign among the churches at large to observe special seasons for evangelistic efforts, such as Watch Night service and Holy Week. All these have left a great spiritual up-lift in the churches that have co-operated.

The Committee feels also the necessity of a larger co-

operation in the support of the Commission on Evangelism of the Federal Council. The several denominations have made liberal and large contributions toward that work, and your Committee feels that some expression of co-operation ought to be given by our church. While there were no funds available from the Board, through the co-operation and liberality of friends, your Committee sent a check of seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) to the Commission on Evangelism of the Federal Council. We hope the Board may find it possible to co-operate more liberally in the coming year.

5th. That Communicant's Classes be formed in every church with pre-communion instruction to prepare for church membership. That catechetical instruction have a larger place in the program of the church. The Committee has suggested definite literature on this matter.

6th. That the Christian leadership of the men who have been in the service of their country be utilized for effective evangelistic agencies in winning the young people of the church to which they are returned, especially the boys. A vast amount of leadership for evangelism can be released in the church that utilizes the earnest consecrations which were born in the hearts of the Christian men in the service.

The War Service Commission of the Reformed Church, which was organized under the auspices of the Commission on Evangelism, has been entirely and rightly dis-associated from it, and is now a definite commission of the church.

The survey of the year's work leads us to present the following resolutions:

I. That Synod, through its Commission on Evangelism, place before the churches the immediate and paramount need of personal evangelism. This must be the burden of our hearts. We cannot reconstruct the world until we reconstruct men's lives according to the program of Jesus through a personal dedication to Him. The Five Year Program involving the doubling of membership, involves great and grave responsibilities on the part of each church. We

must capitalize and conserve the high ideals of Jesus and personal consecration of life to Him which this world war brought to so many.

II. That we commend and endorse the program of the Commission on Evangelism of the Federal Council, and urge the hearty co-operation of the churches in its effort to nation-wide evangelism. That we assume in that co-operation also a share of the financial burden which this involves. Definite contributions for the cause of evangelism is urged upon the churches to properly finance the work of the Committee, and suggest that such contributions be payable to the Board.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH R. SIZOO,
Acting Chairman.

REPORT OF THE EDUCATIONAL SECRETARY

The past year has not been free from difficulties in the educational work of the Church. With the young men answering the call to the colors in the early part of the year and the influenza during the fall and winter, many schools have not been able to show as good results as they had hoped for. The encouraging feature of the year has been the growing interest in religious education. Freed from the strain incident to participation in war men are now seeking for the meaning of the gigantic struggle, and they are trying to find ways to prevent such destruction and to reconstruct a broken world. Fundamentally, this is the task of religious education and must be performed by the Christian Church and especially by the Church of Christ in America.

EDUCATIONAL.

Germany, in militarism, and Japan in science, have shown us what can be accomplished by education when promoted in an adequate way. Christian education may be made just as effective when conducted on large and tested lines. The Gospel of Jesus Christ is the only solution of the world's problems. If we want a Christian world to-morrow we must help the children and young people of today to come to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and grow in His likeness. This is the work of our department.

A. Bible Schools. We are endeavoring to lift higher the standard and efficiency of our schools. Last fall and winter, in co-operation with thirty of the leading denominations, we conducted a drive for a teacher training class in every school. Circumstances prevented the attaining large results, but many schools organized such classes. By correspondence and personal visits we have kept in touch with our schools. The number of schools reporting this year is 673. These report 10,855 Officers and Teachers; 106,256 Pupils.

B. Young People's Societies. Doubtless no part of the Church life needs more careful attention than the Young People's Societies. Too often these societies are without definite and worth-while objective, and as a result the pulse of the society fluctuates and its life and usefulness are uncertain. If these young people are to be the leaders in the Church of the future they must be trained in personal work, missions, public prayer and social service. The reports received show the following facts: Senior Christian Endeavor members, 11,223; Intermediate, 1,514; Junior, 3,232; other organizations and membership—Young People's Societies, 1,738; Mission Bands, 826; Young Women's Missionary Societies, 1,031; Young Men's Societies, 473; King's Daughters, 272; Girl's Clubs, 1,219; Boy's Clubs, 791; Boy Scouts, 1,156; Girl Scouts, 412; Camp Fire Girls, 306; and many other organizations with smaller memberships with a total of about one thousand.

C. Catechetical Classes. The churches in the west are more faithful in catechetical instruction than the churches in the east so far as definite class work is concerned. With the material prepared by Dr. John E. Kuizenga becoming available for use this form of instruction should be developed in our Church schools. The schools reporting give a total of 18,636 pupils enrolled in catechetical classes, and from the Bible schools and catechetical classes 3,354 united with the Church.

OBJECTIVES.

The objectives for the year April 1, 1919, to April 1, 1920, are:

1. Every Bible school a ten point school according to the Standard of Efficiency.
2. A mission study class in every Young People's Society.
3. An offering from every Young People's Society for its own Board of Publication and Bible-school Work.

MISSIONS AND EVANGELISM.

There has never been a time when it was more necessary for our young people to study missions than it is today if reconstruction is to be of a permanent character. Moreover, the young people should be taught how to do personal work. In the Progress Campaign these fundamental lines of study and work have been stressed. The reports of the Committee on Missionary Education and the Committee on Evangelism, found in another part of the Board's Report, should be carefully studied.

RELIEF.

The appeal for suffering Armenia, made more urgent by war conditions has not fallen upon deaf ears in our denomination. Four communications were sent to our Bible schools last fall, in which the sad conditions in the Near East were described and a request made for a Christmas offering. The response has been nearly three times larger than last year. In all \$11,479.16 have been reported by the American Committee on Armenian and Syrian Relief as having been received from the Bible-schools of the Reformed Church in America. The educational value of this relief offering should not be overlooked.

CO-OPERATION.

During the year your secretary attended and had some part in the work of the Sunday School Council of Evangelical Denominations in the United States and Canada, the International Lesson Committee, the Interdenominational Young People's Societies' Commission, Presbyterian and Reformed Mission Study Committee and other interdenominational committees on Bible Schools and Young People's Societies.

OFFICE AND LITERARY.

We welcome the letter or personal visit which has to do with the work of religious education, and our office should

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be kept informed of your successes and failures. The literary work has been much increased during the past year.

FIELD.

A large part of the Field Work has been in connection with the Five Year Progress Campaign. The secretary tries as far as possible to accept all invitations to present the work in church, school or society. The record for the past year is as follows: Classes, 2; Bible School Conventions, 3; Bible Classes, 3; Conferences, 14; Special Addresses, 14; Young People's Societies, 9; General Synod, 1; Bible Schools, 19; Churches, 56; Community School of Religious Education, 1. Total, 122.

WORLD.

The secretary was granted a leave of absence from March 15th to July 1st, 1919, to accept the invitation of the American Committee on Relief in the Near East to visit and investigate conditions in Armenia and Syria.

CONCLUSION.

Thanking God for His blessing on the work in the past, we face the new times and tasks relying on His promise to lead and strengthen for larger results.

Respectfully submitted,
ABRAM DURYEE,
Educational Secretary.

DONATIONS

- 100 Hymns of Worship & Serv..Fairview Mission, Comstock, Mich.
60 Church Hymnary2nd, Little Falls (N. J.) Church.
125 Gospel Hymns4th, Kalamazoo (Mich.) Church.
Bible School HelpsEmanuel, Seattle (Wash.) S. S.
Bible School HelpsWinnebago Indian Mission.
50 Church HymnaryWest Farms, N. Y. City Church.
Communion ServiceFairview, Grand Rapids (Mich.)
Church.
75 Hymns of Worship & Service.6th, Grand Rapids (Mich.) Church
75 Books for Sun. Sch. Library..Fremont (Mich.) Sunday School.
25 BiblesVespers (Mich.) Church.
100 Liturgy and PsalterFlorence (S. C.) Mission.
100 Alleluia HymnalFlorence (S. C.) Mission.
30 BiblesExtension Mission Field of Com-
manche Mission, Apache, Okla.
30 Minutes of General Synod...New Brunswick Seminary.

CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED MAY 1, 1918, TO APRIL 30, 1919

CHURCHES, MISSION SOCIETIES, ETC.

CLASSIS OF ALBANY.

Albany, 1st	\$25 00
Albany, 6th	12 77
Berne, 2nd	2 00
Clarksville	64
Delmar, 2nd Bethlehem	97
Knox	5 00
New Baltimore	5 10
New Salem	1 01
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	\$54 49

CLASSIS OF BERGEN.

Closter	\$5 00
Dumont, Schraalen-Schraalenburgh	31 01
Hackensack, 1st	2 10
Harrington Park	10 86
Hasbrouck Heights	10 00
North Hackensack	10 00
Oradell	16 25
Westwood	39 48
Missionary Fund, 1st Hackensack	10 14
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	\$134 84

SOUTH CLASSIS OF BERGEN.

Bayonne, 1st	\$18 70
Bayonne, 3rd	2 00
Bayonne, 5th st.	32 89
Jersey City, Bergen ..	68 11
Jersey City, Faith	16 82
Jersey City, Lafayette ..	12 61
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	\$151 13

CLASSIS OF CASCADES.

Big Timber, Hope	\$4 53
Conrad, 1st	4 29
Lynden	7 40
Oak Harbor	5 00
Seattle	1 00
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	\$22 22

CLASSIS OF CHICAGO.

Chicago, 1st	\$10 00
Chicago, 1st Englewood ..	5 00
Chicago, West Side	18 38
Chicago, Gano	13 40
Danforth	4 02
DeMotte	20 55
Fulton, 1st	5 98
Indianapolis 1st Holland	3 50
Lansing	30 00
Morrison, Ebenezer	18 80
Newton, Fenton	3 55
Roseland, 1st	25 00
South Holland	5 00
Spring Valley, Ustick ..	13 65
Wichert	28 37
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	\$205 20

CLASSIS OF DAKOTA.

Armour, Grand View ..	\$8 00
Aurora	2 00
Bemis	1 00
Corsica	4 00
Dempster, Castlewood ..	3 83
Harrison	11 48
North Marion	10 00
Orange City	45 45
Platte, Charles Mix	5 00
Springfield, Emanuel ..	33 49
Strasburg	10 00
Westfield	15 00
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	\$149 25

CLASSIS OF GERMANIA.

Chancellor	\$5 00
Clara City, Bethany ..	10 00
Davis, Bethel	5 00
Dempster	4 00
Everly, Cromwell Center	10 00
George, Hope	5 00
Lenox, 2nd	5 14
Little Rock, Salem	5 00
Monroe	10 00
North Sibley	1 00
Sibley	1 00
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	\$61 14

CLASSIS OF GRAND RIVER.

Decatur	\$4 41
Detroit, 1st	5 60
Grand Rapids, 4th	15 00
Grand Rapids, 5th	13 13
Grand Rapids, 6th	10 00
Grand Rapids, 7th	3 00
Grand Rapids, 9th	10 00
Grand Rapids, Beverly ..	12 13
Grand Rapids, Central ..	5 40
Grandville	7 32
Kalamazoo, 3rd	8 00
Kalamazoo, Twin Lakes ..	8 00
Lucas, Rehoboth	5 00
New Era	4 00
Portage	6 71
Spring Lake	10 00
Men's Missionary Soc., 9th Grand Rapids	4 00
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	\$131 10

CLASSIS OF GREENE.

Athens	\$10 00
Catskill	9 75
Coxsackie, 1st	4 51
Coxsackie, 2nd	3 77
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	\$28 03

CLASSIS OF HOLLAND.

Cleveland, Calvary....	\$8 20
Hamilton, 1st	10 64
Holland, 1st	7 40
Holland, 3rd	8 00
Jamestown, 1st	45 09
Jamestown, 2nd	1 50
North Blendon	2 00
North Holland	11 59
South Blendon	5 58
Three Oaks	2 00
Vriesland	17 55
Zeeland, 1st	22 79
Zeeland, Beverdam ...	3 10
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	\$145 35

CLASSIS OF HUDSON.

Claverack	\$4 75
Germantown	5 00
Hudson	8 45
Livingston, Linlithgo..	8 20
Mellenville	9 17
Philmont	26 86
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	\$62 43

CLASSIS OF ILLINOIS.

Chicago, 2nd Engle- wood	\$3 89
Fairview	6 00
Spring Lake, Manito..	5 00
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	\$14 80

CLASSIS OF KINGSTON.

Hurley	\$5 00
Kingston, Fair St....	4 74
Stone Ridge, Lyons- ville	2 00
Rev. & Mrs. M. V. Oggel	5 00
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	\$16 74

NORTH CLASSIS OF LONG
ISLAND.

Astoria, German 2nd..	\$3 00
Brooklyn, Kent Street	2 00
Brooklyn, South Bush- wick	17 32
College Point	38 27
Flushing	20 00
Jamaica, 1st	28 70
Long Island City, Sun- nyside	2 00
Manhasset, North Hempstead	7 50
Queens	3 50
Winfield	5 00
Rev. Lewis Francis...	5 00
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	\$132 23

SOUTH CLASSIS OF LONG
ISLAND.

Brooklyn, Bay Ridge..	\$20 00
Church on the Heights	36 79

Canarsie	5 00
Edgewood	5 58
Flatbush, 1st	25 00
Flatlands	14 25
Grace	15 00
New Brooklyn	5 06
New Utrecht	15 00
Ocean Hill	4 86
Woodlawn	10 00
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	\$156 54

CLASSIS OF MICHIGAN.

Grand Haven, 2nd....	\$5 50
Grand Rapids, Bethany	17 50
Grand Rapids, Bethel..	2 40
Grand Rapids, Calvary	5 00
Grand Rapids, Central	24 59
Grand Rapids, Grace..	11 00
Grand Rapids, Trinity	5 00
Grand Rapids, Zion..	5 90
Holland, Hope	40 98
Kalamazoo, 2nd	5 00
Kalamazoo, Bethany..	5 00
Kalamazoo, North Park Street	15 01
Muskegon, Unity	5 00
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	\$147 88

CLASSIS OF MONMOUTH.

Asbury Park	\$1 15
Freehold, 1st	5 07
Freehold, 2nd	12 10
Holmdel	8 83
Keyport	12 00
Middletown	8 57
"E. A. & W." Holmdel, N. J.	5 00
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	\$52 72

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY.

Amsterdam, 1st	\$9 40
Amsterdam, Trinity...	3 06
Canajoharie	9 30
Fonda	3 00
Fort Plain	15 00
Fultonville	10 00
Hagaman	12 66
Herkimer	38 16
Interlaken	3 74
Johnstown	5 00
Lodi	5 00
Owasco	3 00
St. Johnsville	4 00
Syracuse, 1st	5 00
Syracuse, 2nd	5 00
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	\$126 82

CLASSIS OF NEWARK.

Belleville	\$33 56
East Orange, Hyde Park	2 75
Linden	4 50
Newark, Christ	10 49
Newark, Clinton Ave..	10 75
Newark, New York Ave.	70
Newark, North	19 72

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Newark, Trinity	87
Nutley, Franklin	25 00
Plainfield, Trinity	17 00
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	\$125 34

CLASSIS OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

Bound Brook	\$10 17
East Millstone	7 68
Griggstown	5 05
Metuchen	17 59
Middlebush	10 14
Millstone, Hillsbor-	
ough	19 21
New Brunswick, 1st..	65 00
New Brunswick, 2nd..	15 00
New Brunswick,	
Throop Ave.	11 19
Perth Amboy	2 00
Spotswood	5 00
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	\$168 03

CLASSIS OF NEW YORK.

68th Street	\$3 00
Bethany Memorial ...	10 00
Brighton Heights	15 00
Collegiate	303 02
Colony, Okla.	15 00
Comforter	8 78
Elmendorf Chapel	41 51
Fordham	14 00
Grace	10 00
Hamilton Grange	32 33
Harlem	42 25
High Bridge	11 50
Knox Memorial	26 00
Mariners Harbor	4 00
Melrose	3 00
Mott Haven	27 83
West Farms	5 55
Zion	2 50
Missionary Society,	
34th Street	5 00
Rev. Wm. Chamberlain	5 00
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	\$585 07

CLASSIS OF ORANGE.

Ellenville	\$37 30
Grahamsville	3 00
Montgomery	9 60
Newburgh, American..	21 34
New Hurley, Gardiner..	1 00
Pine Bush, New Pros-	
pect	9 27
Port Jervis, Deer Park	3 00
Port Jervis, West End	2 00
Walden	18 54
Wallkill	3 08
Wallkill, Shawangunk	5 41
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	\$113 54

CLASSIS OF PALISADES.

Coytesville	\$1 91
Guttenberg	3 57
Jersey City, Central	
Ave.	61 14
New Durham, Grove ..	50 00
North Bergen	5 00

West Hoboken, 1st....	5 00
Woodcliffe	10 78
Young People's Soci-	
ety, North Bergen..	2 00
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	\$139 40

CLASSIS OF PARAMUS.

Athenia, Centerville...	\$2 27
Clifton	23 44
Clifton, Holland	5 00
Ho-Ho-Kus	3 30
Mahwah, Ramapo	8 00
North Paterson	5 00
Passaic, Acquackanock	179 12
Passaic, North	45 78
Passaic Park	6 33
Paterson, 2nd	20 00
Paterson, Covenant ..	13 26
Paterson, Broadway ..	10 60
Piermont	7 48
Ridgewood	50 00
Warwick	15 94
Wortendyke, 1st Hol-	
land	5 35
Upper Ridgewood So-	
cietly	4 33
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	\$404 60

CLASSIS OF PASSAIC.

Little Falls, 1st.....	\$23 29
Little Falls, 2nd	6 00
Paterson, 1st Totowa..	15 00
Paterson, Riverside ..	16 00
Paterson, Union Hol-	
land	10 00
Pompton Plains	1 75
Wanaque	3 50
Wyckoff	2 40
Rev. Geo. W. Labaw,	
Preakness	2 00
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	\$79 94

CLASSIS OF PELLA.

Eddyville, 1st	\$5 00
Leighton, Ebenezer...	11 00
New Sharon, 1st	11 53
Otley	32 15
Pella, 1st	81 00
Pella, 2nd	15 00
Pella, 3rd	10 00
Prairie City	5 00
Sully, Bethany	1 50
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	\$172 18

CLASSIS OF PHILADELPHIA.

Addisville	\$11 30
Blawenburgh	2 24
Churchville	8 60
Neshanic	8 53
Philadelphia, 1st	17 50
Philadelphia, 4th	25 00
Philadelphia, 5th	5 00
Philadelphia, Talmadge	
Memorial	20 00
Three Bridges	2 50
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	\$100 67

CLASSIS OF PLEASANT
PRAIRIE.

Alexander	\$2 41
Bristow	1 00
Buffalo Center	4 00
Chapin, Zion	3 00
Dumont	4 57
Forreston	25 00
German Valley, Silver Creek	10 00
Kings, Elim	4 00
Oregon, Ebenezer	12 00
Young People's Society Stout	12 00
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	\$77 98

CLASSIS OF POUGHKEEPSIE.

Beacon	\$48 21
Hopewell Junction....	19 08
Millbrook	1 25
New Hackensack	6 77
Poughkeepsie	14 03
Upper Red Hook	3 03
Miss Anna Van Voort, Fishkill, N. Y.....	2 00
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	\$94 37

CLASSIS OF RARITAN.

Bedminster	\$42 71
High Bridge	5 60
Lebanon	5 37
North Branch	1 25
Peapack	2 59
Raritan, 1st Somerville	9 26
Raritan, 2nd Somerville	95 81
Raritan, 3rd Somerville	3 51
Raritan, 4th Somerville	10 00
Readington	5 17
South Branch	5 25
Whitehouse, Rockaway	2 00
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	187 92

CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER.

Blooming Grove	\$5 00
Chatham	4 50
Ghent, 1st	3 03
Ghent, 2nd	2 00
Greenbush	5 00
Stuyvesant	4 50
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	\$24 03

CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER.

Buffalo	\$10 00
Clymer, Abbe	13 20
Clymerhill	3 86
East Williamson	9 91
Marion, 1st	5 00
Marion, 2nd	12 80
Newark, Arcadia	5 00
Ontario	5 00
Palmyra	8 50
Rochester, 1st	3 00
Rochester, 2nd	20 30
Williamson	7 26
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	\$103 83

CLASSIS OF SARATOGA.

Boght	\$5 00
Buskirks	4 00
Cohoes	4 65
Greenwich	10 53
Schuylerville, Saratoga	5 49
Watervliet, West Troy	
No.	7 65
Wynantskill	1 00
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	\$38 72

CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.

Altamont	\$5 77
Guilderland, Helder- berg	10 63
Niskayuna	16 00
Schenectady, 1st	5 00
Schenectady, 2nd	10 00
Schenectady, Bellevue. ant	30 00
Schenectady, Wood- lawn	20 00
Scotia	2 65
	17 00
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	\$117 05

CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE.

Cobleskill	\$2 04
Howes Cave, 2nd	5 00
Lawyersville	3 00
Sharon Center, N. Y...	4 00
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	\$14 04

EAST CLASSIS OF SIOUX.

Archer	\$7 05
Bigelow	2 00
Boyden	40 00
Firth	1 00
Free Grace	30 00
Holland, Nebr.	25 00
Hospers	10 00
Ireton	1 00
Matlock	6 25
Newkirk	10 00
Orange City, 1st	10 00
Pella, Nebr.	14 37
Rock Rapids	6 70
Sanborn, 1st Holland..	8 09
Sheldon	20 00
Junior Catechumens, Alton	5 00
Catechumens, Luctor..	5 00
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	\$201 46

WEST CLASSIS OF SIOUX.

Carmel	\$15 00
Chandler	5 00
Doon, 1st	7 58
Edgerton	15 50
Friesland	15 00
Inwood	5 44
Leota, Bether	10 00
Maurice	33 36
Rock Valley	16 86
Roseland	9 16
Sandstone	3 45

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Silver Creek	14 25
Sioux Center, Central..	9 55
Sioux Center, 1st	30 00
Steen	19 93

\$210 13

CLASSIS OF ULSTER.

Kingston, 1st	\$23 31
Kingston, Comforter..	15 00
Saugerties	10 00
Saugerties, High Woods	2 50

\$50 81

CLASSIS OF WESTCHESTER.

Hawthorne	\$2 68
Mt. Vernon	1 56
Peekskill, 1st Van Nest	5 00
Tarrytown, 1st	10 00
Yonkers, Mile Square..	7 50
Yonkers, Park Hill....	22 40

\$49 14

CLASSIS OF WISCONSIN.

Alto	\$10 00
Cedar Grove	10 00
Hingham	14 50
Milwaukee, 1st	10 00
Oostburg	10 00
Preston, Greenleafston.	17 92
Randolph, 2nd	14 53
Ringle, Forestville....	5 60
Sheboygan Falls	19 20
Sheboygan Falls, Gibbsville	10 00
Vesper	8 45
Waupan	12 00
Christian Endeavor Society, Gibbsville	8 00

\$150 20

BIBLE SCHOOLS.

CLASSIS OF ALBANY.

Albany, 1st	\$29 60
Albany, 5th Holland..	26 68
Coeymans	10 88
Jerusalem	3 00
Lake Katrine	4 09
Selkirk, 1st Bethlehem	5 00
Westerlo	4 00

\$82 65

CLASSIS OF BERGEN.

Hackensack, 3rd	\$4 00
Harrington Park	10 00
Westwood	10 60

\$24 00

CLASSIS OF SOUTH BERGEN.

Bayonne, 5th St.....	\$10 00
Jersey City, 1st Van Vorst	2 64
Jersey City, Bergen....	9 09
Jersey City, Lafayette	25 00

\$46 73

CLASSIS OF CASCADES.

North Yakima	\$5 00
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CLASSIS OF DAKOTA.

Monroe, Sandham Memorial	\$10 00
Springfield, Emanuel..	25 00

\$35 00

CLASSIS OF GERMANY.

George Hope	\$5 00
Lennox, 2nd	4 86
Little Rock, Salem....	10 00
Sibley	10 57

\$30 43

CLASSIS OF GRAND RIVER.

Grand Rapids, 4th....	\$5 00
Grand Rapids, Beverly	8 10
Grandville	13 91

\$27 01

CLASSIS OF HOLLAND.

Holland, Ebenezer	\$8 00
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CLASSIS OF HUDSON.

Livingston, Linlithgo..	\$17 23
Philmont	5 00

\$22 23

CLASSIS OF ILLINOIS.

Chicago, Emanuel	\$5 00
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CLASSIS OF KINGSTON.

Stone Ridge, Lyonsville	\$6 00
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NORTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND.

Astoria, German 2nd..	\$2 67
Elmhurst, German ...	5 00

\$7 67

SOUTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND.

Brooklyn, Greenwood Heights	\$10 00
Brooklyn, New Utrecht	38 14
Brooklyn, Ocean Hill..	2 50
Brooklyn, South	15 00

\$65 64

CLASSIS OF MICHIGAN.

Grand Rapids, Bethany	\$5 00
Grand Rapids, Immanuel	5 00

\$10 00

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY.

Amsterdam, 1st	\$6 67
Canajoharie	3 76
Hagaman	11 64
Herkimer	10 00
Utica, Christ	10 28
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	\$42 35

CLASSIS OF NEWARK.

Belleville	\$8 48
Irvington, Florence Ave.	10 98
Plainfield, Trinity	15 00
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	\$34 46

CLASSIS OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

Belle Mead, Pleasant View	\$5 00
Bound Brook	12 00
East Millstone	19 26
Griggstown	2 00
Metuchen	6 07
New Brunswick, 1st..	10 00
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	\$54 33

CLASSIS OF NEW YORK.

Brighton Heights	\$8 15
Mariners Harbor	16 25
New York, 34th Street	25 00
New York, Bethany Memorial	10 00
New York, Elmendorf Chapel	8 56
New York, Fourth....	15 00
New York, Knox Memorial	5 00
New York, Middle Collegiate	21 16
New York, St. Nicholas	5 00
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	\$114 12

CLASSIS OF ORANGE.

Newburgh, American..	\$14 32
Port Jervis, West End	2 00
Walden	13 00
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	\$29 32

CLASSIS OF PALISADES.

Jersey City, Central Ave.	\$12 50
New Durham, Grove..	50 00
North Bergen	50 00
West Hoboken, 1st....	10 00
West New York, Trinity	5 00
Woodcliff	12 00
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	\$139 50

CLASSIS OF PARAMUS.

Garfield	\$5 00
Ho-Ho-Kus	5 00

Park Ridge, Pascack..	1 00
Passaic, North	19 05
Paterson, 2nd	25 00
Piermont	5 00
Ridgewood	20 00
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	\$80 05

CLASSIS OF PASSAIC.

Little Falls, 1st	\$10 60
Mountain Lakes	10 00
Pompton	5 00
Pompton Plains	2 29
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	\$27 29

CLASSIS OF PELLA.

New Sharon, 1st.....	\$5 83
Otley	10 00
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	\$15 83

CLASSIS OF PHILADELPHIA.

Churchville	\$3 31
Feasterville	8 51
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	\$11 82

CLASSIS OF PLEASANT PRAIRIE.

Aplington	\$10 00
Kings, Elim	2 00
Meservey	10 00
Peoria	15 75
Wellsburg	5 00
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	\$42 75

CLASSIS OF POUGHKEEPSIE.

Poughkeepsie	\$10 00
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CLASSIS OF RARITAN.

Lebanon	\$2 00
Raritan, 2nd Somerville	10 00
Raritan, 3rd Somerville	5 00
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	\$17 00

CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER.

Nassau	\$4 00
Schodack	5 00
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	\$9 00

CLASSIS OF ROCHESTER.

Palmyra	\$10 00
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CLASSIS OF SARATOGA.

Schuylerville	\$5 73
Watervliet, West Troy North	5 00
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	\$10 73

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CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.	
Schenectady, 1st	\$9 37
Schenectady, Wood-lawn	3 50
Scotia	5 00
	<hr/> \$17 87

CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE.	
Berne, 1st	\$11 82
Middleburgh	4 40
Sharon Springs	8 00
	<hr/> \$24 22

CLASSIS OF ULSTER.	
Saugerties, Flatbush..	\$2 50

CLASSIS OF WESTCHESTER.	
Hastings	\$5 00
Montrose, Cortlandtown	3 17

Tarrytown, 1st	5 00
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CLASSIS OF WISCONSIN.	
Waupun	\$10 00
ANONYMOUS	\$1 00
Cornelius Dykstra, Wakefield, R. I.....	\$2 80

RECAPITULATION.	
382 Churches	\$4,918 58
109 Bible Schools	1,085 85
3 Mission Societies ..	19 14
2 Catechumen Class- es	10 00
3 C. E. Societies....	22 00
6 Personal	21 80
2 Anonymous	6 00
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507	\$6,083 37

STATEMENTS OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES, APRIL 30, 1919

ASSETS.

CASH—

In Bank	\$3,753 03	
Business Agent's Account.....	224 80	
On Hand	100 00	
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INVESTMENTS—

U. S. Liberty Bond.....	\$50 00	
Mortgages	2,000 00	
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ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	\$7,518 94
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INVENTORIES—

Merchandise	\$6,345 94	
Office Stationery	327 01	
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FURNITURE AND FIXTURES	549 22
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TOTAL ASSETS	<hr/>	\$20,868 94
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LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL.

NOTES PAYABLE	\$3,200 00
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ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	4,418 75
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TOTAL LIABILITIES	<hr/>	\$7,618 75
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CAPITAL—May 1, 1918.....	\$13,733 81
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GAIN FOR THE YEAR.....	2,716 38
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16,450 19

LESS GOOD WILL.....	3,200 00
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NET CAPITAL, April 30, 1919.....	<hr/>	13,250 19
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\$20,868 94

BUSINESS AGENT'S STATEMENT, YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 1919

INCOME.

Profits on sales (including Donations).....	\$10,099 16
Contributions—Bible Schools	1,085 85
Contributions—Miscellaneous	4,997 52
Discounts	59 21
Interest on Bank Balances	81 31
Interest on Investments	158 53
Royalty	13 50
Christian Intelligencer—	
Subscriptions received	\$10,941 54
Contributions	400 00
The Ralph W. Voorhees Chris. Intel. Se-	
curity Fund	5,000 00
Advertising Revenue	2,846 25
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	19,187 79
Total Income	<hr/>
	\$35,682 87

EXPENSES.

Donations	\$546 97
Salaries	5,970 02
Rent	1,800 20
Postage and Expressage	2,123 51
Insurance	72 45
Telephone	79 44
Miscellaneous	1,586 88
Depreciation on Furniture and Fixtures.....	59 96
Advertising	649 27
Reformed Church Progress Campaign.....	54 00
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	\$12,942 70
Educational Department—	
Salaries	\$3,507 45
Traveling Expenses	288 40
Miscellaneous	319 14
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	\$4,114 99
Christian Intelligencer—	
Printing	\$6,468 36
Paper	2,227 95

Salaries	4,729 29	
Commissions	265 53	
Insurance	8 14	
Miscellaneous	1,432 44	
Rent	343 60	
Drury Estate	400 00	
Bad Debt	33 49	
	-----	\$15,908 80
Total Expenses		<u>\$32,966 49</u>
Total Gain		\$2,716 38

CHRISTIAN INTELLIGENCER.

SUMMARY OF ACCOUNT.

Net Deficit 1917-1918	\$5,010 92
Net Deficit 1918-1919	<u>1,287 52</u>
	\$6,298 44
Purchase price Christian Intelligencer Company \$3,600.00.	
Estate of J. B. Drury. Note assumed by Board of	
Publication and Bible-school Work payable in nine	
years \$400.00 each year. First payment paid August	
21, 1919	<u>400 00</u>
	\$6,698 44
Received from Mrs. Ralph W. Voorhees July 8, 1918....	<u>5,000 00</u>
	\$1,698 44

TREASURER'S CASH ACCOUNT, YEAR ENDED APRIL 30th, 1919

1918.		
May 1—Balance		\$4,192 59
May Receipts	\$4,891 78	
June "	7,348 72	
July "	11,067 02	
Aug. "	4,781 53	
Sept. "	5,433 53	
Oct. "	6,343 72	
Nov. "	8,370 54	
Dec. "	7,744 66	
1919.		
Jan. "	8,558 82	
Feb. "	8,410 79	
Mar. "	7,260 25	
Apr. "	10,890 22	
	<hr/>	91,101 58
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		\$95,294 17

1918.		
May Payments	\$7,035 53	
June "	7,094 66	
July "	5,030 31	
Aug. "	7,769 08	
Sept. "	8,412 22	
Oct. "	6,975 72	
Nov. "	6,755 44	
Dec. "	7,298 31	
1919.		
Jan. "	7,223 98	
Feb. "	7,345 83	
Mar. "	8,940 66	
Apr. "	11,659 40	
	<hr/>	\$91,541 14
		<hr/>
April 30, 1919, Balance		\$3,753 03

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